



"GRATEFULNESS UPON THE FAVOR OF INDEPENDENCE"

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: فَادْكُرُونِي أَدْكُرْكُمْ وَأَشْكُرُوا لِي وَلَا تَكْفُرُونَ¹
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ.
اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا
الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ. قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى:
يَأَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.

Dear blessed Muslims,

Let us altogether strive to increase our *imaan* and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. Moreover, we must manifest our thankfulness for the favors bestowed by Allah upon all of us. Among them is the blessing of independence.

The *khutbah* this time will expound on **"GRATEFULNESS UPON THE FAVOR OF INDEPENDENCE."**

Dearest audience,

Independence is from among the bounties of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* upon us. It means to become free from any form of oppression and tyranny, shackles and enslavement, whether directly or not. The early spark that ignited the spirit of freedom in our nation originated from the thoughts and aspirations of our homeland's prominent scholars. Islam teaches us that mankind is only entitled to and must surrender its will as slaves to Allah Alone.

History has recorded that our homeland was once colonized for 446

¹ al-Baqarah 2:152



years, from 1511 until 1957. *Alhamdulillah*, now we are living in a nation that has been independent for 61 years. We have a homeland that is peaceful. There is no other homeland for us and no other nation for us, for this is the land that we have inherited from our forefathers.

The question begs: How do we truly become grateful upon this bounty of independence?

Islam calls upon its adherents to remain thankful upon the favors bestowed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Those who are grateful upon the *ni'mah* (bounties) will be granted with more, as He mentions in verse 7 of soorah Ibraaheem:

وَإِذْ تَأَذَّنَ رَبُّكُمْ لَئِن شَكَرْتُمْ لَأَزِيدَنَّكُمْ^ط وَلَئِن كَفَرْتُمْ إِنَّ عَذَابِي لَشَدِيدٌ



“And [remember] when your Lord proclaimed, ‘If you are grateful, I will surely increase you [in favor]; but if you deny, indeed, My punishment is severe.’”

Blessed audience,

It is undeniable that independence is truly a great bounty upon us all. In an independent nation, its citizen has the freedom to seek livelihood in a peaceful environment, able to perform *'ibaadah* (worship) with *khushoo'* (humility) without constraints, seeking knowledge and skills at all times, and the liberty to roam around without restrictions.

It is our very responsibility to fulfill this independence by nurturing both physical and spiritual development. Among them is to firmly solidify the *'aqeedah* and implementing the *Sharee'ah*, enhancing human development



through sound knowledge and skills. We must also strive together in building the economy of the *ummah*, as in the saying "Up the hill we climb together, down the valley we descend together" until our nation becomes prosperous, and we become citizens that are dignified and respected.

Respected audience,

Gratefulness upon the favors of Allah will cause us to attain a comfortable life, and attain the forgiveness and *hidaayah* (guidance) of Allah. It was narrated in a *hadeeth* from Sakhbarah that Rasulullah ﷺ said:

مَنْ أُعْطِيَ فَشَكَرَ، وَابْتُلِيَ فَصَبَرَ، وَظَلَمَ فَاسْتَغْفَرَ، وَظَلِمَ فَغَفَرَ، ثُمَّ سَكَتَ،
فَقَالُوا: يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ، مَا لَهُ؟ قَالَ: أُولَئِكَ لَهُمُ الْأَمْنُ وَهُمْ مُهْتَدُونَ

"Whoever is grateful when he is given [a blessing], and patient when he is afflicted [with hardship], and seeks forgiveness when he oppresses, and forgives when he is oppressed." Then he (ﷺ) became silent. They [the Companions] asked him, "What is it, O Messenger of Allah?" He (ﷺ) replied, "They have attained forgiveness and they are guided."

(at-Tabraani)

Those that are truly ungrateful and waste the favors of Allah will incur the punishment from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* as He mentions in verse 45 of soorah al-Hajj:

فَكَأَيِّن مِّن قَرْيَةٍ أَهْلَكْنَاهَا وَهِيَ ظَالِمَةٌ فَهِيَ خَاوِبَةٌ عَلَىٰ عُرُوشِهَا وَبِئْرٍ مُّعَطَّلَةٍ
وَقَصْرِ مَشِيدٍ ﴿٤٥﴾

"And how many a city did We destroy while it was committing wrong - so it is [now] fallen into ruin - and [how many] an abandoned



well and [how many] a lofty palace."

This indicates that oppression is a mischief that becomes the cause of destruction for a nation. Character (*akhlaaq*) development is among the key factor in the development of a country. Indeed, the nobility of a nation is manifested within its *akhlaaq*. So, when the *akhlaaq* is corrupted, the nation becomes destroyed.

