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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ: قُلْ لَنْ يُصِيبَنَا إِلَّا مَا كَتَبَ اللَّهُ لَنَا هُوَ مَوْلَانَا

وَعَلَى اللَّهِ فَلْيَتَوَكَّلِ الْمُؤْمِنُونَ ﴿٥١﴾¹

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ

وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَىٰ آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ

أَجْمَعِينَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ! اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ! أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ

فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ ۖ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ

إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ﴿١٠٢﴾²

Dear blessed Muslims,

I remind myself and fellow audience to altogether strive in empowering our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with the truest of *taqwa*, by performing all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain happiness in this world and the Hereafter.

Today I will be expounding on a *khutbah* titled “**VACCINE AS THE BEST EFFORT.**”

Dear respected congregation,

¹ at-Tawbah 9:51.

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.



When we are afflicted with an illness, the best solution is to exert effort by solidifying our determination and conviction that all types of diseases and cures originate from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Vaccine is one of the means and effort in medical treatment. This method is an early measure of disease prevention that is effective in the modern era. Vaccination can make the antibodies stronger when encountered with Covid-19. This is because, seeking medicine and treatment is an act that is highly commendable in Islamic teachings. Moreover, this concept coincides with the principles of *Maqaasid Sharee'ah* (Higher Objectives of the Islamic Law) with the priority of preserving lives. It becomes the responsibility upon the Muslim individual to find alternative treatment in safeguarding lives, which coincides with the *fiqhi* (juristic) maxim that forbade acts that are dangerous and harmful to the surrounding, whether the family and society.

لَا ضَرَرَ وَلَا ضِرَارَ

"Harm shall not be inflicted nor reciprocated."

Respected audience,

In conjunction with the government's policy in fighting the Covid-19 pandemic, the government's actions today are committed in prioritizing the safety of the community so as to not become exposed to the danger of this pandemic. This can be seen with various efforts by the government in fully supporting the National Covid-19 Immunization Program (PICK). The National Covid-19 Immunization Program is a national vaccination campaign that is implemented as a proactive campaign in curbing and terminating the spread of Covid-19 after successfully achieving the immunity herd milestone. This is because the main objective of taking vaccine shots is to safeguard the welfare and interest of the masses. This



is the best alternative treatment in the medical world today. This decision is based on studies and rational consideration that coincides with Islamic *Sharee'ah* that promotes general *maslahah* (public interest). In the *hadeeth* of Abu ad-Dardaa' *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, the Prophet صلى الله عليه وسلم stated:

فَتَدَاوُوا وَلَا تَدَاوُوا بِحَرَامٍ

"So treat yourselves medically, but use nothing unlawful."

(Abu Dawood)

This vaccination program cannot be deemed as purely curbing individual freedom for it is an effort and measure to curb the spread of Covid-19 so that the society can return to its normal lives. Indirectly, it can also restore the nation that has been greatly affected in the social and economic aspects, as well as building the society's confidence and security assurance in pursuing its social life activities in the future.

Dear beloved Muslims,

The reality is, of late, various assumptions and confusions have emerged within the society regarding vaccination, with allegations and inaccurate news being spread in the social media. They seem to illustrate that vaccination is not in line with the *Sharee'ah* and Islamic rulings. Various accusations were hurled by hardcore anti-vaccine instigators using emotions upon the usage of vaccines, causing the society to become influenced and believe in such propaganda. In result, negative perception emerges questioning the need for vaccination when the virus can still infect those that have been vaccinated. What must be known is that the ruling of taking Covid-19 vaccines for the Muslims has been determined as permissible and *waajib* (obligatory) in accordance with the resolutions from the 10th Special *Muzaakarah* Committee Meeting of the National Council for Islamic Affairs (MKI) that convened on the 3rd of December 2020. This



is because the priority for prevention before viral outbreak can be curbed on a thorough basis. Aside from that, vaccination can be seen as preserving the welfare and public interest, not specific individuals. It requires the support and cooperation from the masses to succeed because it has been proven scientifically that unvaccinated individuals can cause others to be more vulnerable in being infected with Covid-19. Vaccination has been recommended by healthcare experts who would comprehend and thoroughly understood the danger and preventive measures of this virus. While, rejecting the vaccine not only endangers oneself but it can inflict harm upon others. Aside from that, research findings have proven that Covid-19 vaccination with complete dosage yields 83% effectiveness in preventing one from being admitted into the ICU. It also yields 88% effectiveness in preventing death. Similarly, 88% effectiveness in reducing the risk of infection and 86% effectiveness in reducing the risk of symptomatic infection, which generates more good than harm. What is of utmost importance is that vaccination is in consistence and adherence with the stipulations and principles that have been collectively agreed by *Fatwa* Committees of various states in Malaysia.

