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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الْقَائِلِ : خُذْ مِنْ أَمْوَالِهِمْ صَدَقَةً تُطَهِّرُهُمْ وَتُزَكِّيهِمْ بِهَا
وَصَلِّ عَلَيْهِمْ إِنَّ صَلَاتَكَ سَكَنٌ لَهُمْ وَاللَّهُ سَمِيعٌ عَلِيمٌ.¹
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

Dear blessed Muslims,

I humbly 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 matters He prohibited. May we be bestowed with blissfulness and success in this world and Hereafter.

¹ at-Tawbah 9:103.

² Aal 'Imraan 3:102.

Dear beloved Muslims,

Following the hotly debated recent issue, which was said to be related to zakaat, let us altogether derive lessons and remain cognizant that zakaah is an *'ibaadah* (worship) that involves wealth, where it plays a huge role in aiding the *asnaf* (recipients) and boosting the economy of the Muslim *ummah*. Hence, today I will expound on a *khutbah* titled: **"FULFILL ZAKAAT THROUGH CERTIFIED COLLECTORS"** so that we will all comprehend the importance of fulfilling zakaat through valid channels and its disbursement with transparency to *asnaf* who are entitled to it.

Blessed Friday audience,

The *'ibaadah* of zakaah is an *'ibaadah* that involves the wealth and *maslahah* (public interest) of the Muslim *ummah*, and it is a very sensitive matter because it can be susceptible to misappropriation. Hence, Prophet Muhammad ﷺ had determined a clear principle whereby zakaat administration must be strictly regulated by the Ruler.

In the *hadeeth* of Abu Humayd as-Saa'idiy *radiyAllaahu 'anhu*, he narrated that the Prophet ﷺ had employed a man from the tribe of al-Azd named ibn al-Lutbiyyah as a zakaat collector. Upon returning, the man said:

هَذَا لَكُمْ وَهَذَا لِي، أُهْدِي لِي، قَالَ: فَقَامَ رَسُولُ اللَّهِ صَلَّى
اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ عَلَى الْمُنْبَرِ، فَحَمِدَ اللَّهَ وَأَثْنَى عَلَيْهِ، وَقَالَ:
مَا بَالُ عَامِلٍ أَبْعَثُهُ فَيَقُولُ: هَذَا لَكُمْ وَهَذَا أُهْدِي لِي، أَفَلَا

قَعَدَ فِي بَيْتِ أَبِيهِ أَوْ فِي بَيْتِ أُمِّهِ حَتَّى يَنْظُرَ أَيُّهُدَى إِلَيْهِ أُمٌّ
لَا

“(O Prophet (ﷺ)!) This is for you and this is mine because it was presented to me as gift.” Rasulullah (ﷺ) rose to the pulpit and praised Allah and extolled Him. Then he said, “I employ a man to do a job and he comes and says: ‘This is for you and this has been presented to me as gift?’ Why did he not remain in the house of his father or the house of his mother and see whether gifts will be given to him or not?”

(al-Bukhaari and Muslim)

This *hadeeth* indicates that zakaat management is placed under strict monitoring, which necessitates a high level of integrity among its ‘*aamileen*’ (collectors). Zakaat management must be administered in a systematic and transparent manner by the authority, as stipulated in al-Qur’an where Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta’aala* mentions in verse 103 of Soorah at-Tawbah that was recited at the beginning of the *khutbah*:

“Take, [O, Muhammad], from their wealth a charity by which you purify them and cause them increase...”

Dear noble Friday congregants,

In the state of Selangor, the Selangor Islamic Religious Council (MAIS), with the consent of His Majesty the Sultan of Selangor, has deputized the Selangor Zakaat Board (LZS) to manage all affairs regarding the collection and distribution of zakaah. Therefore, only legally appointed ‘*aamil*’ (collector) and assistant ‘*aamil*’ are authorized to administer affairs pertaining to zakaah.

