Ghusl of Mayyit

Ghusl for a dead body is similar to ghusl of Jumua’. Ghusl is first given to the head and neck, then the right side of the body, and then the left side. The body must be washed with soap and water to remove any unclean items before starting the ritual of ghusl. One who performs the ghusl on the dead body must do it with the intention of Qurbatan Ilallah (To seek the pleasure of Allah).

3 ghusl are given to the mayyit in the following order:

1. Water with Sidr Leaf (water mixed with the leaves of the Sidr (Lote) tree).
2. Water with Camphor.
3. Pure water.

Note

The quantity of “Sidr” leaves and camphor should neither be so much that the water becomes mixed (Mudhaaf), nor so little that it may be said that “Sidr” leaves and camphor have not been mixed in it at all.

Mustahab Acts for Ghusl

1. A minimum of 2 persons required for ghusl. One should pour water whilst the other should help to turn the mayyit.
2. Soles of the mayyit should face qibla.
3. Ghusl to be given in a covered building.
4. Persons giving ghusl should be on the right side of the mayyit.
5. Persons giving ghusl should ask for forgiveness for the mayyit and recite duas.
6. The mayyit should be dried after giving the 3 wajib ghusl.

Hunoot

After having given ghusl to the mayyit it is wajib to give Hunoot with the niyya of Qurbatan Ilallah.

- Hunoot means to apply some camphor on the 7 parts of the body which are placed on the ground during sjida beginning with the forehead.
- It is not necessary to rub the camphor; it must be seen on these parts.
- The camphor used should be powdered and fresh.
- It is mustahab to apply camphor on the nose tip also.