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PRESERVING DIGNITY ON SOCIAL MEDIA



بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

Let us altogether strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah by abiding all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. With such determination

and *istiqamah*
(steadfastness) in
performing *'ibadah*
(worship), may we
become among slaves
having utmost *taqwa* in
the Sight of Allah.

Today, I will be expounding on the topic of ...

PRESERVING DIGNITY ON SOCIAL MEDIA



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The Islamic *Sharee'ah* that was revealed upon mankind has certain purpose and objectives. It is this purpose and objectives that are known as *maqasid ash-sharee'ah*. It intends to

bring about *maslahah*
(general benefit) and
reject harm in the human
lives. It is for this reason
that Islam is a religion
that prevents mankind
from committing harm
and destruction.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 54 of soorah al-An'aam:

“...Your Lord has decreed upon Himself mercy...”

Islamic law is from the mercy of Allah upon mankind. Everything that has been commanded will bring about *maslahah* for mankind, and everything that He forbade is to prevent harm from being

**inflicted upon human
beings.**

**Among the objectives
within the Islamic
Sharee'ah is to preserve
the dignity from anything**

that could disgrace and
destroy the image of the
Muslim or Muslimah.
Because of that,
whatever action that can
tarnish one's dignity
such as *qadhaf*, which is
accusing a chaste

Muslimah of committing adultery, denouncing, slandering, and exposing the fault of others and its like, are all prohibited so that human dignity is preserved.

The obligation to preserve dignity was mentioned clearly in the *hadeeth* of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu ‘anh*, where the Prophet ﷺ said:

“It is evil enough for a man to hold his Muslim brother in contempt. The whole of a Muslim is inviolable for another Muslim: his blood, his property, and his honor.”

(Muslim)

The borderless world today has witnessed the emergence of various websites and social media outlet that becomes a platform in seeking friendship and having discussions with

**fellow human beings,
with great ease and
instantly. Humans that
are located thousands of
miles away can easily
communicate with others
at such rapid speed.**

Today, with social media platforms such as Facebook, Blogspot, Instagram, Twitter, WhatsApp and many more, they have become a necessity within the human lives. Moreover,

around the clock there will be news, stories, as well as musings that are shared within those medium, in garnering attention from all acquaintances that had encountered the status shared.

Islam is not a religion that obstructs progress within the human lives, while on the contrary, Islam is a religion that calls for progress. However, Islam does not only prioritize progress from the aspect

of development and technology alone, but aspects of spirituality, human capital, and *akhlaaq* (character) are also greatly emphasized in Islam, in balancing with the external progress.

The current phenomenon whereby there is no longer confidentiality among social media users is like a disease that is rapidly spreading. Such phenomenon reveal that humans no longer

**possess shame and
bashfulness within
themselves. When there
is no longer shame,
then there is no more
safeguarding of honor
and dignity.**

We always read about social media users pleading for love in their uploaded status, lovey-dovey in the social media just to show their romantic relationship.

Moreover, there are even indecent images displayed, whether specifically intended for their sweethearts or for the general public.

This type of behavior truly reflects the damage inflicted upon the values and dignity of a Muslim. This is what is deemed as medium sans confidentiality, where all matters including intimate

issues are revealed in their uploaded status just to garner a high number of “likers”.

This is the matter that concerns us all for it

**truly reflects upon
human beings that are
devoid of civilization,
having no boundaries in
the matters of life and
socializing. How true
are the words of**

Prophet Muhammad
ﷺ mentioned in the
hadeeth of Abu
Mas'ood *radiyAllaahu*
'anh:

“Verily, from what was learnt by the people from the speech of the earliest prophecy is: If you feel no shame, then do as you wish.”

(al-Bukhaari)

Hence, we can see how mankind live without any feeling of shame within themselves, as if returning to the time where humans were living without civilization. Furthermore,

a civilization that is based solely on progress without the development of human capital is a civilization of ignorance (*jaahiliyyah*).

As a result of having no shame and bashfulness within, we see how loving couples would spew out flirtations through words that are arousing. Not to mention that social media has also become a

medium where people would curse and slander one another, even exposing the fault of their Muslim brethren, just to slaughter the dignity of those whom they do not like.

Whereas clearly, Allah has commanded us to conceal the fault of our Muslim brethren in public. Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu ‘anh* narrated that Prophet Muhammad ﷺ said:

“And whoever conceals the faults of a Muslim, Allah will conceal his faults in this world and in the Hereafter.”

(Muslim)

It is incumbent upon the Muslims to preserve their honor and the honor of their brethren, whether Muslims or not. Exposing the fault of others will cause enmity and disputes among mankind,

where it could even
cause *fitnah*.

Websites and social
media should be utilized
as mediums for *da'wah*
(calling to Islam) and

**increasing one's
knowledge, within the
context of fostering good
relationship with relatives
and friends. Successful
are the enemies when
they are able to keep the
Muslims inundated in**

worldly modernity to the point of losing their *imaan* (faith) and *taqwa*.

Several matters that must be given due attention in preserving dignity within the social media are:

1. It is *waajib* (obligatory) to cover the *'awrah* with perfection and not expose the *'awrah* in public.

2. Safeguard our language and utterances in our social media status. Do not expose the fault of others, create *fitnah*, insult others, and even making headway towards adultery.


3. Utilize the social media as a medium for *da'wah*, increasing one's knowledge, as well as strengthening *silaaturrahm* (relations) among Muslims.

