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I implore all of us to strive in increasing our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His

prohibitions. Let us increase our remembrance of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala and salawaat and salaam upon our beloved Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله), always striving to practice all of his

sunnah. May they all be of benefit to us in this world and the Hereafter. Today's khutbah intends to encourage us in "Utilizing ICT For Da'wah."

Information and communications technology or commonly known as ICT is a form of technology that can facilitate us in collecting, storing, and spreading information at a very fast

rate to others. Hence, utilizing ICT will actually aid and simplify our daily tasks. As Muslims, we must benefit from the sophistication of ICT for the well-being of our

lives in this world and the Hereafter. Among the main benefit of ICT is that it provides a vital medium for da'wah, while at the same time it provides an avenue for us to avert and refute all

deviated ideologies. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala mentions in al-Qur'an: "And who is better in speech than one who invites to Allah and does righteousness and says,

"Indeed, I am of the Muslims.""

(Fussilat 41:33)

Giving *da 'wah* is a responsibility and duty upon every Muslim, regardless of

one's stature or location, for this duty is a definite upon us Muslims. The du'aat (plural of da'ie) are highly encouraged and advised to utilize advanced ICT tools in their da'wah work whether

in the mosques or suraus. With the ICT medium, we can partake together in fulfilling our duty for da'wah, whether through setting up websites, blogs, and others that are Islamic-

oriented. With those websites and blogs, it can facilitate all of us in the effort of spreading da'wah Islamiyyah, especially through writings, as it was suggested by the Prophet (صلى الله)

to every Muslim individual in taking up a role in the work of da'wah, even if it was a very minor or simple effort. 'Abdullah ibn 'Amr ibn al-'As radiyAllaahu'anhuma

reported: Rasulullah (صلى الله Said: (عليه وسلم) "Convey from me even a verse of the Qur'an..."

(al-Bukhaari)

In this year alone, the number of internet users in this nation is expected to grow to 25 million, as compared to 18 million in 2012. This indicates clearly how rapidly increasing is the

utilization of ICT in our county. Among those users are Muslims that are ever thirsty for authentic Islamic knowledge while not having sufficient time to attend specific Islamic courses.

They would be more comfortable in attaining Islamic knowledge through ICT. Hence, this provides a platform for Muslim intellectuals to impart their knowledge to the masses.

Therefore, let us utilize our know-how and religious knowledge in spreading authentic knowledge via ICT, and inviting others to become closer to Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

Indeed, it is such a huge loss if the sophistication of ICT that we have today is not truly benefited for our religion, while the Muslims in this nation are yearning for Islamic knowledge.

It is undeniable that we have Muslims that are misusing and abusing ICT through Facebook, online forums, blogs, and others in spreading their doctrines and ideologies that are deviating

from true Islamic teachings. Spreading false news, rumors, slander, insults, and others of its like are all severely prohibited in Islam. Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala mentions in

al-Qur'an: "Indeed, those who like that immorality should be spread [or publicized] among those who have believed will have a painful punishment in this world

and the Hereafter. And Allah knows and you do not know."

(an-Noor 24:19)

Among the lessons that can be derived from today's *khutbah*

are:

1- The Muslim *ummah* must increase their knowledge of
ICT so as to widen the scope of *da wah* to the entire

mankind. 2- The Muslim scholars must benefit from the utilization of ICT, which includes creating software and applications for their da'wah effort.

3- ICT users must always remain wise and vigilant while utilizing ICT, always referring to learned Muslim scholars when coming across doubtful information with regard to Islam.

4- ICT users should not become too engrossed in ICT, causing them to become negligent and heedless in fulfilling Islamic obligations. Indeed, by fulfilling the responsibility of da'wah

whether verbally or through ICT media, it will help to make us all as the best nation in the Sight of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

"Invite to the way of your Lord with wisdom and good instruction, and argue with them in a way that is best. Indeed, your Lord is

most knowing of who has strayed from His way, and He is most knowing of who is [rightly] guided."

(an-Nahl 16:125)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ الأَيَاتِ وَالذَّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِر الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الأخباء مِنْهُمْ وَالأَمْوَات فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُوْرُ الرَّحِبْمُ

Once again, I would like to remind all of us that Islam teach its adherents to remain moderate in all actions and deeds. At the same time, the Muslims are to avoid any form of extremism in practicing and

upholding Islam. The Muslim ummah should become the exemplary nation that brings mercy to the entire universe.

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 especially in Selangor, as an

advanced state, prosperous, and providing welfare. Hence, we sincerely beseech you, O Allah, strengthen our imaan, accept our deeds, strengthen our unity, increase our *rizg*, enrich us with

beneficial knowledge, cultivate our soul with good mannerisms, return us to the path that you are pleased with, protect us from disasters and your severe trials, so that our nation will become more peaceful and filled with blessings.

O Allah, we sincerely beseech you, strengthen our beliefs according to the creed of Ahlus Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah, and protect us from deeds and 'ageedah that are astray such as the extreme Shee'is, Qadiyani, and other ideologies.

O Allah, open up our hearts in fulfilling the five daily prayers, performing zakaat, and other obligations. Bless those that have fulfilled their zakaat and loving the *fugaraa*' and masaakin, and those that have

made waqf and gave up their wealth for Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor **(Islamic Development Trust** Fund of Selangor) with continuous reward until the Hereafter.

O Allah, increase and widen the rizg of those that made wagf from their wealth with perpetual rewards until the Last Day.



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