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اَللَّهُ اَكْبَرُ كَبِيْرًا، وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَثِيْرًا، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ بُكْرَةً وَاَصِيْلًا. اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: وَلِلَّهِ عَلَى النَّاسِ حِجُّ الْبَيْتِ مَنِ اَسْتَطَاعَ إِلَيْهِ سَبِيلًا وَمَن كَفَرَ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ غَنِيُّ عَنِ الْعَلَمِينَ ۞ 1

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اَلِهِ وَصَحْبِه أَجْمَعنْنَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُّسْلِمُونَ ١٠٠٠

Dear blessed audience, O Muslimeen and Muslimaat,

¹ Aal 'Imraan 3:97.

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.



I sincerely remind myself and fellow congregation, let us strive to increase our *imaan* (faith) and *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by remaining diligent in performing all of His Commands, and avoiding all of His prohibitions. It is only with true *imaan* and *taqwa* that we will attain success in this world and in the Hereafter.

On this very blessed day, I will discuss upon the *khutbah* of *'Eid al-Adha* titled *"ISLAMIC BROTHERHOOD: THE EXPERIENCE OF HAJJ AND SACRIFICE."*

Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great, and all praise be to Allah

Respected Muslimeen and Muslimaat,

We are currently in a blessed month. The month in which it was legislated upon the Muslims to perform the 'ibaadah (worship) of hajj. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala had obligated the 'ibaadah of hajj for those that are able to perform it. This is as mentioned by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in verse 97 of Soorah Aal 'Imraan that was recited at the beginning of the khutbah:

"And [due] to Allah from the people is a pilgrimage to the House for whoever is able to find thereto a way. But whoever disbelieves - then indeed, Allah is free from need of the worlds."

Muslims performing hajj are not expecting any reward other than *hajj* mabroor (accepted), for its reward is Paradise. Rasulullah ## had mentioned, as in the narration of Abu Hurayrah *radiyAllaahu 'anh*:



الْعُمْرَةُ إِلَى الْعُمْرَةِ كَفَّارَةٌ لِلَا بَيْنَهُمَا، وَالْحَجُّ الْمُبُرُورُ لَيْسَ لَهُ جَزَاءٌ إِلَّا الْجَنَّةَ.

"An 'umrah is an expiation for the sins committed between it and the next, and hajj which is accepted will receive no other reward than Paradise."

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

In this month also Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala had legislated the 'ibaadah of sacrifice (qurbaani or ud-hiyah). A great 'ibaadah inherited from the history of the great sacrifice undertaken by Prophet Ibraheem 'Alayhissalaam and his family. The legislation of the 'ibaadah of qurbaani was specifically mentioned by Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in al-Qur'an, through verse 34 of soorah al-Hajj:

"And for all religion We have appointed a rite [of sacrifice] that they may mention the name of Allah over what He has provided for them of [sacrificial] animals."

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Dear blessed audience,

'Eid al-Adha this year is celebrated in a totally different atmosphere as compared the previous years. The Covid-19 pandemic that had infected more than eight hundred thirty-six thousand people and claimed more than six thousand lives in Malaysia had caused the government to impose Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) pertaining many matters as precaution. Even the 'ibaadah of hajj and sacrifice are affected due to such predicament. The Malaysian government is unable to send pilgrims for hajj this year because the Saudi Arabian government is not accepting pilgrims from outside the kingdom.

However, it does not at all extinguish the spirit and objective of performing hajj and *qurbaani*. Both of these 'ibaadah teaches us to continue strengthening the ties of brotherhood within the Muslim *ummah*. The 'ibaadah of hajj requires the Muslim *ummah* from various nations, ethnicities, and skin color to altogether assemble as one *jamaa'ah* (congregation) having one purpose, which is purely for servitude unto Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala.

Similarly with the 'ibaadah of qurbaani. Its ruling is sunnah mu'akkadah (highly emphasized), intending to attain nearness to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. This 'ibaadah teaches us to mutually aid one another, helping each other, and at the same time strengthen the brotherhood between Muslims. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 10 of soorah al-Hujuraat:



"The believers are but brothers, so make settlement between your brothers. And fear Allah that you may receive mercy."

Rasulullah ## had mentioned in the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu 'anh*:

"Do not hate one another, nor be jealous of one another; and do not desert one another, but O Allah's worshipers! Be Brothers! And it is unlawful for a Muslim to desert his brother Muslim (and not to talk to him) for more than three days."

