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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ : وَأَنْفِقُوا فِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَلَا تُلْقُوا بِأَيْدِيكُمْ إِلَى
التَّهْلُكَةِ وَأَحْسِنُوا إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُحِبُّ الْمُحْسِنِينَ ¹ ﴿١٩٥﴾
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا
عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ
وَصَحْبِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.
أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا أَيُّهَا الْمُسْلِمُونَ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ، أَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى
اللَّهِ فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.
قَالَ اللَّهُ تَعَالَى: يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تُقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ
إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ ² ﴿١٠٢﴾

Dear blessed Muslims,

I sincerely 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 leaving out all of His prohibitions. May we be bestowed with happiness and salvation in this world and the Hereafter.

On this noble day, I will expound on a *khutbah* titled **"DRUG ABUSE: ONCE AFFLICTED, FOREVER AGONIZED."**

¹ al-Baqarah 2:195

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.



Blessed Friday audience,

The human body is a creation of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. It is the best of creation, the most perfect, and beauty of the creation of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*. Hence, let it not be rendered in vain by drug abuse, do not oppress it with drug addiction, and do not let it be harmed by drugs. Let us ponder, how we were created by Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* with attributes of perfection as servants equipped with a sound mind and perfect body parts. The sound mind should not be driven by drugs. On the contrary, the sound mind must be driven by Divine revelation so that it produces excellent behavior and actions, in accordance with the *shara'*. The perfection of the servant intends to attain the purpose or objective of human creation, which is to worship Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala*, and not consuming drugs.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 56 of soorah adh-Dhaariyaat:

وَمَا خَلَقْتُ الْجِنَّ وَالْإِنْسَ إِلَّا لِيَعْبُدُونِ ﴿٥٦﴾

“And I did not create the jinn and mankind except to worship Me.”

Based on this verse, Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* created mankind so that they become servants whom are always worshipping Him and abstaining from matters that can destroy oneself and one's intellect, which to succumb to drug abuse. However, if the *'aql* (intellect) is denied of its sanity through drug abuse, then the *'aql* will fail to function in comprehending and implementing the commands of Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* and in the end, it will manifest actions that are perverted, intoxicated, stoned, and violating essential human morality.

Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 195 of soorah al-Baqarah that was recited at the beginning of the *khutbah*:



“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.”

Committing acts that corrupts the mind such as taking illicit drugs is *haraam* (unlawful) for it kills and destroys the ‘*aql*. While, the sound mind is the center of *takleef*, which is fulfilling the obligations of ‘*ibadah* (worship) according to Islamic *Sharee‘ah*. The ‘*aql* is the crown of the individual and it carries a privileged stature that distinguishes between humans and animals. Losing one’s sanity by taking drugs means to destroy and degrade the dignity and nobility of humans to the lowliness and debasement of animals.

Islam obligates its adherents to preserve the dignity of oneself, one’s family, and society by maintaining ‘*aql* that is always healthy. This is because Islam emphasizes the preservation of the five elements of *Maqaasid Sharee‘ah* (Higher Objectives of Islamic Law), and one of it is to protect the intellect so that it always remain sane and capable of fulfilling the requirements of *shar‘i* rulings sufficiently.

Dear blessed Friday congregation,

The National Anti-Drugs Agency (AADK) has revealed that the statistics for drug abuse and addiction in Malaysia for the year 2024 is at 169,691 individuals, indicating an increase of 31.6% compared to the previous year. This increase is very worrying, where 58.8% are made up of those within the age of 15 until 39 years old, whom are categorized as adults and should be living a life that is independent and stable.

It is very unfortunate that we find the majority of those afflicted with drug addiction are the Malays, whom are Muslims, at 76.8%. There are also many celebrities that are caught up in drug addiction, which can adversely influence the Malay Muslim youths.



What may begin as an experiment or casual fling with drugs, only to end in destruction that was unexpected where the mind becomes confused, weak, and lethargic. The marriage that was erected for so long can just collapse in the blink of an eye, the family institution broken sans warning, sexual crimes became common, and even more severe when it involves drivers on the road causing deaths to themselves and other road users.

