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

Shaykh Abdul-Lateef bin Ali as-Sultaani said, “In the Spring of 1977 I met a distinguished scholar who was serving Islam and freeing the Sunnah from things falsely attributed to it, uncovering the authentic hadeeth from the weak and false.

I asked him, ‘Noble Shaykh, do you give any lectures where you direct and advise and counsel the people?’ So he responded saying that the Ministry of Religious Affairs in their city had prevented him from teaching in the mosques unless he produced a permit from the [main] Ministry of Religious Affairs allowing him to do so. He said so when I applied for said permit the Ministry refused it.

I said to him that this is something common in Arab countries in general and that I didn’t know if it was the same in non-Arab countries. So I asked him, what then will you do?

He said, ‘I’ve gone back to writing and publishing and printing books and in this is service to this pure religion and I hope that Allaah grants me success in that and accepts it.’

That Shaykh was Muhammad Naasirud-Deen al-Albaanee, may Allaah protect him.”

[Sihaamul-Islam, p. 144.]