“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.”

(Soorah an-Noor 24:19)



**THE SECOND
KHUTBAH**



Once more, I would like to remind all of us to always have the taqwa of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by guarding ourselves and our families from abominable deeds and disobedience against



Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.*

At the same time, we will continue to pray so that our country will always remain blessed and protected from all forms of threat, as well as contagions from the Covid-19

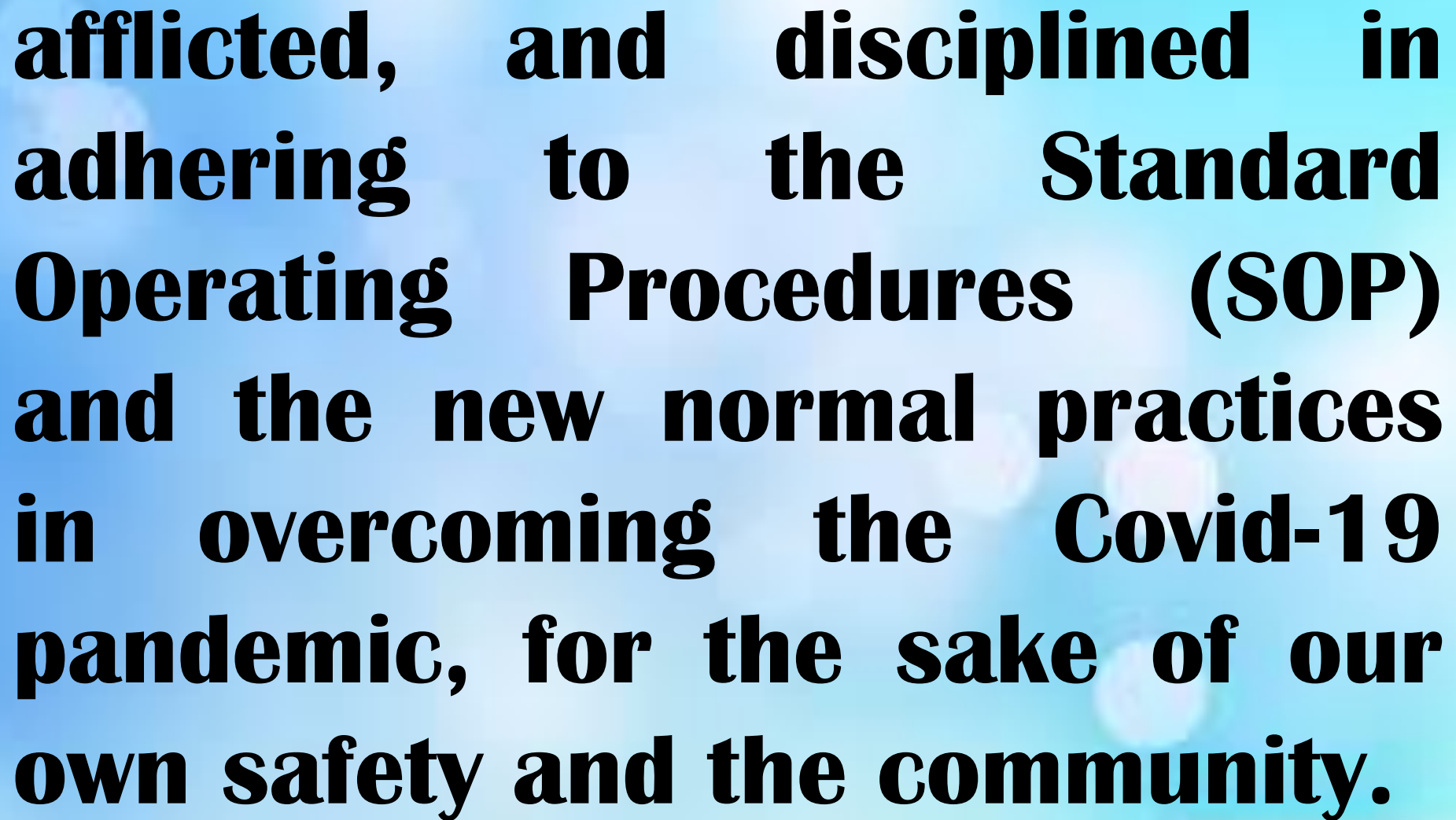


**pandemic. For that, let us
graciously accept the
government's recommendation
by registering ourselves
through the *MySejahtera*
application in order to obtain
vaccine shots that have been**



**authorized by the Ministry of
Health Malaysia.**


**May we become among the
slaves of Allah that are patient
while enduring all diseases**



afflicted, and disciplined in adhering to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and the new normal practices in overcoming the Covid-19 pandemic, for the sake of our own safety and the community.




**Let us altogether increase
our *salawaat* upon our
beloved Prophet Muhammad
ﷺ as Allah has commanded:**




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, make us among Your slaves whom are always exalting Your Word and Religion. Keep us away from groups and those that like to criticize, curse, and insult Your Religion.



O Allah, grant us guidance in performing the five obligatory prayers in congregation, fulfilling *zakaat* through Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS), and give away our wealth and endowment (*waqf*) through



Perbadanan Wakaf Selangor
(Selangor Endowment
Corporation) and *Tabung Infak*
Jariah Umat Islam Selangor
(TIJARI, Selangor Continuous
Charity for Muslims Fund),



**and to the orphans through
Darul Ehsan Islamic
Foundation (YIDE).**



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