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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ : كُنْتُمْ خَيْرَ أُمَّةٍ أُخْرِجَتْ لِلنَّاسِ تَأْمُرُونَ
بِالْمَعْرُوفِ وَتَنْهَوْنَ عَنِ الْمُنْكَرِ وَتُؤْمِنُونَ بِاللَّهِ¹

أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا
مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدَهُ وَرَسُولَهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا
مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أُوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى
اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا
تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ²

Dear blessed Muslims,

I call upon all of us to altogether strive in increasing our *taqwa* of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* by fulfilling all of His Commands and avoiding all of His prohibitions. May we all attain happiness and success in this world and the Hereafter.

¹ Aal 'Imraan 3:110

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102



On this blessed day, I will discuss upon a *khutbah* titled “**THE PRIORITY OF DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION.**”

Dear blessed Muslims,

As Muslims, it becomes our very responsibility to curb all types of *munkar* (evil) occurring around us. One of these evils is drug abuse, which is becoming more rampant in this country. It is a matter that is strictly prohibited both by the religion and the law of the land.

The third (3rd) *Muzakarah* of the National Council for Islamic Affairs (MKI) that convened in 1981 had decided that any form of drug abuse is ruled as *haram* (unlawful). While, during the 76th edition of the same *muzakarah* in the year 2006, it was determined that drug abuse is *haram*. This prohibition is because drug abuse can cause greater destruction (*mafsadah*) and harm upon oneself, one’s family, the society, and nation. This prohibition is also to preserve the intellect (*hifzh al-‘aql*) and block all means toward destruction (*sadd adh-dharaa’i*), which can cause self-destruction and ruins the family and the nation.

Therefore, the responsibility to curb drug abuse must be jointly undertaken with one another for all members of the community. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* mentions in verse 110 of soorah Aal ‘Imraan that was recited during the early part of the *khutbah*:

“You are the best nation produced [as an example] for mankind. You enjoin what is right and forbid what is wrong and believe in Allah.”

Beloved Friday audience,

The reality today is that cases of drug abuse is becoming increasingly prevalent and worrying in our society. The National Anti-Drugs Agency (AADK), Ministry of Home Affairs (KDN) has recorded the total amount of



substance abuse and drug trafficking up until September 2023 to be 128,911 cases. Of that amount, 77.3 percent or 99,609 individuals are Malays. Aside from that, it was discovered that those aged between 19 and 39 years old involved in drug abuse are 79,619 individuals or 61.8 percent, within the same duration.

Look at these astounding figures, do we not ponder upon our roles as members of society in curbing this disease of drug abuse from continuing to persist? If we choose to remain passive, then it is as if we are comfortable living independently with the mentality: "*Let them be, why should we meddle with the affairs of others, it is not our children that's taking drugs.*"

How unfortunate if this mentality is predominantly held by our society, for it only manifests religious teachings have begun to fade within our souls. While, the reality is that drug abuse is becoming rampant by the days within the society. Moreover, they have become audacious in utilizing modern technology to sell drugs, through the dark web, as well as other social network applications and platforms. What is even more worrying is that synthetic drugs are being sold as low as RM18 including shipping charges.

Beloved Friday congregants,

The adverse effect of drug abuse is truly grave. The drug addict will lose self-control to the point of willing to lie, cheat, steal, injuring others, even much worse is committing murder or any type of crime, so as long that they will obtain that drug to satiate their addiction. Drug abuse can lead to domestic abuse and violence, causing households to be destroyed, and responsibilities toward the spouses and children that have been entrusted by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* to be neglected. Hence, the household becomes dysfunctional, resulting in scars and profound effects upon the children's emotions, physical, and mental aspects.



Take heed, for drug abuse will actually keep one away from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, further destroying the sacredness of our lives and our loved ones, causing losses throughout lives in this world and the Hereafter.

Respected Friday congregation,

To curb drug and substance abuse from continuing to devastate the society, all quarters must galvanize its efforts to prevent evil. On the authority of Abu Sa'eed al-Khudri *radiallaahu 'anh* who said: I heard Rasulullah صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم said:

مَنْ رَأَى مِنْكُمْ مُنْكَرًا فَلْيُغَيِّرْهُ بِيَدِهِ، فَإِنْ لَمْ يَسْتَطِعْ
فَبِلِسَانِهِ، فَإِنْ لَمْ يَسْتَطِعْ فَبِقَلْبِهِ، وَذَلِكَ أَضْعَفُ الْإِيمَانِ

“Whosoever of you sees an evil, let him change it with his hand; and if he is not able to do so, then [let him change it] with his tongue; and if he is not able to do so, then with his heart — and that is the weakest of faith.”

(Muslim)

In addressing this issue, it is very imperative for one to practice and abide by authentic Islamic teachings, for it can develop and groom the person unto becoming disciplined and always obeying the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. It is not difficult at all for Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* to make a person righteous if he fulfills all of the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and abstaining from all of His prohibitions, such as drug abuse. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 20



of soorah Ibraaheem:

وَمَا ذَٰلِكَ عَلَى اللَّهِ بِعَزِيزٍ ﴿٢٠﴾

“And that is not difficult for Allah.”

Beloved audience,

The National Anti-Drugs Agency (AADK), in the treatment of drug addiction, has utilized the biopsychospiritual program method through spiritual and religious approach that is comprehensive and holistic in nature, in ensuring that they can maintain a lifelong recovery. Healing and recovery from drug addiction originates from a soul that is pure, a soul that is filled with the love for Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala*. This serves as fortification in controlling oneself from getting ensnared with drug addiction.

