

**“ZAKAAT, HAPPINESS THROUGH GIVING”**

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: يَمْحَقُ اللَّهُ الرَّبَّوَا وَيُرِييَ الصَّدَقَاتِ وَاللَّهُ لَا يُحِبُّ كُلَّ كَفَّارٍ أَثِيمٍ

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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: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.

Dear blessed Muslims,

In conjunction with the noble day of Friday, I would like to remind myself and blessed audience, let us strive in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by performing all of His Commands and avoiding His prohibitions. May Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* bless our lives in this world with *ni'mah* (favours), *tawfeeq* (aid), and *hidaayah* (guidance) that are everlasting, as well as attaining success in this world and the Hereafter.

Today, I would like to invite fellow congregation to internalize upon a *khutbah* titled **“ZAKAAT, HAPPINESS THROUGH GIVING.”**

Dear blessed audience,

The *'ibaadah* (act of worship) of *zakaah* was ordained upon the Muslims in the 2nd Hijri year. It is a command from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* that will produce humans that are deeply concerned with the difficulties endured by fellow human beings. The *'ibaadah* of *zakaah* will nurture love and the spirit of *ithaar* (preferring others over oneself) so that the favours from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* will be enjoyed together.

Dear beloved Muslims,

Indeed, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* truly loves His obedient slaves that He bestows increase in *rizq* (provision) in return for the wealth that was purified through *zakaat*. The replacement promised by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* will be definitely better. This was mentioned by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* in verse 39 of Soorah *Sabaa'*:

قُلْ إِنْ رَبِّي يَبْسُطُ الرِّزْقَ لِمَنْ يَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ وَيَقْدِرُ لَهُ وَمَا أَنْفَقْتُمْ مِنْ شَيْءٍ فَهُوَ مُخْلِفُهُ وَهُوَ خَيْرُ الرَّازِقِينَ

¹ al-Baqarah 2:276



"Say, "Indeed, my Lord extends provision for whom He wills of His servants and restricts [it] for him. But whatever thing you spend [in His cause] - He will compensate it; and He is the best of providers.""

Respected audience,

For those that remain *istiqamah* (steadfast) in fulfilling *zakaat*, in the Hereafter they will be admitted into Paradise through a special gate that is purely dedicated for those that were generous and sincere in fulfilling their *zakaat*. This was mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiallahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

وَمَنْ كَانَ مِنْ أَهْلِ الصَّدَقَةِ دُعِيَ مِنْ بَابِ الصَّدَقَةِ

"...And he who is from those who give in charity (i.e. zakaat) will be called from the gate of charity..."

(al-Bukhaari)

Therefore, I implore upon every beloved attendees that while we are in the month of December as the final month for the year of 2018, let us fulfill our *zakaat* of wealth with the Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS). Please ensure that we have verified the wealth possessed such as our annual income, business income, savings in the bank account or *takaaful*, *halaal* stocks or investments made, gold and silver worn or kept, and harvested rice yields. Perhaps within such wealth, there are ones that have fulfilled the conditions that necessitate *zakaat* as an obligation. Hopefully with our diligence and concerns upon the *Sharee'ah* of Allah, it will bring about blessings, happiness, and increased *rizq* that are manifold in the time to come.

Respected Muslims,

Take heed! Whoever refuses to fulfill their *zakaat*, in reality they have intentionally placed their soul into destruction in this world and the Hereafter. This was mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiallahu 'anh*, where Rasulullah صلى الله عليه وسلم said:

السَّخِيُّ قَرِيبٌ مِنَ اللَّهِ قَرِيبٌ مِنَ الْجَنَّةِ قَرِيبٌ مِنَ النَّاسِ بَعِيدٌ مِنَ النَّارِ،
وَالْبَخِيلُ بَعِيدٌ مِنَ اللَّهِ بَعِيدٌ مِنَ الْجَنَّةِ بَعِيدٌ مِنَ النَّاسِ قَرِيبٌ مِنَ النَّارِ،
وَالْجَاهِلُ السَّخِيُّ أَحَبُّ إِلَى اللَّهِ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ مِنْ عَابِدٍ بَخِيلٍ

"Generosity is close to Allah, close to Paradise, close to the people and far from the Fire. Stinginess is far from Allah, far from Paradise, far from the people and close to the Fire. The ignorant generous person, is more beloved to Allah than the worshiping stingy person."

(at-Tirmidhi)

Furthermore, stinginess is a reprehensible trait that is dispraised and loathed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Those that are misers and stingy will be thrown in the Fire of *Hutamah*, which is prepared specifically for them. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verses 1-7 of Soorah al-Humazah:



وَيْلٌ لِّكُلِّ هُمَزَةٍ لُّمَزَةٍ ۝ الَّذِي جَمَعَ مَالًا وَعَدَّدَهُ ۝ ۝ تَحْسَبُ أَنَّ مَالَهُ
أَخْلَدَهُ ۝ ۝ كَلَّا لَيُنْبَذَنَّ فِي الْحُطَمَةِ ۝ وَمَا أَدْرَاكَ مَا الْحُطَمَةُ ۝ ۝ نَارُ اللَّهِ
الْمُوقَدَةُ ۝ ۝ الَّتِي تَطَّلِعُ عَلَى الْأَفْئِدَةِ ۝ ۝

“Woe to every scorner and mocker. Who collects wealth and [continuously] counts it. He thinks that his wealth will make him immortal. No! He will surely be thrown into the Crusher (al-Hutamah). And what can make you know what is the Crusher? It is the fire of Allah, [eternally] fueled, which mounts directed at the hearts.”