It must be well understood that zakaat management is related to Islamic administrative affairs that is within the jurisdiction of the respective state. Each state has its own collection and disbursement system in ensuring the welfare of the recipients is administered in an orderly manner. Therefore, any external entity should not cross state borders to collect zakaah without the consent of the corresponding state authorities.

Such action not only violates the provisions of the law, but it can also interfere with zakaat distribution planning that has been determined. Hence, harming the rights of local *asnaf* who should be aided and empowered so that they will escape the shackles of adversity.

The fatwa that was gazetted on 20th January 2025 asserted that:

"Non-Governmental Organization (NGO), individuals or other organizations that collects zakaah in the State of Selangor or distributes them without the consent of His Royal Highness the Sultan or His authorized representative, namely Selangor Islamic Religious Council or Registered Trustee of Selangor Zakaat Board (MAIS), is deemed as invalid according to shar'ī rulings. Zakaat payment made to individuals or other organizations that are not legally authorized is rendered invalid and the payer is still not exempted from the obligation of fulfilling that zakaat."

In this regard, all parties must respect and abide by the fatwa of the state of Selangor specifically in matters of fulfilling zakaah. Zakaat collected from a particular state should be distributed to *asnaf* within that state. This is imperative in ensuring that the rights of local *asnaf* are preserved, at the same time preventing us from falling into matters that violate the *shara'* and the law.

Aside from that, the *Sharee'ah* Criminal Offenses (Selangor) Enactment 1995 stipulates that any entity that collects zakaat without authorization can be subjected to appropriate action, including fine or imprisonment. Similarly with individuals that fulfilled zakaah but not through legitimate channels and appointed 'aamil, can be subjected to the provisions of laws enforced.

Beloved Friday congregation,

In ensuring the effectiveness of zakaat distribution, Islam greatly demands for it to be administered with transparency and responsibility. This is because the collected zakaat funds are wealth whose recipients have been determined, especially the poor and needy, who has priority over other beneficiaries, as Allah *Subhaanahu Wa Ta'aala* mentions in verse 60 of Soorah at-Tawbah:

إِنَّمَا الصَّدَقَتُ لِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَالْعَمِلِينَ عَلَيْهَا وَالْمُؤَلَّفَةِ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَفِي الرِّقَابِ وَالْغَرَمِينَ وَفِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَأَبْنِ السَّبِيلِ فَرِيضَةً مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ..

“Zakaah expenditures are only for the poor and for the needy and for those employed to collect [zakaah] and for bringing hearts together [for Islam] and for freeing captives [or slaves] and for those in debt and for the cause of Allah and for the [stranded] traveler - an obligation [imposed] by Allah. And Allah is Knowing and Wise.”

Even though there is the zakaah distribution method by *wakaalah* that allows for the zakaat payer to disburse his own zakaah, however its

implementation must be under strict supervision by the Selangor Zakaat Board, in ensuring that distributions are made transparently and in accordance with the requirements of the *shara'*. Furthermore, the funds disbursed would maintain its status as zakaah that must be disbursed to deserving *asnaf*.

At the same time, the Muslim *ummah* must comprehend that zakat management cannot be executed haphazardly, including the matter of transferring zakaat wealth from one state to another. The act of moving out zakaat funds to another state is deemed as transferring zakaat property.

Imaam an-Nawawi mentioned in *Minhaaj at-Taalibeen*:

وَالْأَظْهَرُ مَنْعُ نَقْلِ الزَّكَاةِ

"And the most preferred view is that transferring zakaat is prohibited."

Zakaat should be prioritized upon the *asnaf* where one seeks his *rizq* (livelihood). If they are taken out to a different state without the permission of *Ulil Amr* (those in authority), the rights of the local *asnaf* will be neglected and injustice has been inflicted upon them. Such measure is truly irresponsible, for it is akin to stealing the rights of *asnaf* in this state.

