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اَلْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِل: وَمَا تُنفِقُواْ مِنْ خَيْرٍ فَلِأَنفُسِكُمْ وَمَا تُنفِقُونَ إِلَّا اَبْتِغَاءَ وَجُهِ اللَّهِ ... أ

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسَلِّم عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وسَلِّم عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ وصَحْبهِ وَطَحْبهِ وَعَلَى اللهِ وصَحْبهِ وَاجْمَعِيْنَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَاۤ أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ اِتَّقُواْ اللَّهَ، أُوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُثَقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَّأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ ٱتَّقُواْ ٱللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنتُم مُّسُلِمُونَ ﴿ وَالْأَوْلَ اللَّهُ مَّسُلِمُونَ ﴿ وَالْأَوْلَ اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ مَا اللَّهُ اللّ

Dear blessed Friday audience,

Let us strive to increase our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Taʻaala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain His Pleasure in this world and the Hereafter.

The khutbah today is titled, "SEEKING ALLAH'S PLEASURE THROUGH ENDOWMENT."

¹ al-Baqarah 2:272

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102



Dear blessed audience,

Waqf (endowment) is from among the righteous deeds that will take us closer to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala. Those making waqf will attain the pleasure of Allah, as Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala mentions in verse 272 of soorah al-Baqarah that was recited in the early part of this khutbah, which means:

"And whatever you spend of good - it will be fully repaid to you, and you will not be wronged."

At one time, the *waqf* institution was fully functional and expanded as one of the contributing factors in building a civilization. Its role was significant that it was able to provide comprehensive infrastructure facilities that covers public facilities such the educational and healthcare sectors, as well as various other forms of welfare initiatives.

Blessed Muslims,

The success of *waqf* in the modern era can be seen with the establishment of the Turkish Ottoman empire. They did not only make *waqf* as an *'ibaadah* (worship), but they even incorporated it as part of their culture in life. *Waqf*, specifically in the educational sector, can be seen with the establishment of over 140 universities built from *waqf* funds. Among the early universities built from *waqf* funds are the University of al-Qarawiyyeen in Morocco that was endowed in the year 856CE, al-Azhar University, Egypt in 930CE, and al-Fateh University, Turkey in 1470CE. All of these universities are still in operation and produces luminaries every year.

Similarly, with *waqf* in the healthcare sector that had expanded since the 9th century. It provided free treatment to the members of society,



among them in Egypt, namely ibn Tulun Hospital founded in 872CE, granted as waqf by Sultan ibn Tulun himself, which marked the first waqf hospital in the Islamic world. Other ones would be al-Mansoori Hospital that was made waqf in 1284CE, and many other waqf hospitals such as the ones in Cordoba and Baghdad. All of these forms of waqf had originated from cash endowment for building permanent assets whose benefits can be enjoyed by the general public of the coming generation.

In relation to that, the Selangor Fatwa Committee in its 5th session that convened on the 17th of October 2017 had concluded that it is permissible to perform *waqf* in cash format as *waqf* property.

Blessed Muslims,

Alhamdulillaah, in 2022, the Selangor Waqf Corporation (PWS) enters its 10th year of establishment after it was approved by His Royal Highness Tuanku Sultan Selangor. With the blessings from the cooperation of all parties, the value of waqf properties in Selangor continues to rise. By the end of 2021, waqf properties are valued at RM1.894 Billion. That is RM1.516 Billion in real estate with more than 1655 acres of land. While RM378 Million is in the form of cash waqf.

The cash *waqf* was re-channeled as permanent assets through the construction or upgrading of 158 *masaajid*, 195 *suraus*, 33 schools, *tahfizh* (Qur'anic memorization) institutes, as well as healthcare-related devices.

In a period of five years to come, PWS has planned for 12 new *waqf* land development projects. This covers the construction of *masaajid*, petrol stations, and housing areas that will cost approximately RM147 Million. In addition, there are over 200 institutions that are involved in special *waqf* collection whose collections are regulated by PWS.



Dear ennobled audience,

Take heed! Waqf properties belong to Allah Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala forever, that when such real estate has been made waqf, then the rights of the endower in terms of ownership has been severed and it cannot be reclaimed. Hence, it becomes the very responsibility of the administrator of waqf properties to ensure the continuity of the charity so that it will be channeled to benefit the ummah. For those that dares to take back the waqf property, its ruling is haraam (unlawful), for such person is from among those that are greedy and it manifests the bad attitude of a Muslim.

In the *hadeeth* of 'Umar *radiyAllaahu 'anh*, Rasulullah # had said to 'Umar al-Khattab:

"If you wish you may make the property an endowment and give its produce as sadaqah." So 'Umar gave the land as sadaqah as an endowment on the condition that it must not be sold, inherited, or given away.

(Muslim)

Respected audience,

While we are discussing, planning, or intending to make *waqf*, let us be reminded of what Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 39 of soorah Sabaa':

"...But whatever thing you spend [in His cause] - He will compensate it..."