Dear respected audience,

Referring to Selangor *Fatwa* Committee for the session 1/2021 that had convened on the 9th of February 2021 and approved by His Royal Highness the Sultan of Selangor on the 28th of September 2021, it was decreed that the ruling for Covid-19 vaccination is permissible and it is *wajib* upon those that had been stipulated by the government. Hence, on this very opportunity, I would like to humbly remind fellow audience to comply with the orders of the authorities and participate in the Covid-19 Vaccination Program. Ensure to disseminate the correct understanding to the society by exerting effort through vaccination. Do not sit idle until it becomes too little too late, resorting to preventive measures when afflicted



with harm. Similarly, avoid provocations and facts manipulation in the social media by disputing the information conveyed by the government, solely for the interest of one's personal agenda that it affects others. Let us become responsible citizens, not instigators against the wellbeing of the *ummah*. For sure, through this sincere effort, there will be a cure for every illness sent down by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. We are to seek treatment for illnesses endured, however we must first resort to preventive measures such as vaccine shots, before we are afflicted with the virus or any disease. Let us internalize upon the reminder from Rasulullah ﷺ, where in the *hadeeth* of Jaabir bin 'Abdillaah *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma*, he ﷺ said:

لِكُلِّ دَاءٍ دَوَاءٌ، فَإِذَا أُصِيبَ دَوَاءُ الدَّاءِ بَرَأَ بِإِذْنِ اللَّهِ عَزَّ
وَجَلَّ

“There is a remedy for every malady, and when the remedy is applied to the disease it is cured with the permission of Allah, the Exalted and Glorious.”

(Muslim)

Blessed audience,

The conclusions from the *khutbah* where we can derive lessons today are:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must strive earnestly in seeking the best solution when afflicted with illness by having determination and certainty that every disease and its cure all originate from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.



2. The Muslim *ummah* must realize that the Covid-19 vaccination program manifests the concerns and priority of the government in preserving the wellbeing and interests of the general public.

3. It is *waajib* upon every Muslim to obey the ruler for as long as it is done for the *maslahah* of the *ummah* and nation.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا أَطِيعُوا اللَّهَ وَأَطِيعُوا الرَّسُولَ وَأُولِيَ الْأَمْرِ
مِنْكُمْ فَإِن تَنَزَعْتُمْ فِي شَيْءٍ فَرُدُّوهُ إِلَى اللَّهِ وَالرَّسُولِ إِن كُنْتُمْ
تُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ وَالْيَوْمِ الْآخِرِ ذَلِكَ خَيْرٌ وَأَحْسَنُ تَأْوِيلًا ﴿٥٩﴾

“O you who have believed, obey Allah and obey the Messenger and those in authority among you. And if you disagree over anything, refer it to Allah and the Messenger, if you should believe in Allah and the Last Day. That is the best [way] and best in result.”

(Soorah an-Nisaa’ 4:59)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ
بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ
تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.



أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ



THE SECOND KHUTBAH

الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ.
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ
مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا
مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ
الدِّينِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ
بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear blessed audience,

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.

May we become among the slaves of Allah that are patient while enduring all diseases afflicted, disciplined in adhering to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and deriving lessons from everything that has happened, always vigilant and mindful though we have been given a bit of freedom to move about. This is because the entire nation is still fighting the Covid-19 pandemic, for the sake of our own safety and the society as a whole.



For those that are truly affected by this pandemic, do not take the easy way out by harming and injuring oneself. We must be selfless, patient, and strong mentally and physically, built upon solid *imaan*.

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

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا ﴿٥٦﴾

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ سَيِّدِ الْمُرْسَلِينَ وَارْضَ اللَّهُمَّ عَنْ أَصْحَابِهِ وَقَرَابَتِهِ وَأَزْوَاجِهِ وَذُرِّيَّاتِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَهْلِكَ الْكُفْرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَكَ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ. وَانصُرْنَا عَلَى الْقَوْمِ الْكَافِرِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعَيْنِ عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْمُعْظَمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطِينِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ



الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلطان صَلَاحُ الدِّين عبد العزيز شاه
الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهُدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سِلاَعُورِ، تَعَكَوْ اَمِيْر شَاهِ ابْنِ
السُّلْطَانِ شَرْفِ الدِّينِ ادريس شاه الحاج، فِي اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمُوظَّفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيْقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

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), making endowment (*waqf*) through *Perbadanan Wakaf Selangor* (Selangor Endowment Corporation) and giving away (*infaaq*) our wealth through *Tabung Infak Jariah Umat Islam Selangor* (TIJARI, Selangor Continuous Charity for Muslims Fund), and to the orphans through Darul Ehsan Islamic Foundation (YIDE).



اللَّهُمَّ يَا دَافِعَ الْبَلَاءِ، اذْفَعْ عَنَّا هَذَا الْوَبَاءَ وَالْبَلَاءَ وَالْمَرَضَ
وَالشَّدَائِدَ وَالْمِحْنَ، بِلُطْفِكَ يَا لَطِيفُ إِنَّكَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ
قَدِيرٌ وَبِالْإِجَابَةِ جَدِيرٌ.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا.
رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٢٠١﴾.
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى
وَيَنْهَى عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ

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فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُواهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا
تَصْنَعُونَ.