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ZAKAAT IS AN OBLIGATION



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

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

His prohibitions. May
we attain the
pleasure of Allah
*Subhaanahu Wa
Ta'aala* in this world
and the Hereafter.

Today I will be discussing upon a *khutbah* titled ...

ZAKAAT IS AN OBLIGATION



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In 2020, Covid-19 has become the most difficult tribulation for all of us. According to various researches, hundreds of thousands of people have lost their jobs, while thousands of

businesses have been greatly affected, causing tremendous increase in unexpected poverty. The Selangor *Zakaat* Board (*Lembaga Zakat Selangor* or LZS) is forecasting a 20% increase in poverty

this year. All of these necessitate that we ask ourselves, what are the roles that we should mutually undertake? The government had strived their level best to minimize the effect

**of this pandemic, and
similarly with the role of
LZS and other welfare
institutions, always
striving to ensure the
devastating impact does
not cause the Muslims to
plunge into severe**

damaging quagmire.
Hence, what about our
very roles? Dearest
congregation, in the year
18 *Hijri*, while plagued
with the year of drought
(عَامُ الرَّمَادَةِ) in Madeenah,

‘Umar al-Khattaab
radiyAllaahu ‘anh had
asked the governors in
various provinces, such
as Yemen and Syria, to
collectively lighten the
burden of the people of
Madeenah. This shows

that Islam obligates us to practice the mutual aiding of one another, what more when there are those amongst us that are genuinely in dire need.

In the *hadeeth* of
'Abdullah bin 'Umar
radiyAllaahu 'anhuma,
Rasulullah ﷺ had said:

***“A Muslim is the brother
of a fellow Muslim. He***

should neither commit oppression upon him nor ruin him, and he who meets the need of a brother, Allah would meet his needs, and he who relieved a Muslim from hardship Allah would relieve him from the

hardships to which he would be put on the Day of Resurrection, and he who did not expose (the follies of a Muslim) Allah would conceal his follies on the Day of Resurrection.”

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

This is what we must do with full cognizance, which is extending our hands in reducing the burden of others. In Islam, *zakaat* is the most appropriate channel in fulfilling the need of

fellow Muslims. This is because *zakaat* ensures that only those that are genuinely afflicted by calamities will be aided. In this regard, LZS resorts to proactive measures in identifying

the poor, so as to aid them immediately.

Since the pandemic began, LZS has channeled *zakaat* aid amounting over RM232 million to affected Muslims, specifically to

more than 60,000 families
in Selangor, whom are
from among the poor,
needy, and *mu'allaf*
(Muslim reverts). In
reality, this is a very big
commitment and
prolonged in nature.

However, coinciding with the duration of the pandemic that is neverending, LZS acknowledges that the need for *zakaat* assistance has risen; while the available

zakaat funds are totally limited. It is worried that it will come to a point where the *zakaat* funds will no longer be able to meet these needs. At the same time, this pandemic phenomenon has

greatly affected various sectors of the economy. Selangor, as the most advanced state, has been directly affected in a very severe manner. Thousands of employees were laid off, and

many businesses have collapsed. In effect, *zakaat* collection is simultaneously impacted, and the most worrying thing is that these affected individuals can have their statuses

immediately changed to become among the *masaakeen* (needy). Just imagine, at a time when the *zakaat* collection is at the risk of plunging, yet the amount of poverty increases. Definitely

**this scenario is very
worrying to all of us.**

**Therefore, let us come
together to mutually aid in
dealing with this
phenomenon. Let us fulfill
our *zakaat* with the**

Selangor *Zakaat* Board
and have certainty that
every single cent of *zakaat*
given will serve as witness
on the Day of Judgment. In
the *hadeeth* of Abu Maalik
radiyAllaahu 'anh,
Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“And the salaah (prayer) is a light, and charity is a proof, and patience is illumination, and the Qur’an is a proof either for you or against you.”

(Muslim)

Indeed, in a predicament that greatly tests one's faith, let us plant deep within our hearts that the *zakaat* fulfilled is a seed of goodness that yields

tremendous reward,
as firmly stated by
*Allah Subhaanahu Wa
Ta'aala* in verse 277
of soorah al-Baqarah:

“Indeed, those who believe and do righteous deeds and establish prayer and give zakaah will have their reward with their Lord, and there will be no fear concerning them, nor will they grieve.”