Do not worry, for the more we give away in *waqf*, the more Allah will compensate, so let us not be afraid of Allah's Promise. The Companions of the Prophet such as Sayyidina Abu Bakr would give away all of his wealth, while Sayyidina 'Uthmaan gave away half of his wealth. It is crystal clear here that with solid *imaan* (belief) and certainty within the Companions, they were not afraid to spend in the path of Allah. The Prophet himself would become the most generous person in Ramadaan, as mentioned in the *hadeeth* of ibn 'Abbaas *radiyAllaahu 'anhuma*:

"Allah's Messenger (*) was the most generous person, even more generous than the fast wind."

(al-Bukhaari)

Dear beloved audience,

On this very opportunity, the Selangor *Waqf* Corporation would like to express its heartfelt gratitude for all of the cooperation and support given by the endowers all these while. Only Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* can repay and accept all of our deeds. Let us continue in making *waqf* in the various forms available, namely online funds transfer, monthly salary deduction for as low as RM1, cash *waqf* collection boxes at selected *masaajid*, local government's premises, selected petrol stations, Selangor *Zakaat* Board (LZS) counters, as well as authorized information agents. May many more benefits can be further disseminated. Every amount or form of *waqf* given, all will become the best provision for us in the Hereafter.

Dearest Muslims,



To end the *khutbah* today, I would like to remind myself and fellow congregation:

- 1. The Muslim *ummah* must have certainty upon the promise of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, in bestowing continuous reward upon the endower for as long as his *waqf* remains beneficial.
- 2. The Muslims that made *infaaq* (charity) with the best and most beloved belonging will be granted with the utmost appreciation in the sight of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*.
- 3. Let us continue in making *waqf* especially towards the end of the noble month of Ramadaan with our possessions so that it can benefit others.

"Never will you attain the good [reward] until you spend [in the way of Allah] from that which you love. And whatever you spend - indeed, Allah is Knowing of it."

(Soorah Aal 'Imraan 3:92)

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



أَقُولُ قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ اللهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَآئِرِ الْلهَ الْسُلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ الْمُسْلِمَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوْهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيْمُ

THE SECOND KHUTBAH

اَلْحَمْدُلِلَّهِ الَّذِيْ جَعَلَنَا مِنَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ، وَرَزَقَنَا مِنَ الطَّيِّبَاتِ. وَلَحَمْدُ لِلَّهُ وَحُدَهُ لاَ شَرِيْكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ اللهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيْكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ اللهُ وَحْدَهُ لاَ شَرِيْكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ



مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اَللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى اللهِ وَصَحْبِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدَّيْنِ. أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللهِ، اِتَّقُواْ اللَّهَ، أُوصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ اللهِ بَقْوَى اللهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

Dear blessed audience,

Let us altogether strive to have the *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by increasing our obedience towards Him and avoiding acts of disobedience and abominable deeds.

إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ وَمَلْيِكَتَهُ و يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى ٱلنَّبِيِّ يَاأَيُّهَا ٱلَّذِينَ ءَامَنُواْ صَلُّواْ عَلَى عَلَيْهِ وَسَلِّمُواْ تَسْلِيمًا ۞

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِيْنَ.

اَللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِیْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِیْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْیَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِیْعٌ قَرِیْبٌ مُجِیْبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ وَیَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ. اَللَّهُمَّ أَعِزَّ الْإِسْلاَمَ وَالْمُسْلِمِیْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ وَالْمُسْلِمِیْنَ، وَأَهْلِكِ الْكَفَرَةَ وَالْمُبْتَدِعَةَ وَالْمُسْرِكِیْنَ.



ٱللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِيْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ بأَسْمَآئِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بِعَيْن عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلاَلَةَ مَلِكِنَا الْلُعَظَّم، سُلْطَان سلاغُور، سُلْطَان شَرَفُ الدِّين ادريس ش الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَان صَلاَحُ الدِّين عبد العزبز اَللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالسَّلامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيّ عَهْدِ سلاغُور، تَعْكُو أَمِير شَاه إِبْن طَان شَرَفُ الدِّينِ ادريس شاه الحاج، فِيْ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَاالْجَلالِ وَالإِكْرَامِ. مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطُرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

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).



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

رَبَّنَا هَبُ لَنَا مِنُ أُزُورِجِنَا وَذُرِيَّتِنَا قُرَّةً أَعُيُنِ وَٱجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا. رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي ٱلدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي ٱلْآخِرةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ ٱلنَّارِ ۞. عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِٱلْعَدُلِ وَٱلْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَآيٍ ذِي ٱلْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَى عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَاءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغِيُّ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ وَيَنْهَى عَنِ ٱلْفَحْشَاءِ وَٱلْمُنكرِ وَٱلْبَغِيُّ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ

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