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بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Let us 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
all attain success in
this world and the
Hereafter.**

Let us ponder upon the *khutbah* today titled ...



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#bahagianpengurusanmasjid

Today commemorates
one week after all
masaajid, suraus
authorized for Friday
prayer, and all *suraus*
throughout the state of
Selangor have reopened.

Alhamdulillah, the Friday prayer and the five daily prayers can now be performed in congregation with specific conditions or SOP (Standard Operating Procedure). The Muslims

now have the very
opportunity to revive the
houses of Allah

Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala

with circles of
knowledge. May we
become among those
mentioned in verse 18

of soorah at-Tawbah,
what means:

***“The mosques of Allah
are only to be
maintained by those
who believe in Allah and***

the Last Day and establish prayer and give zakaah and do not fear except Allah, for it is expected that those will be of the [rightly] guided.”

**However, with such favor,
let us not become
heedless even for a
second, for the COVID-19
pandemic has yet to end.
Furthermore, we are still in
the Recovery Movement
Control Order (RMCO)**

phase. Remember, our very own negligence including our ego, laid back attitude, and undermining the decision that has been made will only incur harm.

Islam teaches its adherents to always remain vigilant and not neglectful. Those that are immersed in worldliness that they do not perform righteous deeds are actual losers and will

**truly regret it in the
Hereafter.**

**Negligence is also the
reason and cause for the
losses in the world that
can threaten the safety
and life of mankind.**

If a student becomes lackadaisical in his quest for knowledge, failure is the end result. If a driver is negligent while driving, fatal is the outcome.

Hence, our heedlessness in adhering the SOP,

even while enlivening the house of Allah, our health and lives will be jeopardized.

In the arduous effort of breaking the COVID-19 chain, after carefully

taking into account the views of experts within the medical field, the Muslim scholars and *ulil amri* (Muslim authority) have determined specific rulings and SOP guidelines for the entire

Muslim *ummah* in performing the *'ibaadah* (worship) of *salaah* (prayer) in congregation (*jamaa'ah*) in the *masaajid* and *suraus*.

Practicing social distancing, wearing the

the face mask, using one's own *sajaadah* (prayer mat), avoid shaking hands, and others are all intended none other than to preserve lives and avoid harm. This is because

the consideration for
the *fiqh* maxim الضَّرَرُ
يُزَالُ stating that harm
must be eliminated, is
heavily emphasized.

Unfortunately, there are those among us that are taking it lightly and belittling these rules and SOPs. There are still those that are having such unmindful and careless attitude. Without

providing any *daleel*
(religious proof) and
hujjah (valid reasoning),
they would bluntly state:
*We fear Allah more than
COVID-19!*

In reality, they are the ones not having the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. For the ones that truly fear Allah with true *taqwa* will always abide by the Islamic guidance.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* forbade us from plunging into destruction. He mentions in verse 195 of soorah al-Baqarah, as mentioned in the opening verse of the *khutbah*, what means:

***“...And do not throw
[yourselves] with your
[own] hands into
destruction [by
refraining]. And do good;
indeed, Allah loves the
doers of good.”***

The Prophet ﷺ had taught us to run away from the outbreak of infectious diseases. It was narrated from Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh* that the Prophet ﷺ said:

***“And one should
run away from the
leper as one runs
away from a lion.”***

(al-Bukhaari)

In addition, the Prophet
ﷺ also did not shake
hand with a man that
gave *bay'ah* (allegiance)
to him, in avoiding the
disease and the harm of
contracting it.

**‘Amru bin ash-
Shareed *radiyAllaahu*
‘anh reported on the
authority of his
father:**

There was in the delegation of Thaqeef a leper. Allah's Apostle (ﷺ) sent a message to him: "We have accepted your allegiance, so you may go."

