



## ERADICATING DRUG ADDICTION IS A COLLECTIVE DUTY



I would like to seize this golden opportunity on this blessed day of Friday, to remind myself and everyone present to always strive in increasing our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala

with full diligence in fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain His blessings, His Pleasure, and His protection in this world and the Hereafter.

Today's khutbah will expound on the title: "Eradicating Drug Addiction Is A Collective Duty."

Suffice to say that we are all aware of the fact that drug addiction is the nation's number one enemy. Islam forbids each and every Muslim from approaching towards deeds that are

despicable and detrimental to one's well being. The ruling and prohibition on the usage of drugs becomes haraam based on the daleel (proof) that is derived from the qiyaas (analogy) with khamr

(intoxication). Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala mentions in al-Qur'an: "O you who have believed, indeed, intoxicants, gambling, [sacrificing on] stone alters [to other than

## Allah], and divining arrows are but defilement from the work of Satan, so avoid it that you may be successful. " (al-Maa'idah 5:90)

Since Islam always ennoble its adherents and promotes healthy living, hence strict and severe measures have been decreed so that every individual will not be lured into destruction.

Drugs have a detrimental effect upon the emotion and intellect of its users. Those that are addicted to drugs will become negligent and forget about themselves, their religion, families, and

their actual world, only to be immersed in their fantasy and delusion. Furthermore, drugs will tarnish the purity of the soul and destroy the akhlaaq, morality, values, and the dignity of the

individual, families, and society, all due to the ills of drug abuse. The issue of drug abuse and addiction has reached a very serious and critical level, such that it was declared as

"the nation's number one enemy" 31 years ago, and today it still loom as the nation's number one enemy. There are many negative consequences that are due to drug addiction.

It can cause negative impact upon the safety, economy, and social aspect of the nation. In terms of economy, drugs will have implications on the cost of addiction, cost due to productivity loss,

increased costs in enforcement, rehabilitation, prevention, and its like, that are all at the expense of the government in safeguarding the universal harmony of the Muslim ummah.

News reported by daily newspapers and other mass media outlets have indicated that the effect of drug addiction upon public safety is very alarming. Criminal activities such as robbery,

theft, stealing, and murder that are all related to drugs are terrifying, which can further weaken the unity within society and impede the society's development. In addition, it can destroy the

family institution and community relations. Marriage becomes severed, ruining the sincere ambition of the parents, causing separation and violence amongst family members

and also community members. Islam truly considers the deep reverberating effect of drugs in destructing social stability within the Muslim ummah.

Because stemming from drug addiction, it then spreads to the family institution, the society, and eventually the entire nation. If it is not properly addressed and prevented,

then this conundrum will result in the disintegration of the Muslim ummah. Obviously, the drug addict is further away from the religion for when the mind and body are overtaken by

the drug effect, he or she will neglect the very responsibility as the slave of Allah and instead becomes the slave of the drugs.

As members of the society, we must always remind each other regarding the peril of drugs. Hence, as parents, we must always emphasize to our children, whether they are in their teen or

childhood, to always abstain from unhealthy elements and behavior that can lead them to the abyss of destruction. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"O you who have believed, protect yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is people and stones, over which are [appointed] angels, harsh and severe;

## they do not disobey Allah in what He commands them but do what they are commanded."

(at-Tahreem 66:6)

Nowadays, the youth, teens, and children make up the majority of those involved in drug addiction. There are 326 drug addicts that are below the age of 21 recorded by the National Anti-Drug Agency

for the state of Selangor. For 2013, the overall total of drug addicts stands at 5438. This situation is very alarming because this is the group that will become future leaders who will

determine the direction of the nation someday. As parents, our roles are very significant and it becomes waajib upon us to ensure that this young generation is free from the threat of drugs.

Therefore, let us begin with preventive measures from early on by implanting in their minds to always stay away from drugs. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"If you avoid the major sins which you are forbidden, We will remove from you your lesser sins and admit you to a noble entrance [into Paradise]."

(an-Nisaa' 4:31)

The dilemma of drug abuse and addiction can be curbed from early on if we monitor and educate our children with love and affection, and to remain vigilant of their actions and whereabouts

with their friends so they will not be easily influenced and resorting to matters that will get them entangled with drugrelated problems. Instill adequate Islamic knowledge and seeds of imaan

within our children so that they will become capable in warding off matters that can damage them.

Moreover, NGOs, the society, and also community leaders must all exercise

greater roles in eradicating this evil phenomenon from continuing to spread. Everyone must aid one another in eliminating this widespread evil, and do not easily concede in the war

against drugs. Instead, we should always support each other in whatever means and method in the efforts of prevention especially among the young generation. Allah Subhaanahu

## Wata 'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"... And cooperate in righteousness and piety, but do not cooperate in sin and aggression..."

(al-Maa'idah 5:2)

1- Let us all work together in eradicating the drug dilemma in this nation before it destroys the country and shatter the harmony within the society.

- 2- As parents, we must always be in the know of our children's activities and movements.
  - 3- We must report to relevant authorities especially the National Anti-Drug Agency

- (AADK) regarding any drugrelated activities that takes place.
- 4- Community leaders must be serious in curbing the severe issue of drug addiction.

"Satan only wants to cause between you animosity and hatred through intoxicants and gambling and to avert you from the remembrance of Allah and from prayer. So will you not desist?"

(al-Maa'idah 5:91)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الأَيَاتِ وَالذَّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلاوَتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيْمُ. أَقُولُ قُوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُوْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الأحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتَ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ

O Allah, You are the Almighty Lord, we are grateful unto You for having bestowed upon us Mercy and Blessings, nourishing us to strive to continue in strengthening the Muslim nation especially the state of Selangor, as an advanced, progressive, peaceful, and benevolent state.

We beseech and beg You, Ya Allah, to strengthen our imaan, increase our good deeds, strengthen our unity, increase our provision, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, nourish our soul with beautiful akhlaaq, guide us to the Path that is Pleasing to You,

protect us from Your severe tribulations such as the long drought, severe flooding, disease outbreak, violence and instability, poverty, and others, so that our land will become more peaceful and blessed.

Oh Allah, we ask You to open up the hearts of the Muslim ummah especially in Selangor, to fulfill their zakaat obligation as You had decreed in al-Qur'an. Bless the lives of those who have fulfilled their zakaat obligation, loving and caring for the poor and needy.

Purify their wealth and soul so that they will live according to that which pleases You. Protect the poor and needy from disbelief and everlasting poverty. Allaahummaa ameen



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