In this verse, Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
had stated that those who
have fulfilled their *zakaat*
obligation will be
guaranteed by Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
in three matters,

namely attaining rewards
from Allah *Subhaanahu
Wa Ta'aala*, having no
fear concerning their
worldly life, and also
having no grief over it.
May our *zakaat* serve as
the reason for the

assistance of Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala
to be bestowed upon us,
increasing our *rizq*
(sustenance), sparing us
from calamities, and
facilitation in all of our
affairs in this world

and the Hereafter. The Selangor *Zakaat* Board is always ready to shoulder the *amaanah* (trust) upon your *zakaat*. Let us establish our *zakaat* through online payment for it is more secure and convenient.

According to the data furnished by LZS, up until 2019, the total number of Muslims having fulfilled *zakaat* through LZS is still low. From a total population of 3.9 million Muslims in Selangor,

only 311,000 have actually fulfilled their *zakaat*. If we are to take a modest figure, say approximately 1.6 million Muslims in Selangor that are qualified and eligible in giving *zakaat*,

it remains that the 311,000 figure is still very modest.

Even so, we are truly grateful to Allah

Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala,
for Selangor still recorded the highest collection

in Malaysia, with RM855 million collected.

Moreover, Selangor is also the state with the highest *zakaat*

distribution, which is comprised of almost 60,000 families of the

poor, needy, and *mu'allaf*,
as well as hundreds of
thousands of other *asnaf*
(eligible zakaat
recipients). In fact, as a
whole, all eight
categories of *asnaf* were
disbursed with an

**amount of RM868.2
million in Selangor. This is
this the proof of LZS'
commitment in ensuring
that *zakaat* is collected
and distributed
effectively.**

The conclusions
that we can derive
from the *khutbah*
this time are:

1. It is *waajib*
(obligatory) for the
Muslim *ummah* to
have certainty that
every obligations and
commands from Allah
that are fulfilled in

**this world will be
rewarded by Allah
*Subhaanahu Wa
Ta'aala* in the
Hereafter.**

2. It is *waajib* for the Muslim *ummah* to fulfil its *zakaat* obligation when all of its requirements are met.

3. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty that the fulfilment of *zakaat* will result in the aid from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* to be granted in their lives.

4. The Muslim *ummah* in the state of Selangor must fulfill its *zakaat* obligation through the Selangor *Zakaat* Board for they have been clearly proven as


**committed in
distributing *zakaat*
collection to qualified
*asnafs.***

“Those who spend their wealth [in Allah’s way] by night and by day, secretly and publicly - they will have their reward with their Lord. And no fear will there be concerning them, nor will they grieve.”


(al-Baqarah 2:274)




**THE SECOND
KHUTBAH**




**Let us unite upon the basis
of authentic Islamic
'aqeedah that is certain and
solidified. Let us unite upon
any situations, firmly united
facing any circumstances**



**and enemy's threat,
whether hidden or
apparent. The unity of the
Muslim *ummah* is the
foundational strength
towards the nurturing of**




***Khayra Ummah* (the best nation). Muslims are entitled to have differing views, what more in worldly matters, but the Muslim *ummah* must continue to**



**unite in *fikrah* (thoughts)
and understanding
according to the guidelines
of the *kalimah* (phrase)**


**لا إله إلا الله, affirmative
principles within al-Qur'an**




**and *al-Hadeeth*, as well as
sound Islamic brotherhood
principles.**




In our effort to break the chain of Covid-19, it necessitates every masjid attendee to remain disciplined and that it is *waajib* (obligatory) to abide




by the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) that has been outlined by JALS (Selangor Islamic Religious Department) specifically in performing the




***wudoo'* (ablution) at home, bringing one's own prayer mat, wearing the face mask while at the Masjid and *Surau*, and practicing social distancing.**




**Those that are unhealthy
or unwell are prohibited
from performing *salaah*
in the Masjid and *Surau*.**



**O Allah, You are the Lord
that is All Mighty, we are
grateful to You for having
bestowed upon us *rahmah*
and blessings upon this
state that continues to**



**prosper and progress, and
that its residents remain
united, under the auspices
and leadership of our Ruler
as the Head of Islamic
affairs in this state.**



**O Allah, protect us
from calamities and
pandemic such as
Covid-19.**



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DISEDIAKAN OLEH**

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