(Muslim)

**This is the Islamic
guideline from the
guidance of al-Qur'an
and *as-Sunnah*.**

**Therefore, it is those that
fully abide by the SOP
that truly fear Allah
Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.**

Hence, when one deliberately neglect and does not comply with the regulations stipulated by the authority, it means that he or she does not fear Allah. Furthermore, one intentionally

**exposes oneself and
others to harm.**

**With our *imaan* (belief)
in *qadaa'* and *qadr*, it
does not at all deny
exerting efforts and**

**seeking means. Rather,
we are commanded to
hasten for treatment
whenever inflicted with
an illness. By the
permission of Allah The
Almighty, He is**

The Healer. It was
narrated from
Abu Dardaa'
radiyAllaahu 'anh that
the Prophet ﷺ said:

“Allah has sent down both the disease and the cure, and He has appointed a cure for every disease, so treat yourselves medically, but use nothing unlawful.”

(Abu Dawood)

Since no vaccine has been discovered for COVID-19 thus far and also medicinal cure that can prevent its infection, then all regulations and SOP would serve as the best vaccine and

**medicine for the time
being.**

**We are truly grateful that
by the will of Allah, our
nation is truly fortunate
as compared to other
nations. At a time when**

the positive cases in our country have dwindled, it is staggeringly increasing in other countries. Even more frightening is the total number of deaths recorded. This gratefulness necessitate

**us to continue to remain
vigilant, not
desensitized, not
feeling arrogant and
superior, in preventing
the emergence of a new
wave that is associated**

**with Islamic institutions
such as the masjid and
sura.**

**It is on this very basis that
the Muslim authorities
have stipulated certain
SOP in providing**

permission and consent
for *masaajid*, *suraus*
authorized for Friday
prayer, and all *suraus* to
be reopened. The
capacity for *masaajid* and
suraus authorized for
Friday prayer will surely

**remain limited in
accommodating large
congregations due to the
conditions and SOP
specified. Only those that
have registered and
obtained the attendance
card are deemed as**

waajib (obligatory) to attend the Friday prayer. As for others, they are considered as prevented, hence excused and not obligated to perform the Friday prayer. They are permitted by the *Shara'*

to replace it with the *Zhuhr* prayer. Those wishing to perform the *Zhuhr* prayer in the *surau*, they are to wait for 30 minutes so as to allow the Friday *khutbah*

**in the nearby masjid to
conclude.**

**Let us unite on the basis
of Islamic *'aqeedah* that
is certain and solidified.**

**Let us unite in all
situations,**

circumstances, and from the enemy's threats whether apparent or hidden. Muslim unity is the most basic strength towards the development of *Khayra Ummah* (the best nation). The Muslims

reserve the rights to disagree, what more in worldly affairs. However, the Muslim *ummah* must continue to unite in *fikrah* (thoughts) and understanding that coincides with the

*kalimah Laa ilaaha
illAllaah*, the principles
of affirmation within al-
Qur'an and *al-Hadeeth*,
and also Islamic
brotherhood principles
that are firm.

Similarly, the Muslim *ummah* must remain together and united in facing the COVID-19 pandemic that is still uncertain to this day. Hence, all masjid officers and committee members

that were given the
amaanah (trust) to
execute SOP
enforcement at their
respective *masaajid* and
suraus truly need solid
support from their
congregants and local

**communities with a
unified attitude and true
understanding of
everyone's roles. Let us
unite in comprehending
the directives
announced, remain**

**disciplined, patient,
steadfast, and resolute
within one's own
capacity in breaking the
transmission of COVID-
19.**

To end the *khutbah*, I would like to remind fellow audience again to take the following guidelines:

1. It is *waajib* upon the Muslim *ummah* to follow the Islamic guidelines and obey the decisions of *ulil amri* in matters that are good and not sinful.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must avoid all forms of destruction and harm upon itself and others.

3. The Muslim *ummah* must continue to make *dhikr* and *du'aa* (invocation) to Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* including

Qunoot Naazilah so
that the COVID-19
pandemic will be
lifted soon, and to
never sidetrack.

