45 - One goes out for salaat il-istisqa’ and it rains

the question

What should one do if people go out to congregate for salaat il-istisqa’ (prayer asking for rain) and it rains?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If the people went out for the prayer for rain (istisqa’) or intended to do so and it rained, then there can be two cases:

1. If they were prepared to go out and it rained before they left, then they should thank Allah (subhanahu wa ta‘ala) for His blessings and not leave.
2. If they had already come out, they should pray in thankfulness to Allah (subhanahu wa ta‘ala).(Al-Mughni, 2/296)