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I would like to first remind myself and call upon my blessed audience, to strive in increasing our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

Indeed, the most noble ones in the Sight of Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala are those with utmost taqwa for it is the parameter that determines one's status with Allah Subhaanahu

Wata 'aala. Let us have istiqaamah (steadfastness) in implementing all of the teachings from Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala and the commands from Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi

wasallam. By obeying all of the commands of Allah and His Messenger, insha Allah we will be among those whom He loves, attaining salvation in this world and the Hereafter.

Today, I would like to invite fellow audience to comprehend upon the meaning of the khutbah titled "The Perfection Of The Sharee'ah."

The Islamic Sharee'ah is defined according to its terminology as rulings and regulations revealed or prescribed by Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala through His Noble

Messengers, to be implemented for the well-being of humans, all creations, and the entire mankind. Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentions in al-Qur'an:

"Then We put you, [O Muhammad], on an ordained way concerning the matter [of religion]; so follow it and do not follow the inclinations of those who do not know." (al-Jaathiyah 45:18)

Hence, the perfection of the Sharee 'ah encompasses all aspects of Islamic teachings which include matters of 'aqeedah, akhlaaq, and legislation.

The Messengers 'alayhimussalaam were sent by Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala to mankind with a clear objective that is to complete mankind's lives by fulfilling completely the

requirements of the Sharee'ah. The very example of fulfilling all of the decrees and regulations of Allah has been manifested by Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam, 50 and we

as the ummah of Rasulullah must follow them as is. There is no doubt, excuse, and reason to not emulate the example or qudwah ar-Rasool sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam.

We must listen, obey, and implement. That is the true characteristic of the Muslim ummah that truly loves Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam.

Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam had conveyed the risaalah for 23 grueling years. Throughout that period, many examples, models, actions, methods, regulations, sacrifices,

struggles, challenges, hindrances, solutions, and successes that were evident in his life sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam. One great outcome was the multitudes of noble characters

produced, namely his Companions radiyAllaahu 'anhum ajma 'een, who had translated and implemented the tarbiyyah of Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam in their lives.

The *risaalah* of Islam that Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam brought was successful in raising a group of individuals within the Muslim ummah that thoroughly understood the

true purpose of this life. They had certainty that this world only serves as a bridge that connects to the Hereafter which is everlasting with retribution and various bounties that are

eternal. The perfection of the Sharee 'ah was actually completed during the time of Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam. This is in line with what Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala mentioned in

al-Qur'an: "... This day I have perfected for you your religion and completed My favor upon you and have approved for you Islam as religion..." (al-Maa'idah 5:3)

The implementation of the Sharee 'ah during the time of Rasulullah sallAllahu 'alayhi wasallam was then continued by the Companions during their khilaafah. Similarly during

the khilaafah of Bani Umayyah, 'Abbaasiyyah, Faatimiyyah, and 'Uthmaaniyyah where they continued the implementation of the Sharee'ah within the

administration of the state that they became successful in creating a peaceful state, blessed by Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala. We as the Muslim ummah of today should also aspire for

such implementation. May Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala grant us the strength to do so in the best of manner.

The major source or reference for the Sharee 'ah has been unanimously agreed by the Muslim scholars as being from al-Qur'an and as-Sunnah, while its supporting (secondary) sources are

ijmaa '(consensus) and qiyaas (deductive analogy). This only means that we must hold firm to these sources while implementing the Sharee'ah.

Indeed, the objective of implementing the Sharee'ah is to create an atmosphere of fairness, that is honest, transparent, sincere, and having taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wata 'aala.

The significant aspects in the Sharee 'ah of Islam are to safeguard five matters, namely: 1- Protecting the religion. 2- Preserving life.

3- Protecting the intellect (*'aql*).
4- Protecting the lineage.
5- Protecting wealth and properties.

In other words, these are better and commonly known as Magaasid ash-Sharee 'ah or the higher objectives of the Sharee 'ah. Insha Allah I shall briefly explain those five matters.

First: Protecting the religion As an example, Islam severely punishes the one who consciously apostated with the capital punishment. This intends to preserve the

dignity and sanctity of Islam. All matters that corrupts the religion, 'aqeedah, or causing apostasy which stems from various forms of munkar (evil), fasaad (transgression), and

ma'siyyah (disobedience) should be curbed and prevented. There are various ideologies and practices that could destroy one's 'aqeedah which must be prevented, namely secularism,

pluralism, liberalism, and many other religious cults that could corrupt the 'aqeedah of the Muslim ummah. Everyone especially the ruler must fulfill their obligations in ensuring that

Islamic affairs are always placed up high with utmost priority.

Second: Preserving life For the prohibition of killing, the ruling stipulates for the murderer to be killed. This intends to preserve lives. Islam does not allow any actions which involves

killing or suicide, kidnapping, mugging, abuses, oppression, bloodshed, or harming one's surrounding, all of which are impermissible. Therefore, sufficient efforts must be

done in curbing any of those incidents from occurring. Failure in providing stability will cause the nation to face difficulties, ultimately resulting in unrest.

Third: Protecting the intellect This example would be the prohibition of consuming intoxicants, punishable with flogging, intending to safeguard the mind.

The human mind must be well cared for and nurtured with noble values. Hence, it should be kept away from elements that can destroy the mind and thoughts. Do not become entangled with

impermissible acts according to the Sharee 'ah such as drug abuse, glue sniffing, consuming intoxicants, hallucinating, and avoiding entertainment which leads to negligence.

