



## FULFILLING THE OBLIGATION OF ZAKAAT

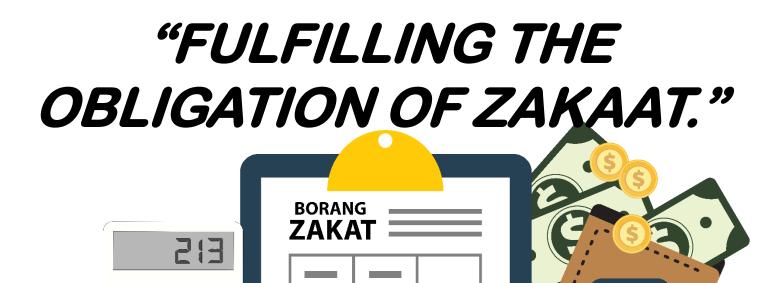


Let us altogether strive to increase our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions.

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May Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala bless our lives with ni'mah (blessings), tawfeeq (aid), and hidaayah (guidance) that are everlasting, as well as success in this world and the Hereafter.

Today, I would like to invite fellow audience to reflect upon a *khutbah* titled



**Before proceeding with** the khutbah, I would like to remind respected audience upon the reminder of Rasulullah in giving full attention to the khutbah being delivered. Do not speak

and pursue matters that are in vain, which includes using the mobile phone while the khateeb is delivering the khutbah.

Zakaat is an ordainment from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala that is legislated upon us all. Zakaat is divided into two types, namely zakaat alfitr (fitrah) and zakaat almaal (wealth).

Zakaat al-fitr or also known as 'zakaat of the self' is fulfilled in the month of Ramadaan for oneself and every dependent within one's household with stipulated conditions.

Zakaat of wealth is zakaat that is imposed upon the income, commerce, agricultural produce, gold, silver, savings, halaal investment, EPF, and takaful (cooperative) insurance.

Verily, the 'ibaadah of zakaah is one of the pillars of Islam that plays a vital role in safeguarding the welfare of the Muslims. This can be seen with the command for zakaah and

salaah (prayer) mentioned together 32 times in al-Qur'an. Therefore, as the slaves of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala, it is waajib (obligatory) for us to obey such decree in fulfilling zakaat.

Indeed, Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala has promised tranquility, happiness, and security to His slaves that fulfills their zakaat. Moreover, those that fulfill zakaat along with other

righteous deeds will enter **Paradise in a very** dignified manner. It was mentioned in a narration from Abu Hurayrah and Abu Sa'eed radiyAllaahu 'anhuma, whom mentioned:

The Messenger of Allah addressed us one day and said: "There is no one who offers the five (daily) prayers, fasts Ramadaan,

pays zakaah and avoid the seven major sins, but the gates of Paradise will be opened to him, and it will be said to him: Enter in peace." (an-Nasaa'i)

Aside from that, there are tremendous rewards and favors promised by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala for those that fulfill their zakaat obligation. Among them:

1. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala will bestow blessings and increase in rizq (provision) for those that fulfill their zakaat.

2. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala will purify the hearts of those that sincerely fulfill their zakaat, making them among those that are caring and loving towards fellow human beings.

3. Those that sincerely fulfill their zakaat will be loved by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala and also loved by all creations in the heavens and on earth.

Verily, those that are rightfully entitled to receive the zakaat aid have been determined by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in eight different groups.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 60 of soorah at-Tawbah:

"Zakaah expenditures are only for the poor and for the needy and for those employed to collect [zakaah] and for bringing hearts together [for Islam] and for freeing captives [or slaves] and for those

in debt and for the cause of Allah and for the [stranded] traveler an obligation [imposed] by Allah. And Allah is Knowing and Wise."

**Based on the verse** recited just now, the eligible recipients of zakaat, known as asnaf, are divided into eight categories. All eight categories of asnafhave its criterias determined

by the Selangor Fatwa **Committee, which has** been carried out by the Selangor Zakaat Board with great measures.

Therefore, I would like to remind fellow

congregation that the wealth that we possess has a portion that is waajib to be given in zakaat. Definitely within them are rights belonging to the asnafthat must be rendered to them.

If we do not fulfill them, it means that we have deprived the zakaat recipients from being granted their rights. Rasulullah and had reminded those that refuse to give zakaat

with the punishment of the Fire that is terrifying. In the hadeeth of Abu Hurayrah radiyAllaahu *fanh*, Rasulullah المربة said:

"If any owner of gold or silver does not pay what is due on him, when the **Day of Resurrection** would come, plates of fire would be beaten out for him; these would

then be heated in the fire of Hell and his sides, his forehead and his back would be cauterized with them."

(Muslim)

For our very information, based on the collection records at the Selangor Zakaat Board (LZS), the number of Muslims within this state that fulfilled their zakaat through LZS in 2017 was around

270,000 individuals, while the estimated number of **Muslims in Selangor that** are qualified to give zakaat is 1.5 million individuals. This means that the number of **Muslims that fulfilled their**  *zakaat* through LZS is only at 18% of the total number of Muslims qualified to give *zakaat*.

This year, the Selangor Zakaat Board has appointed

1,613 local 'aamil(zakaat collectors) whom serves under the supervision of mosques throughout **Selangor.** These appointed local 'aamil serves as the support group for LZS in

facilitating the affairs regarding the application for zakaat aid in every district. From the total amount, 741 local 'aamil have been granted authority by LZS to interview, investigate,

## and advise LZS regarding *zakaat* aid.

**Therefore**, the Selangor Zakaat Board would always remind those who are not eligible as asnaf to not take advantage

in becoming zakaat recipients while knowing that one is not qualified to receive them. Such behavior is a form of zhulm (oppression) and baatil (falsehood). The Prophet and mentioned

the threats regarding wealth that are not rightfully ours are actually part of the Hellfire. In the hadeeth of Abu Umaamah radiyAllaahu 'anh, the Prophet مَلْكَانَة said:

"He who appropriated the right of a Muslim by (swearing a false) oath, Allah would make Hell-fire necessary for him and would declare Paradise forbidden for him." A person said to him:

## "Messenger of Allah, even if it is something insignificant?" He ( replied: "(Yes) even if it is the twig of the araak tree."

(Muslim)

To end the khutbah, I would like to call and invite upon the Muslim ummah to internalize upon the following lessons, in serving as guidance in our lives:

1. The Muslim ummah must have certainty that zakaat is a command from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala that is legislated upon us and it is to be fulfilled once all of its requirements are met.

2. The Muslim ummah must fulfill its zakaat obligation for its reward is enormous, exclusively prepared by Allah for those fulfilling their zakaat obligation.

3. The Muslim ummah must fully acknowledge that refusal in fulfilling zakaat will be met with severe torment from Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

"O you who have believed, indeed many of the scholars and the monks devour the wealth of people unjustly and avert [them] from the way of

Allah. And those who hoard gold and silver and spend it not in the way of Allah - give them tidings of a painful punishment."

(at-Tawbah 9:34)





**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 and 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 and . 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)



**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 rizg 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. 0 Allah, open up our hearts in performing the five daily



prayers, fulfilling zakaat through the Selangor Zakaat Board, making waqf and infaaq of our wealth to Selangor Waqf **Corporation and Islamic Development Trust Fund of** Selangor.

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