We as Muslims, each one of us have a great role in defending the rights of the *asnaf* from being "usurped" by irresponsible parties. If anyone has any information regarding individuals or groups that collects zakaat without being certified, then please channel those details to the Selangor Islamic Religious Department (JAIS) for further actions. Do not remain silent and conceal the

wrongdoings that are taking place, for fear that we will be among those aiding *munkar* (evil) by oppressing and denying the rights of the beneficiaries.

In this regard, the Muslim *ummah* must comprehend that not only limited to zakaat, but any form of collection or fundraising from the public that involves the interests of the Muslims in the state of Selangor must obtain permission from the authorities, namely the Selangor Islamic Religious Council.

My brothers, fellow blessed Muslims,

To end the *khutbah* today, let us internalize upon several lessons as guidelines in our daily life:

1. The Muslim *ummah* must fulfill zakaah through certified '*aamileen*', for zakaah is an '*ibaadah*' that is subjected to the regulations of the authorities, in ensuring transparency until it reaches the deserving *asnaf*.
2. The Muslims must fulfill zakaah in the state where one resides or seeks livelihood.
3. The Selangor Zakaat Board must manage and supervise zakaah with full responsibility, transparency, and systematically. If there are unappointed parties found to collect zakaah, the Muslims must lodge a report to religious authorities.

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

إِنَّمَا وَلِيُّكُمُ اللَّهُ وَرَسُولُهُ وَالَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا الَّذِينَ يُقِيمُونَ الصَّلَاةَ وَيُؤْتُونَ الزَّكَاةَ وَهُمْ رُكَّعُونَ.

"Your ally is none but Allah and [therefore] His Messenger and those who have believed - those who establish prayer and give zakaah, and they bow [in worship]."

(Soorah al-Maa'idah 5:55)

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 أَنْزَلَ الشَّرِيعَةَ، هَدَى لِلنَّاسِ وَرَحْمَةً،
أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا
عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ. اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ وَبَارِكْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ
وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ وَمَنْ تَبِعَهُمْ بِإِحْسَانٍ إِلَى يَوْمِ الدِّينِ. أَمَّا
بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ أَوْصِيَكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ فَقَدْ
فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.

إِنَّ اللَّهَ وَمَلَائِكَتَهُ يُصَلُّونَ عَلَى النَّبِيِّ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا صَلُّوا عَلَيْهِ
وَسَلِّمُوا تَسْلِيمًا.³

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ
أَجْمَعِينَ.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِلْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، بِرَحْمَتِكَ يَا أَرْحَمَ الرَّاحِمِينَ.
اللَّهُمَّ أَعِزِّ الْإِسْلَامَ وَالْمُسْلِمِينَ، وَأَذِلَّ الشِّرْكَ وَالْمُشْرِكِينَ،
وَدَمِّرْ أَعْدَاءَ الدِّينِ، وَاجْعَلْ هَذَا الْبَلَدَ آمِنًا مُطْمَئِنًّا وَسَائِرَ
بِلَادِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ.

³ al-Ahzaab 33:56.

اَللّٰهُمَّ وَفِّقْ اَئِمَّةَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَوُلَاةَ اُمُوْرِهِمْ وَجَمِيْعَ الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ
لِمَا فِيْهِ صَلاَحُ الْبِلَادِ وَالْعِبَادِ.

