Question 38) - What is Tayammum linguistically and in Shari'ah?

A: Tayammum linguistically means to intend or aim. In Shari'ah it is to use sand and what is of the earth to in a special manner to remove the two Hadath with the intention of Taharah. The origin of this is Allaah?s Words, "If you do not find water then make Tayammum with pure earth. Then wipe your face and your arms with it." [al-Maaidah:6]

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