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great, and all praise be to Allah

Respected audience,

As Muslims, whom are brothers and sisters to each other, let us derive lessons from the experience in the 'ibaadah of hajj and sacrifice. Let us avoid strife, slandering, and thinking bad about others. May we always remain firm in strong bond of brotherhood, living in peace and harmony, so that we can serve as fortress against the onslaught by the enemies of Islam. As the saying goes 'United We Stand, Divided We Fall.'

Rasulullah # had narrated in the *hadeeth* of Abu Moosa *radiyAllaahu* 'anh:



الْلُؤْمِنُ لِلْمُؤْمِنِ كَالْبُنْيَانِ، يَشُدُّ بَعْضُهُ بَعْضًا

"A believer to another believer is like a building whose different parts enforce each other."

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

Allah is Most Great, Allah is Most Great, and all praise be to Allah

Dear blessed Muslimeen and Muslimaat,

To end the *khutbah* on this glorious morning, let us altogether take lessons upon the following matters:

- 1. The Muslims must have certainty that the command to solidify the bond of Islamic brotherhood is from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.
- 2. We are to refrain from committing slander, thinking ill of others, and sow enmity amongst Muslims.
- 3. As Muslim *ummah*, we must avoid division by embracing the teachings of al-Qur'an as guidance.



"And do not be like the ones who became divided and differed after the clear proofs had come to them. And those will have a great punishment."

(Aal 'Imraan 3:105)

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيْهِ مِنَ اللهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ، وَنَفَعَنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ فِيْهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيْمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِيْ وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيْعُ الْعَلِيْمُ.

أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ اللهَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ.

اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ لاَ إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللهُ وَاللهُ أَكْبَرُ. اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، وَلِلَّهِ الْحَمْدُ.



THE SECOND KHUTBAH

اَللَّهُ اَكْبَرُ اللَّهُ بَكْرَةً وَاصِيلًا. اللَّهُ اَكْبَرُ كَبِيْرًا، وَالْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ كَثِيْرًا، وَسُبْحَانَ اللَّهِ بُكْرَةً وَاصِيلًا.

اللهُ اَكْبَرُ كَبِيْرًا، وَالْحَمْدُ لِلهِ كَثِيْرًا، وَسُبْحَانَ اللهِ بُكْرَةً وَأَصِيْلًا. اللهِ عَلَى نِعْمَةِ الْإِسْلَامِ وَالْإِيْمَانِ

Esteemed audience,

In our earnest effort of breaking the Covid-19 chain, every individuals are requested to continue in remaining disciplined and obligated in adhering to the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) stipulated by JAIS (Selangor Islamic Religious Department), specifically in restricting the number of attendees allowed for the congregational prayer in *masaajid* and *suraus*. Let us pray in congregation with our family members, so that we will attain tremendous reward from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.



ٱللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْلُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْلُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْلُؤْمِنَاتِ الأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيْعٌ قَرِيْبٌ مُجِيْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ اَللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَآئِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وِقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعَظَّم، سُلْطَان سلاغُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاَحُ الدِّين عبد العزبز شاه الحاج. اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ وَالسَّلامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيّ عَهْدِ سلاغُور، تَعْكُو أُمِير شَاه، إبْن السُّلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس شاه الحاج، فِيْ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلالِ وَالإِكْرَامِ. لِلْمُوَظَّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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 disease outbreak such as Covid-19.

اَللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اِدْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْرَضَ وَاللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْبَلَاءِ وَالْبَرَضَ وَالشَّدَائِدَ وَالْمِحَنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيْفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيْرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيْرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبُ لَنَا مِنُ أُزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةً أَعُيُنِ وَٱجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي ٱلْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ. عَبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدُلِ وَٱلْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَآيٍ ذِي ٱلْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ ٱلْفَرْبَى وَيَنْهَىٰ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَاءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغْيُ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ٥ عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَاءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغْيُ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ٥

فَاذْكُرُواْ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوْهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ، وَاسْأَلُوْهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا تَصْنَعُونَ.

اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ، لللهُ أَكْبَرُ، للهُ أَكْبَرُ وَلِلَّهِ الْحَمْدُ. لاَ إِلَهَ إِلاَّ اللهُ وَاللهُ أَكْبَرُ، اللهُ أَكْبَرُ وَلِلَّهِ الْحَمْدُ.



تَقَبَّلَ اللهُ مِنَّا وَمِنْكُمْ صَالِحَ الْأَعْمَالِ مِنَ الْعَائِدِيْنِ وَالْفَائِزِيْنَ، وَكُلُّ عَامٍ وَأَنْتُمْ بِخَيْرٍ مِنَ الْعَائِدِيْنِ وَالْفَائِزِيْنَ، وَكُلُّ عَامٍ وَأَنْتُمْ بِخَيْرٍ ****