اَللّٰهُمَّ اِنَّا نَسْأَلُكَ وَنَتَوَسَّلُ اِلَيْكَ بِنَبِيِّكَ الْاَمِيْنِ، وَنَسْأَلُكَ
بِاسْمَائِكَ الْحُسْنٰى، وَصِفَاتِكَ الْعُظْمٰى، اَنْ تَحْفَظَ بَعِيْنَ
عِنَايَتِكَ الرَّبَّانِيَّةِ، وَبِحِفْظِ وَقَايَتِكَ الصِّمَدَانِيَّةِ، جَلَالَةَ مَلِكِنَا
الْمُعَظَّمِ، سُلْطَانَ سَلَاطُوْر، سُلْطَانَ شَرَفُ الدِّيْنِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ
الْحَاجِ ابْنِ الْمَرْحُومِ سُلْطَانَ صَلَاحُ الدِّيْنِ عَبْدِ الْعَزِيْزِ شَاهِ
الْحَاجِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَدِمِ الْعَوْنَ وَالْهِدَايَةَ وَالتَّوْفِيْقَ، وَالصِّحَّةَ
وَالسَّلَامَةَ مِنْكَ، لَوْلِيِّ عَهْدِ سَلَاطُوْر، تَغْكُوْ اَمِيْر شَاهِ ابْنِ
السُّلْطَانَ شَرَفُ الدِّيْنِ اَدْرِيسِ شَاهِ الْحَاجِ، فِيْ اَمْنٍ وَصَلَاحٍ
وَعَافِيَةٍ بِمَنْكَ وَكَرَمِكَ يَا ذَا الْجَلَالِ وَالْاِكْرَامِ. اَللّٰهُمَّ اَطْلُ
عُمْرَهُمَا مُصْلِحِيْنَ لِلْمَوْظَفِيْنَ وَالرَّعِيَّةِ وَالْبِلَادِ، وَبَلِّغْ
مَقَاصِدَهُمَا لِطَرِيْقِ الْهُدٰى وَالرَّشَادِ.

O Allah! Strengthen the 'aqeedah of the Muslims upon the creed of *Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaa'ah*, which is upon the path of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ and his Companions *radiyAllaahu 'anhum*, as formulated by Imaam Abu Hasan al-Ash'ari and Imaam Abu Mansoor al-Maatureedi, practicing upon the

Shaafi'i *Madhhab* (juristic school of thought) while accepting the other three *madhaahib*, practicing *tasawwuf* upon the way of Imaam Junayd al-Baghdaadi and Imaam al-Ghazaali. Spare us from all forms of bribery and abuse of power, as well as misguidance and extremism, and protect us from *fitan* that can harm the union and unity of the Muslim *ummah*.

O Allah! Bestow peace and prosperity upon our state and nation. Protect us from all forms of disaster, fitnah and calamity. Bestow upon us leaders that have utmost integrity, firmness, and courage in upholding the Truth according to Your *Sharee'ah*.

O Allah! Protect the Muslim *ummah* and Masjid al-Aqsa in Palestine. Preserve them from oppression and evil, and bestow upon them steadfastness, strength, and victory.

رَبَّنَا هَبْ لَنَا مِنْ أَزْوَاجِنَا وَذُرِّيَّتِنَا قُرَّةَ أَعْيُنٍ وَاجْعَلْنَا لِلْمُتَّقِينَ إِمَامًا.⁴
رَبَّنَا ءَاتِنَا فِي الدُّنْيَا حَسَنَةً وَفِي الْآخِرَةِ حَسَنَةً وَقِنَا عَذَابَ النَّارِ.⁵
عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، إِنَّ اللَّهَ يَأْمُرُ بِالْعَدْلِ وَالْإِحْسَنِ وَإِيتَايَ ذِي الْقُرْبَى وَيَنْهَى
عَنِ الْفَحْشَاءِ وَالْمُنْكَرِ وَالْبَغْيِ يَعِظُكُمْ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَذَكَّرُونَ.⁶
فَاذْكُرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ يَذْكُرْكُمْ وَاشْكُرُوهُ عَلَى نِعَمِهِ يَزِدْكُمْ،
وَاسْأَلُوهُ مِنْ فَضْلِهِ يُعْطِكُمْ وَلَذِكْرُ اللَّهِ أَكْبَرُ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ مَا
تَصْنَعُونَ.

⁴ al-Furqaan 25:74.

⁵ al-Baqarah 2:201.

⁶ an-Nahl 16:90.