Dear beloved Muslims,

The Selangor *Zakaat* Board would like to congratulate and thank those that have performed their *zakaat* through them. For everyone’s information, up until June 2018, the total number of Muslims within Selangor that have fulfilled their *zakaat* obligation through the Selangor *Zakaat* Board is 244,000 individuals. This means that only 24% of the overall total number of Muslims within Selangor that are qualified to give *zakaat*. However, this percentage has increased when compared to last year where only 18% of the Muslims fulfilled their *zakaat* obligation via the Selangor *Zakaat* Board throughout 2017. Therefore, I implore fellow congregation to fulfill the obligation of *zakaat* of wealth so that our wealth becomes cleansed and blessed by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala*.

Even though this amount is minimal, the Selangor *Zakaat* Board remains consistent in ensuring that the funds collected from *zakaat* will be fully utilized in disbursing them to the eight rightful categories of *asnaf* (recipients). Among the efforts and contributions that have been implemented are:

1. The Selangor *Zakaat* Board has channeled various form of monthly *zakaat* aid to more than 50,000 poor and needy *asnaf* families, which includes subsistence aid, schooling aid, health treatment, housing, and many more.
2. The *zakaat* fund was also channeled monthly to more than 8,600 *asnaf muallaf* (Muslim converts) in the form of subsistence aid, protection, health, and Islamic education.
3. Up until August 2018, more than 8,400 students have received full funding from the Selangor *Zakaat* Board through the *zakaat* scholarship assistance. The aid involved various academic and religious majors that included students at the certificate, diploma, and bachelor levels within local universities, as well as assistance for students that are continuing their studies in the Middle East.
4. For this year as well, the Selangor *Zakaat* Board has disbursed funds to more than 200 mosques and 1,800 suraus, which intends to cover the construction, development, consolation, and monthly allowances for the *imaams*.
5. In empowering the *tahfizh* (Qur’anic memorization institute) education in the state of Selangor, for this year, the Selangor *Zakaat* Board has made an overall contribution of more than RM6.1million to 3,410 *tahfizh* students in the form of monthly



allowances and also an overall contribution of RM680,000 to 200 *huffaazh* (memorizers of al-Qur'an) under the *lthbat Hafazan* program, in appreciation of the *huffaazh*'s efforts and diligence in memorizing al-Qur'an.

Truthfully, there are many other contributions that have been disbursed to *zakaat* recipients within the state of Selangor.

Therefore, I would like to remind fellow audience once more, let us fulfill our *zakaat* obligation through the Selangor *Zakaat* Board. Imagine if the remaining 76% of Muslims that are qualified to give *zakaat* actually fulfill their *zakaat* with the Selangor *Zakaat* Board. Definitely greater contributions can be disbursed to the Muslims within this state.

Dearest audience,

To end the *khutbah* today, I implore and invite fellow Muslims to internalize upon the following lessons as guidance and guidelines in our lives:

1. *Zakaat* is a command from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* that must be fulfilled.
2. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* has promised various great rewards and virtues in this world and the Hereafter to His slaves that are sincere in fulfilling the *'ibadah* of *zakaat*.
3. Let us avoid stinginess for it will destroy our future in this world and the Hereafter.
4. Let us fulfill our *zakaat* obligation through the Selangor *Zakaat* Board, so that the collected funds can be utilized in preserving the welfare of *zakaat* recipients, thus elevating the dignity of the Muslim *ummah* in achieving excellence in this world and the Hereafter.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
الَّذِينَ إِنْ مَكَّنَّهَمْ فِي الْأَرْضِ أَقَامُوا الصَّلَاةَ وَآتَوُا الزَّكَاةَ وَأَمَرُوا بِالْمَعْرُوفِ
وَنَهَوْا عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ ۗ وَلِلَّهِ عَاقِبَةُ الْأُمُورِ ﴿٤١﴾

"[And they are] those who, if We give them authority in the land, establish prayer and give zakaah and enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong. And to Allah belongs the outcome of [all] matters."

(al-Hajj 22:41)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ
وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ 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 وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَأَنْصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِينِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمْدَانِيَّةِ،



جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاعُورِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلاَحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعُوْنَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِيُوَلِّيَّ عَهْدِ سَلَاعُورِ، تَعْكُو اَمِيرِ شَاهِ، اِبْنِ السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِي اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْتِكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ عُمْرَهُمَا، مُصْلِحَيْنِ لِلْمُوْظَفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

Ya Allah, Engkaulah Tuhan yang Maha berkuasa, kami bersyukur kehadiran-Mu yang telah mengurniakan kami rahmat dan nikmat, sehingga kami dapat meneruskan usaha ke arah memperkukuhkan negara umat Islam, sebagai negeri yang maju, sejahtera dan berkebakikan dibawah naungan dan pimpinan raja kami sebagai ketua agama Islam di negeri ini.

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 اَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ اَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ اِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا اِنَّا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةٌ وَفِي الْاٰخِرَةِ حَسَنَةٌ وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ
عِبَادَ اللّٰهِ، اِنَّ اللّٰهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْاِحْسَانِ وَاِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٥١﴾
فَاذْكُرُوا اللّٰهَ الْعَظِيْمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوْهُ اَعْلَىٰ نِعْمِهٖ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاَسْأَلُوْهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهٖ
يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللّٰهِ اَكْبَرُ وَاللّٰهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.


