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## STAY VIGILANT, NOT NEGLIGENT

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Let us strengthen our taqwa of Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala in every seconds of our lives with obedience as well as adherence to

His Commands, and avoid His prohibitions. Verily, such effort will incur rahmah (mercy) and blessings from Him in this world and the Hereafter.



We are well informed that on 11th October 2021, the Malaysian government has allowed all of us to cross state borders after having been prohibited from doing so for quite some time. The feeling of

gratitude and happiness were clearly expressed on everyone's face after two years we were prevented from returning to our hometown and kampong to meet with our loved ones. It is

indeed a great rahmah and blissfulness, however we must remember that it is not a license for us to escape and disregard self-control measures and roam freely without adhering to the SOP.

Two vaccine doses and 90% of the adult population having been vaccinated is not a 100% guarantee that we are immune from this unseen virus. Moreover, if we remain aloof with regard

to the virus being present in our surroundings and living among us, it is worried that it will give rise to a new wave of Covid-19 pandemic within our society. Even though we have been

successful in reducing the infection rate with vaccine immunization to curb its spread, we must remain disciplined when strolling through shopping malls, food outlets, tourist

attractions, while playing sports, and returning to our hometown to see our parents, colleagues, and relatives. This freedom does not mean that we can freely shake each other's hands, mingling,

flocking and crowding without having any regard for the regulations stipulated in the SOP. This is because the virus that is invisible is always looking for opportunities to find new victims that

negligent and are heedless. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 29 of soorah an-Nisaa':

"And do not kill yourselves [or one another]. Indeed, Allah is to you ever Merciful."

This verse informs us that if we disregard and do not adhere to the SOP, it is as if we have thrown ourselves into the valley of destruction, meaning that we would harm and kill one another.

that A research was conducted the by Dean Executive of University's Taylor's Faculty of Health and Medical Sciences, Emeritus Professor Dr. P.T. Thomas, expounded

that vaccines are not 100% effective upon every individual that have been vaccinated. The efficacy of a vaccine is at 90%. This means that from 100 vaccinated persons, 90 will be

protected while the remaining 10 will have the possibility of getting infected by the virus.

Healthcare administrator, Dr. Khoo Yoong Khean,

stated that those that have completed their vaccination shots are still susceptible to Covid-19 infection even though its effect will not be as severe compared to those unvaccinated.

This means that there is no 100% guarantee that those who have their completed vaccination will not be infected by Covid-19. There is the possibility of individuals that have

been vaccinated and are not displaying any signs or symptoms, yet they would carry and spread this virus to others. Strictly speaking, the 'freedom' granted by the government is not a

license for to us heedless in become adhering the to standard operating procedure (SOP).

According to Associate Professor Dr. Yahya Mat Arip, a Universiti Sains Malaysia virologist, if there emerges a group that has been vaccinated and they became the cause for the spread of

Covid-19, then there will be negative perception upon vaccination efforts because such program is deemed to contribute in the prevention of its transmission not as its cause. Even more

worrying, according to the Director-General of Health, Tan Sri Dr. Noor Hisham bin Abdullah, the Delta variant not only spreads within the duration of 5-15 seconds but it can grow in the

noses of vaccinated individuals. This means that those that have been vaccinated can spread the virus and infect others. Hence, the vanishing of vigilance and emergence of

negligence can inflict a new wave that is even more frightening. Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 92 of Soorah al-Maa'idah:

وَأَطِيعُواْ اللّهَ وَأَطِيعُواْ الرّسُولَ وَأَحْذَرُواْ وَالْحَذَرُواْ وَاحْذَرُواْ

"And obey Allah and obey the Messenger and beware."

In the *hadeeth* of Anas bin Maalik *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah said:

"Deliberation is from Allah, and haste is from Satan."

(al-Bayhaqi)

altogether as Let us Malaysia (the Keluarga Malaysian Family), though having reached the target of complete vaccination for 90% of adult population and that we are now able to freely

around here and roam there including interstate travels, we must continue to remain cautious and not Let negligent. us continue the habit of remaining obedient,

disciplined, and living according to the new norm for the safety and well-being of our ourselves, our families, the society, and the nation.

To end our khutbah today, let altogether ponder upon the following matters:

1. We must have imaan (belief) and certainty that all calamities and diseases are from the gadr (decree) of Allah Subhaanahu Ta'aala.

2. We must become an ummah that is obedient and vigilant in curbing the pandemic or endemic that occurs.

3. The Muslim ummah must comprehend that the freedom granted is not a license for us to be as freely as possible that we become heedless from observing the SOP.

4. We must become an ummah that is caring istiqaamah and (steadfast) living with the new norm so that our families, ourselves, and the Nation remain safe.

"Is one who is devoutly obedient during periods of the night, prostrating and standing [in prayer], fearing the Hereafter and hoping for the mercy of his Lord, [like one who does not]?

Say, "Are those who know equal to those who do not know?" Only they will remember [who are] people of understanding."

(Soorah az-Zumar 39:9)

## THE SECOND KHUTBAH

Once more, I would like to remind all of us to always have the tagwa 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, and 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



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



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 our wealth (infaaq) through Tabung Infak Jariah Umat Islam Selangor (TIJARI, Selangor Continuous Charity for Muslims Fund),

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