In dealing with drug addicts that have fully recovered, as a caring and civil society, we must accept them openly and not become judgmental or abandoning them without aid. If we are to ask former drug addicts, none of them would admit that they had a comfortable life living under the influence of drugs. They regretted it and admitted that their lives were destroyed after getting involved with drug abuse.

Therefore, they must be given ample opportunity to rectify their weakness and return in becoming members of society. The society should not weaken their spirit from returning to the society, what more in avoiding and ostracizing them. We have seen proofs where those that have recovered and remained healthy, were capable of living normal lives. Furthermore, some even became successful in their careers and businesses. Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* mentions in verse 135 of soorah Aal ‘Imraan:

وَالَّذِينَ إِذَا فَعَلُوا فَحِشَةً أَوْ ظَلَمُوا أَنْفُسَهُمْ ذَكَرُوا اللَّهَ
فَأَسْتَغْفَرُوا لِذُنُوبِهِمْ وَمَنْ يَغْفِرُ الذُّنُوبَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَلَمْ يُصِرُّوا عَلَىٰ مَا
فَعَلُوا وَهُمْ يَعْلَمُونَ ﴿١٣٥﴾

“And those who, when they commit an immorality or wrong themselves [by transgression], remember Allah and seek forgiveness for their sins - and who can forgive sins except Allah? - and [who] do not persist in what they have done while they know.”

Parents must emphasize to their children that they must always distance themselves from unhealthy elements, specifically drugs, for it can drag them towards annihilation and the punishment of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Let us strictly monitor our children, knowing whom they befriend, and getting them involved with beneficial activities outside of the house so that they will be spared from the evil of drug abuse.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 6 of soorah at-Tahreem:

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا قُوا أَنْفُسَكُمْ وَأَهْلِيكُمْ نَارًا وَقُودُهَا النَّاسُ
وَالْحِجَارَةُ عَلَيْهَا مَلَائِكَةٌ غِلَاظٌ شِدَادٌ لَا يَعْصُونَ اللَّهَ مَا أَمَرَهُمْ
وَيَفْعَلُونَ مَا يُؤْمَرُونَ ﴿٦﴾

“O you who have believed, protect yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is people and stones, over which are [appointed] angels, harsh and severe; they do not disobey Allah in

what He commands them but do what they are commanded."

Dearest Friday congregation,

To conclude the *khutbah* today, let us derive several lessons as guidelines in our lives, namely:

1. The Muslims must have certainty that the duty of calling towards good and preventing evil is a command from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and that it is a collective responsibility.

2. The Muslim *ummah* must realize that any form of activities involving drug abuse is *haraam* in Islam, for it leads to calamity in this world and punishment in the Hereafter.

3. Every member of society must mutually aid one another in the healing process of former drug addicts by providing full support and encouragement, and not marginalizing them from becoming together with the society.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
وَأَنْفِقُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَلَا تُلْقُوا بِأَيْدِيكُمْ إِلَى التَّهْلُكَةِ وَأَحْسِنُوا
إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ﴿١٩٥﴾

"And spend in the way of Allah and do not throw [yourselves] with your [own] hands into destruction [by refraining]. And do good; indeed, Allah loves the doers of good."

(al-Baqarah 2:195)

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. اللَّهُمَّ 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.

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

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، إِنَّكَ سَمِيعٌ قَرِيبٌ مُجِيبُ الدَّعَوَاتِ
وَيَا قَاضِيَ الْحَاجَاتِ.

اللَّهُمَّ اصْلِحْ أُمَّةَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَوُلَاةَ أُمُورِهِمْ وَجَمِيعَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ
اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِيْنَ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا
الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ
الْحَاجِ ابْنِ الْمَرْحُومِ سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيزِ شَاهِ
الْحَاجِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَدِمِ الْعُونَ وَالْهَدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَغْكُو أَمِيرِ شَاهِ ابْنِ
السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ، فِي أَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحِ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْإِكْرَامِ. اللَّهُمَّ أَطْلُ

عُمْرُهُمَا مُصْلِحِينَ لِلْمُوظَّفِينَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيقِ الْهُدَى وَالرَّشَادِ.

O Allah! We seek refuge in You from severe trials, from being afflicted with calamities, from evil in destiny, and from the joy of the enemies upon the tribulations and misfortunes that befell us. O Allah! We beseech Your protection, from losing the favors that You have bestowed, from the loss of health that You have granted, protect our state from calamity and disaster. O Allah! You are our One and Only Savior, we humbly beg You to save Masjid al-Aqsa in Palestine.

O Allah! Make us among Your slaves that fulfills the *amaanah*. Strengthen our *imaan* so that we avoid treachery, protect us from becoming among those that neglect their responsibilities, and protect our state and nation from destruction due to bribery, embezzlement, and power abuse. Render the duty to lead our country upon Your slaves whom are trustworthy and honest, as well as firm and courageous in upholding the truth and executing justice according to the *Sharee'ah*. O Allah, make the *masaajid* and *suraus* in the state of Selangor as Your peaceful homes, uniting everyone, and serve as the heart of the *ummah's* strength.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا ﴿٧٤﴾
رَبَّنَا آتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ ﴿٩١﴾
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايِ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ
عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾



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