The consumption of synthetic drugs can lead to violent crimes including suicide, which is increasingly reported in the mass media. Moreover, those under the influence of synthetic drugs are increasing nationwide, where they are vulnerable in committing murder even against their own biological mother or father.

In the narration of Thaabit bin ad-Dahhaak *radiyAllaahu ‘anh:* Rasulullah ﷺ said:

وَمَنْ قَتَلَ نَفْسَهُ بِشَيْءٍ فِي الدُّنْيَا عُدِّبَ بِهِ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ

“And whoever kills himself with something, he will be punished with it in the Hereafter.”

(al-Bukhaari)

Taking away one’s own life or the lives of others is a blameworthy act in Islam and it can only be committed by those devoid of sanity in his or her mind. With news regarding a person under the influence of drugs killing his father or mother, the husband murdering his wife and children, surely the neighbors will feel unsafe knowing a drug addict lives within their residential area. Even before their death, drug addicts have been living in humiliation and becoming burden upon others, that in the Hereafter they are promised severe punishment from Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala*.



However, we as a loving and caring society must not neglect these individuals. Let us not ignore and isolate them from us. Educate and aid them in rebuilding their self-identity that has been crushed and annihilated. Restore the self-confidence that was lost and provide that opportunity for them to rectify their previous mistakes. The Selangor Islamic Religious Council (MAIS) is offering assistance through its *zakaat ar-riqaab* funds that are channeled to two Centers and 25 MAIS *ar-Riqaab* Rehabilitation Homes, with the role of helping to rehabilitate and treat drug addicts from continuing to be shackled by drug abuse.

The reality is that drug addicts are capable of being cured if they have sincere intentions and strong determination to change and repent. But it is better to prevent, as in the Arabian proverb:

أَلْوَقَايَةُ خَيْرٌ مِنَ الْعِلَاجِ

"Prevention is better than cure."

Beloved Friday audience,

To end the sermon today, let us derive several lessons as guidance in our lives, as follows:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must avoid drugs because it is *haram* in Islam, only to inflict danger and destruction upon individuals, family, society, nation, and religion.
2. The Muslim *ummah* must avoid drugs for it destroys the function of the 'aql to the point of causing intoxication, hallucination, addiction, behavioral disorder, impairs one's own judgment, removes one's dignity and self-esteem, feeling that there is no value and meaning in life like a 'living corpse' whose demise can occur at any time and place.

3. The Muslim *ummah*, as leaders of the household, must spare quality time with the children and spouses, so that members of the household will always feel loved and appreciated.

4. The Muslim *ummah* must always strive, supplicate, and have *tawakkul* (reliance) in Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* while wading through the days to come, so that the spouses, progenies, and ourselves will be spared from plunging into drug addiction, which murders the soul and demolishes the future.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ
الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا وَعَمِلُوا الصَّالِحَاتِ طُوبَى لَهُمْ وَحَسُنَ مَا أَجْرُهُ ﴿٢٩﴾

“Those who have believed and done righteous deeds - a good state is theirs and a good return.”

(Soorah ar-Ra'd 13:29)

بَارِكْ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ
مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلْ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ
السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ.

أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِيْ 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 أَصْلِحْ أُمَّةَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَوُلَاةَ أُمُورِهِمْ وَجَمِيعَ الْمُسْلِمِينَ
اللَّهُمَّ إِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْأَمِينِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِأَسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنَى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمَى، أَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِينِ

عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصَّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا
الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُونِ، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه
الحاج ابن المرحوم سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحِ الدِّينِ عبد العزيز شاه
الحاج. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لِوَلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُونِ، تَعَكُّوْا اَمِيْرَ شَاهِ اِبْنِ
السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفِ الدِّينِ ادریس شاه الحاج، فِيْ اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكِرْمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمَوْظَفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيْقِ الْهُدَى وَالرِّشَادِ.

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 ﴿٢٠١﴾
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَانِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَىٰ وَيَنْهَىٰ
عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوا لَهُ عَلَىٰ نِعْمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا
تَصْنَعُونَ.