We must empower this generation with activities that will increase their authentic knowledge and Islamic understanding in developing a generation that is smart, intelligent,

positive thinking, and visionary, who will build and advance the nation to a higher level.

Fourth: Protecting the lineage For this example, let us look at the prohibition of committing zinaa (fornication) which is punishable by stoning or

flogging, intending to preserve the dignity and lineage so that the newborn child is legitimate. Anything that corrupts the akhlaaq such as molestation or degrading others must be

prevented. Avoid deeds that violate the Sharee'ah and human nature such as fornication, sodomy, khalwah (seclusion with non-mahram), rape, infidelity, incest,

cohabitation without *nikaah*, foundling, killing newborn, promiscuity, slandering others, backbiting, and many more. If they are left unaddressed, then there will be chaos in the social

system, causing rupture and collapse of the social structure. A good lineage must be well preserved for the sake of protecting the dignity and sanctity of the human being, in producing a

community that is wellmannered and having noble *akhlaaq*.

Fifth: Protecting the wealth The example of cutting the hand for those convicted of stealing, actually intends to protect the wealth of all. Islam teaches its adherents to

not commit acts that are against the Sharee'ah such as oppression, lying, bribery, usurping, stealing, mugging, becoming involved with ribaa, cheating, and others. In this regard, Islam has

inculcated the principle of *"al-'adl wal ihsaan."* Islam heavily emphasizes upon the implementation of a justice system that is comprehensive so that none will be unjustly treated. Islam greatly abhors

and curses those that accumulate wealth through unlawful means. Through these explanations, it only means that those five matters are to be taken as top priority by all; whether the

society or ruler, upholding them as principles in building the society and nation, in safeguarding, preserving, and ensuring that each member of society has the opportunity to live in 1.95

comfort, safety, and tranquility. Allah mentions in al-Qur'an: "And We have not sent you, [O Muhammad], except as a mercy to the worlds." (al -Anbiyaa' 21:107)

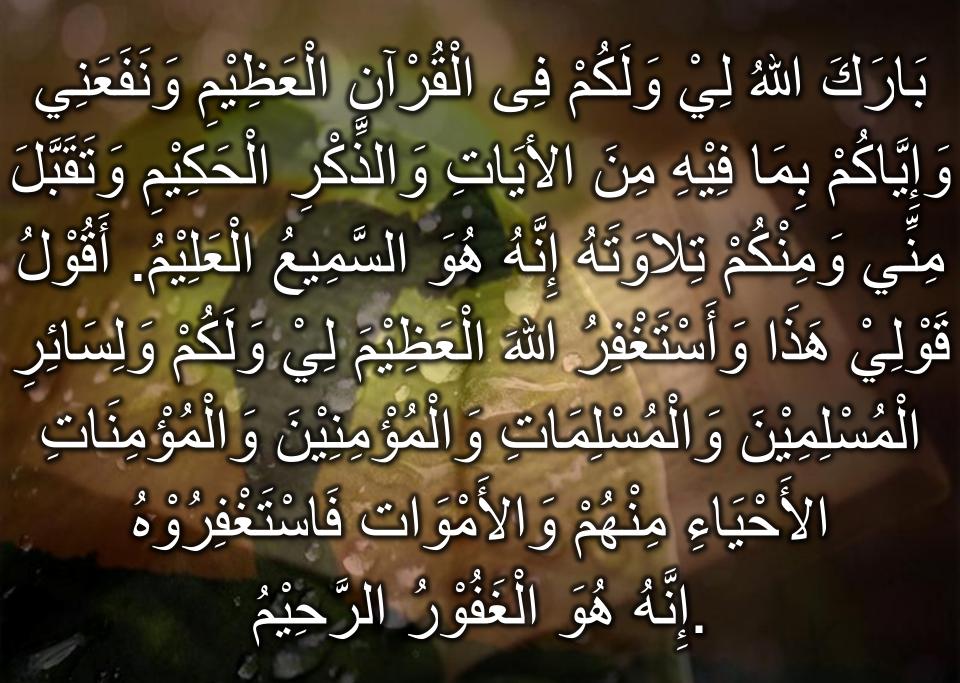
The conclusions that we can derive from today's khutbah are: 1- The Muslim ummah must properly comprehend and master the concepts of Islamic Sharee 'ah and

Maqaasid ash-Sharee 'ah. 2- The Muslim ummah must fully accept the Sharee'ah with certainty that Islamic laws provide the best system for all.

3- The Muslim ummah must unite in supporting all efforts for the implementation of Sharee 'ah on Allah's earth. 4- Leaders of all levels must remain diligent in resolving societal issues according to

the Sharee'ah. Therefore, we must have certainty that the implementation of the Sharee 'ah will incur blessings and security upon our society and nation.

"Then We will surely relate [their deeds] to them with knowledge, and We were not [at all] absent." (al-A'raaf 7:7)



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.

O Allah, we implore upon you, keep us steadfast upon the methodology of Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaa'ah, and protect us from 'ageedah and practices that are misguided and deviated such as extreme Shee'ism, Qaadiyani, and others.

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.

and also those that have given away and endowed (waqf) their wealth to the Selangor Islamic **Development Trust Fund (Tabung** Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor) with eternal rewards until the Hereafter.

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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