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THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING WATER RESOURCES



I remind myself and my
beloved audience to have the
taqwa of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* by fulfilling all of
His Commands and avoiding
all of His prohibitions.

Truly indeed, the noblest ones
in the Sight of Allah

Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala are
those possessing utmost *taqwa*.

The title of today’s *khutbah* is:

*“The Importance Of
Preserving Water Resources.”*

Water is a substance or element that is vital for all forms of life on earth. Water covers almost 71% of the earth's surface. In the human body, approximately 55%-78% is made up of water.

Without water in our body, the cells will dry up and become lifeless, hence the importance of water for humans.

Therefore, Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala* has bestowed water upon us as a

drink, thirst quencher, and to fulfill our bodily need.

In terms of human civilization, history has recorded that most civilizations have originated from water sources, namely

the river. For example, the ancient Egyptian civilization was highly dependent on the Nile River. From the biological perspective, water possesses important properties for life to flourish.

In fact, all creations on earth
are heavily dependent on
water. Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata ‘aala* mentions in al-
Qur'an:

“...and made from water
every living thing? Then will
they not believe?”

(al-Anbiyaa' 21:30)

Alhamdulillaah, we must always be grateful for our nation is blessed with sources of water and can fulfil the need and demand of the masses in carrying out their daily activities.

However, due to the rapid development that leads to the nation's growth and progress, there is now a threat that needs to be greatly addressed, which is the environmental pollution

especially the severe harm and damage done upon the river system, a vital source of water for the masses. Although the sources of water are not yet cutoff, the clean water that can be

safely utilized by humans will continue to deplete if the conservation of water resources is not implemented.

The preservation of water resources includes protecting

sources of raw and natural water, efficient river management, ensuring water needs for the plants and animals are secured, and to gazette water catchment areas as permanent water

reserves. As it is known, the sources of raw and natural water in this nation are mainly obtained directly from the major rivers and dams that were built to store water. However, these clean

water resources are now under threat due to pollutions that are caused by humans themselves.

According to a study, approximately 70% of river pollution in Malaysia is due

to waste disposal. Garbage disposals, domestic wastes from residential areas, villages, squatters, factories, and also irresponsible attitude of the humans themselves, disposing toxic

wastes and littering everywhere, all these would serve as the main cause for river pollution. At times, these irresponsible individuals would litter as they please, disposing

leftover food, plastic bottles,
and other building materials
into our water sources.

Nowadays, the demand for
water from consumers
continue to skyrocket, so in
preserving the balance

between the demand for water by consumers and the total quantity of pure raw water, an initiative by the people with the cooperation between the state and federal governments should be

greater enhanced so as to avoid pollution and shortage of pristine, adequate, and safe water sources. We as consumers must aid the authorities in the conservation of water

resources. Among the measures that we can action upon is to be more responsible and sensitive in caring for the environment and water resources. We should become agents in

conveying information while aiding the authorities in preserving water sources by reporting any activities within the community that can lead to pollution. This is because those irresponsible

individuals that are causing pollution have actually committed an offense and evil because their immoral actions will only lead to difficulties for the entire society. Abu Sa‘eed

al-Khudri *radiyAllaahu 'anh*

reported: Rasulullah ﷺ said:

“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)

We must always remember,
that water is a bounty from
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*
that was entrusted upon us to
be utilized in the best manner.
However, if this gift is not
protected and

preserved as it should be, then
it is not impossible that this
bounty will be revoked by
Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*
slowly bit by bit, that there will
come a time where it will be
very difficult

to find clean water even if it is just a glass of water. When this happens, no one can restore the natural water except for Allah *Subhaanahu Wata‘aala* Alone.

This is because Allah *Subhaanahu*

Wata ‘aala has mentioned in al-Qur’an: “Say, “Have you considered: if your water was to become sunken [into the earth], then who could bring you flowing water?””

(al-Mulk 67:30)

Maybe during our present time, it never crossed our minds that our water resources will one day become destroyed. However, such phenomenon is never impossible and it behoove

our generation today to preserve our water resources in the best way possible for the sake of continuity for the future generations.

Therefore, measures that we must act upon are as follows:

1- We must have certainty and gratefulness that water resources truly originate from Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala* and it is our very duty to preserve them.

2- Everyone must be responsible in maintaining and ensuring that water sources are sufficiently conserved and protected.

3- Do not cause water pollution for it will cause

poisoning and further affect
human health and destroying
the environment.

4- The relevant authorities
must enhance their cooperation
for efficient water resources

management.

5- Since water is a free gift from Allah *Subhaanahu Wata ‘aala*, then it is unbefitting for anyone to take advantage of others for their own personal interest or

others, and encroaching upon
the rights of others on the face
of earth.

“And have you seen the water that you drink? Is it you who brought it down from the clouds, or is it We who bring it down?”

(al-Waaqi‘ah 56:68-69)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيْمِ وَنَفَعَنِي
وَإِيَّاکُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقَبَّلَ
مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتُهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ
قَوْلِيْ هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللَّهَ الْعَظِيْمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِيْنَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِيْنَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ
الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ
إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ

Once again, I would like to remind all of us that Islam teach its adherents to remain moderate in all actions and deeds. At the same time, the Muslims are to avoid any form of extremism in which its

**consequences will only disrupt
the harmony, unity, and
security of the Muslim ummah
and our nation. Extremism will
only give negative impression
upon the nobility and holiness
of al-Islam. On the contrary,
the Muslim**

ummah must inculcate noble akhlaaq, having utmost personality and attitude as true Muslims so that the world will know that Rasulullah (صلی اللہ علیہ وسلم) was sent down as a messenger, and Islam that was revealed is mercy

**for the entire nation and
universe.**

O Allah, You are the Lord that
is All Mighty, we are grateful to
You for having bestowed upon
us *rahmah* and *ni'mah*, that we
are able to continue the effort
in empowering the Muslim
ummah especially in Selangor,
as an

**advanced state, prosperous,
and providing welfare.**

**Hence, we sincerely beseech
you, O Allah, strengthen our
imaan, accept our deeds,
strengthen our unity, increase
our *rizq*, enrich us with**

**beneficial knowledge, cultivate
our soul with good mannerisms,
return us to the path that you
are pleased with, protect us
from disasters and your severe
trials, so that our nation will
become more peaceful and
filled with blessings.**

O Allah, we sincerely beseech you, strengthen our beliefs according to the creed of *Ahlus Sunnah wal-Jamaa‘ah*, and protect us from deeds and ‘aqeedah that are astray such as the extreme *Shee‘is*, *Qadiyani*, and other ideologies.

O Allah, open up our hearts in fulfilling the five daily prayers, performing *zakaat*, and other obligations. Bless those that have fulfilled their *zakaat* and loving the *fuqaraa'* and *masaakin*, and those that have

made *waqf* and gave up their wealth for *Tabung Amanah Pembangunan Islam Selangor* (Islamic Development Trust Fund of Selangor) with continuous reward until the Hereafter.

**O Allah, increase and widen the
rizq of those that made *waqf*
from their wealth with
perpetual rewards until the
Last Day.**



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