

## Forgotten number of missed days of Ramadhaan

[Fataawa Noor 'ala al-Darb.]

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

**Question:** There is a woman who has to make up days from Ramadhaan, but she is not sure whether it is four days or three. Now she has fasted three days; what does she have to do?

**Shaykh al-Uthaymeen** (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)<sup>1</sup> said: If a person is not sure about how many days he has to make up, then he should go with the lower number. So if a woman or a man is not sure whether she or he has to make up three days or four, then he or she should go by the lower number, because the lower number is more certain and anything more than that is subject to doubt, and in principle, one does not owe any days (except those one is certain about). However, in order to be on the safe side he or she should make up this day about which there is some uncertainty, because if it was obligatory, then the obligation will have been fulfilled, and if it was not obligatory then it will be a voluntary action and Allaah, may He be exalted, will not cause the reward of any good deed to be lost.

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<sup>1</sup> (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him