Blessed audience,

Islam requires us to unite in defending the religion and build the nation with full *imaan* and *taqwa*. If this matter can be fulfilled in a good manner, the doors of *barakah* (blessings) and *rahmah* (mercy) of Allah will open up. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 96 of soorah al-A'raaf:

وَلَوْ أَنَّ أَهْلَ الْقُرَىٰ ءَامَنُوا وَاتَّقَوْا لَفَتَحْنَا عَلَيْهِم بَرَكَاتٍ مِّنَ السَّمَاءِ وَالْأَرْضِ
وَلَٰكِن كَذَّبُوا فَأَخَذْنَاهُم بِمَا كَانُوا يَكْسِبُونَ ﴿٩٦﴾

"And if only the people of the cities had believed and feared Allah, We would have opened upon them blessings from the heaven and the earth; but they denied [the messengers], so We seized them for what they were earning."

Dearest Muslims,

In commemorating the 61st anniversary of our country's independence, we must eradicate all forms of colonization that dominates the mind, *akhlaaq*, and cultural values that truly contradicts the 'aqeedah and *Sharee'ah* of Islam.

Dear beloved audience,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us derive lessons and guidance as in the following:



1. It is *waajib* (obligatory) upon the Muslim *ummah* to have certainty that all of the bounties that we enjoy are gifts from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, including our nation's independence.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must instill the love for the country within itself, the family, and society, in preserving that independence remains within our hands.

3. The Muslim *ummah* must fulfill its independence with solid *imaan*, utmost *akhlaaq*, and beneficial knowledge, as well as continuous righteous deeds.

4. The Muslim *ummah* must defend its independence from negative elements that can harm the sanctity of the religion and the sovereignty of the nation.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
وَضَرَبَ اللَّهُ مَثَلًا قَرْيَةً كَانَتْ ءَامِنَةً مُطْمَئِنَّةً يَأْتِيهَا رِزْقُهَا رَغَدًا مِنْ كُلِّ مَكَانٍ
فَكَفَرَتْ بِأَنْعُمِ اللَّهِ فَأَذَاقَهَا اللَّهُ لِبَاسَ الْجُوعِ وَالْخَوْفِ بِمَا كَانُوا يَصْنَعُونَ



“And Allah presents an example: a city which was safe and secure, its provision coming to it in abundance from every location, but it denied the favors of Allah. So Allah made it taste the envelopment of hunger and fear for what they had been doing.”

(al-Nahl 16:112)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ
وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.



أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ،
فَأَسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.

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THE SECOND KHUTBAH

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ ۖ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear blessed audience,

Once again, I would like to remind all of us to always have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and realize that Islam teaches us to remain moderate in every actions and deeds. As Muslims, we are to manifest noble *akhlaaq*, having utmost personality and attitude for Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم was sent to perfect *akhlaaq* and as mercy for the entire mankind and the worlds. Therefore, let us always increase our *salawaat* and *salaam* upon our Prophet Muhammad صلى الله عليه وسلم. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions:

“Indeed, Allah confers blessing upon the Prophet, and His angels [ask Him to do so]. O you who have believed, ask [Allah to confer] blessing upon him and ask [Allah to grant him] peace.”

(al-Ahzaab 33:56)

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.



اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ يَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةَ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةَ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَعَكُّوْ أَمِيرِ شَاهِ، ابْنِ السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنِّكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا، مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمُؤَظَّفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

O Allah, You are the Lord that is All Mighty, we are grateful to You for having bestowed upon us *rahmah* and *ni'mah*, that we are able to continue the effort in empowering the Muslim *ummah*, as an advanced state, prosperous and providing welfare, under the auspices and leadership of our Ruler as the Head of Islamic affairs in this state.

Hence, we sincerely beseech You, O Allah, strengthen our *imaan* and creed according to that of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, accept our righteous deeds, cultivate our soul with good mannerisms, unite our hearts, bestow upon us *rizq* with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us



from disasters and save us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as *Qadiyaani*, deviant teachings such as *Shee'ah*, and other teachings deemed as deviating from Islamic teachings or contradicting the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*. O Allah, open up our hearts in performing the five daily prayers, fulfilling *zakaat* through *Lembaga Zakat Selangor* (Selangor Zakaat Board), making *waqf* and *infaaq* of our wealth to *Perbadanan Wakaf Negeri Selangor* (Selangor Waqf Corporation), and *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor).

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّاتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا آتِنَا
فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ
وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿١٠١﴾
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لَهُ عَلَىٰ نِعْمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ ۗ
يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.