***“And remember your Lord
within yourself in humility
and in fear without being
apparent in speech - in
the mornings and the
evenings. And do not be
among the heedless.”***


(al-A‘raaf 7:205)




**THE SECOND
KHUTBAH**




In our effort to break the chain of Covid-19, it necessitate every masjid attendees 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.**



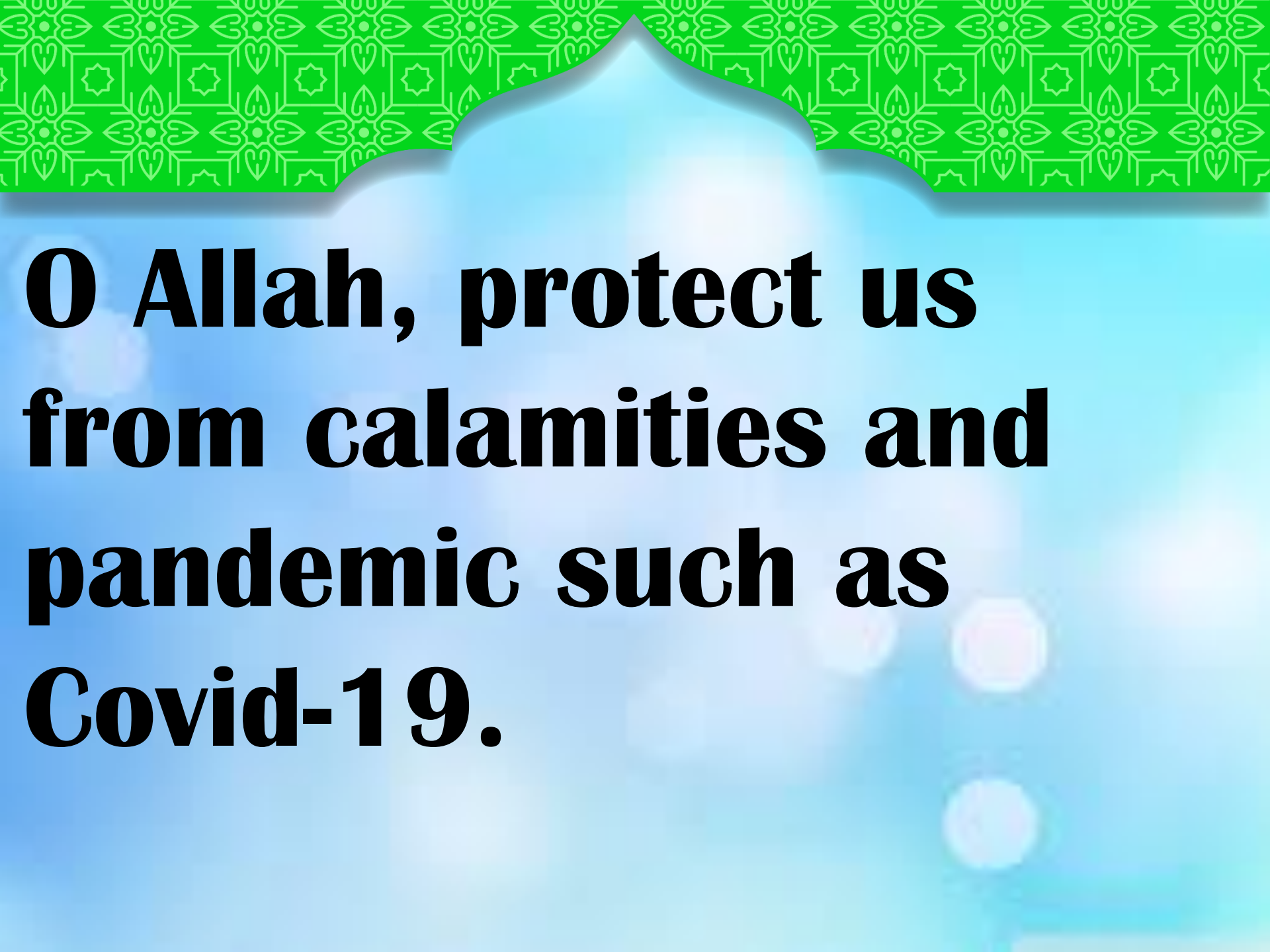
**Those that are unhealthy
or unwell are prohibited
from performing *salaah*
in the Masjid and *Surau*.**



**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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