



JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR

THE HIJRAH OF THE UMMAH, THE BLESSED INDEPENDENCE

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Let us altogether strive to increase our imaan and taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala with diligence, which is by fulfilling all of

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His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all be placed among the slaves of Allah that are successful in this world and the Hereafter.

This week, we will be celebrating two great events, namely the 62nd anniversary of Malaysia's **Independence** Day and Awal Muharram (Ma'al Hijrah) 1441 Hijri.

Today, I solemnly invite fellow congregation to internalize upon a *khutbah* titled

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When speaking about independence and the new Hijri year, the question that comes to mind is, what is it that we truly want to undertake hijrah (migration) for in this life? And what is it

that we really want to liberate in a nation that has already achieved independence? I earnestly think that anyone who wants to comprehend the basis of hijrah and internalize

upon the meaning of independence, then it behoove the person to uphold the true 'ageedah and that it must be internalized within all aspects of lives. This is because hijrah and

independence necessitate the combinations of sacrifice, determination, and continuous actions, as Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 20 of soorah at-Tawbah:

"The ones who have believed, emigrated and striven in the cause of Allah with their wealth and their lives are greater in rank in the sight of Allah. And it is those who are the attainers [of success]."

What is the meaning of freedom for us, if we are still unable to undertake hijrah for ourselves, from ridding off our ego, hasad (envy), and deep-seated grudge that are entrenched within our

souls, that we are even willing to sow the seeds of discord from the unity that has been solidly achieved. **Remember, only unity** that is solidly based on

Islam will serve as the sacred backbone in transforming the landscape of the blessed independence in our beloved homeland.

What is the meaning of liberty for us, if we are still unable to make hijrah. We take pride in the glorious history of Islam, but only to embrace it as collections for the history gallery.

However, the reality is that our lives continue to remain gloomy from the aspect of internalizing upon authentic religious teachings.

Many Islamic personal values have crumbled after getting hit by the 'globalization storm', causing the minds and souls of our generation to drown in delusion that supposedly the Islamic

lifestyle is no longer relevant with the passage of time. Furthermore, some of us had actually contributed in degrading Islam through vile and terrible humiliation. In the end, it gives rise to a

generation that is lost and influenced by ideologies and beliefs that are destructive to Islam such as pluralism, liberal thinking, secularism, atheism, and others.

It is only by making hijrah in embracing fully Islamic values that we will attain barakah (blessings) and the aid of Allah for our religion, people, and nation.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 96 of soorah al-A'raaf:

"And if only the people of the cities had believed and feared Allah, We would have

opened upon them blessings from the heaven and the earth; but they denied [the messengers], so We seized them for what they were earning."

Today we are living in a world that is always inflicted with various new conflicts that truly threatens the sovereignty of Islam and national security.

These threats, if not properly managed by all walks of society, will destroy the independence that we are enjoying today.

What is worrying to us is that there are certain quarters out there that are continuously spreading their deviant ideology in inciting hate and enmity amongst **Muslims. Though they**

have been declared through a fatwa as haraam (unlawful) in the state of Selangor, yet they remain active and continue to spread their perverted ideology, even gaining support and aid

from several communities.

Realizing upon this stark reality, significant measures such as strengthening one's authentic foundational

knowledge and unadulterated Islamic comprehension must be instilled within our **communities through** continuous explanation upon beliefs that contradicts authentic

Islamic principles.

Shaykh Dr. Yoosuf al-Qaradawi stated, "Education encompasses all aspects of life including the 'aql (intellect), heart,

physical, spiritual, akhlaaq, and behavior. It intends to shape the human being in facing the society that will always encounter good, evil, sweetness, and bitterness."

We are certain that the Muslim ummah that is knowledgeable and spiritually "alive" will not be easily duped by evil elements. I am worried that for many years we have celebrated the new

Hijri year with various themes and sloganeering, and yet the Muslim ummah remain weak in its religious knowledge and self-identity. This results in deficiencies in various matters such as crises

pertaining to 'ageedah, corrupted akhlaaq, the collapse of the family institution, and the destruction of the society.

While we await for the moment to commemorate the sacred date of the 62nd Independence Day and Ma'al Hijrah 1441H, let us not at all support and conspire with those that support 'asabiyyah

and racial bigotry.

It is not our intention, while we repeatedly and tirelessly raise and remind issues pertaining the Muslim ummah, that we are degrading other

religion, what more to even oppress them. But we would like to remind ourselves that we are an ummah that will be questioned for we are Ummah al-Ijaabah (a nation that has accepted

Islam) and ummah adda'wah (a nation entrusted to propagate Islam) in this country, and ummah al-khilaafah (a nation that leads). The rise and fall of Islam in this country truly lies

within the hands of the Muslims themselves.

Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 104 of soorah Aal-'Imraan:

"And let there be [arising] from you a nation inviting to [all that is] good, enjoining what is right and forbidding what is wrong, and those will be the successful."

To end the khutbah, I implore for all us to altogether take proactive measures in ensuring a brighter future for the ummah, by resorting to the following efforts:

1. The Muslim ummah must have certainty that defending our freedom and undertaking hijrah is a necessity.

2. The Muslim ummah must fully realize that unity is the foundation for the unification of the ummah.

3. The Muslim ummah must realize that hijrah and independence necessitates sacrifice and jihaad that are continuous.

"And those who strive for Us - We will surely guide them to Our ways. And indeed, Allah is with the doers of good." (al-'Ankaboot 29:69)





"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 barakah upon this state, which continues to remain advanced and prosperous, with its residents



united 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, and protect us from teachings that are outside the fold of Islam such as Qadiyaani



and deviant teachings such as Shee'ah. O Allah, Ya Rahmaan, Ya Raheem, unite our hearts, bestow upon us rizg with blessings, enrich us with beneficial knowledge, protect us from calamities. O Allah,



bestow upon us guidance in performing the five daily prayers in congregation, 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).**

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