



جَابَاتَانِ اِلْعَالَمِيَّةِ اِسْلَامِيَّةِ سِلَانْجُور
JABATAN AGAMA ISLAM SELANGOR

DEFENDING THE
NATION IS A VIRTUE
IN ISLAM



Let us strive to have the
taqwa of Allah *Subhaanahu
Wata'aala* in its
absoluteness, by
performing all of His
Commands and avoiding all
of His

prohibitions. Truly, *taqwa* is the most important pillar and anchor in the effort to revive the glory of the soul and the Muslim *ummah*.

Furthermore, it is imperative in mobilizing efforts in the

struggle to attain salvation
in this world and the
Hereafter.

Let us altogether
contemplate upon today's
khutbah entitled:

*“Defending The Nation Is A
Virtue In Islam”*

The celebration of *Hari Pahlawan* (Warriors' Day) is truly meaningful to us, as true natives with deep love for the religion, citizens, and nation. Our national heroes, be they from the Army,

Royal Police, other security agencies, and also individuals whom are united collectively in defending the security and sovereignty of the nation. Not forgetting, those that had fought and

sacrificed for the sake of
the well-being of the
nation and Muslim *ummah*.
As the heir of this nation,
we realize that the
sacrifices of the previous
generations are truly
precious.

Hence, it becomes our very responsibility to remain prepared to continue and safeguard the heroic spirit, galvanize our united efforts, maintaining the unity of the people, and building the

nation's excelllence. Such are the preparations to be made in becoming a nation that is safe and prosperous, attaining the forgiveness and pleasure of Allah Subhaanahu Wata'aala.

Allah Subhaanahu
Wata'aala mentions in al-
Qur'an:

*“And prepare against
them whatever you are
able of power and of
steeds of war by which
you may terrify*

*the enemy of Allah and
your enemy and others
besides them whom you
do not know [but] whom
Allah knows. And whatever
you spend in the cause of
Allah will be fully repaid to
you,*

and you will not be wronged.”

(al-Anfaal 8:60)

Indeed, the peace and harmony achieved today did just not happen overnight, but they were the fruits of

labor from the sweat and blood of past heroes, whom had triggered the success of our nation today. Would we be able to enjoy today's scenario without the sacrifices of those before us?

Of course not. Hence, it behoove us to take lessons and examples from the fighting spirit manifested by past warriors, sacrificing whatever they could in achieving the mission and

vision of the nation. Malaysians should give due recognition to their national heroes. Their struggle should make us realize that with the freedom (independence) that was fought for and the

sanctity of the religion that is upheld, the sovereignty of the nation must be defended even with our lives. The willingness to defend the sovereignty of the land is an obligation.

History has proven that the mightiness of the Muslim army in the past was purely driven by the strength of their *imaan* and *ikhlaas* (sincerity), fighting purely for the sake of Allah

Subhaanahu Wata'aala
and His *Sharee'ah*, as well
as obedience to the
leader. They firmly held
onto Islamic teachings so
that they would not lose
guidance.

Allah Subhaanahu
Wata'aala mentions in al-
Qur'an:

*“And, [moreover], this is
My path, which is straight,
so follow it; and do not
follow [other] ways, for you*

will be separated from His way. This has He instructed you that you may become righteous.”

(al-An'aam 6:153)

Verily, factual evidences calling for *jihAAD* in the Path of Allah is closely intertwined with one's *imaan*, self-esteem, affection, loyalty, and sacrifice towards the religion

and nation as a whole. History has shown the persistence of the Muslim army since the glory days of Islam including the *khilaafah* of ‘Umayyah, ‘Abbaasiyyah, and ‘Uthmaaniyyah.

With heroic examples such as the conquering of Constantinople (Istanbul) by the Ottomans that depicted the greatness of Sultan Muhammad al-Faatih who later became the Sultan of

the Turkish Ottoman empire, these are all great exemplary for the Muslims. The army that conquered Constantinople were faithful warriors, having *tawaddu'* (humility), intelligence,

wisdom, and valor. They were successful in seizing Constantinople from the Romans.

The fall of Constantinople had facilitated and opened up the door for the spread of

Islam into Europe. On the 53rd day of the siege laid on Constantinople, the Sultan said: “*O my soldiers, I am prepared to die in the Path of Allah, so whoever desires martyrdom, then follow me.*”

According to narrations, he was very obedient upon Allah's Commands and never missed any of the obligatory prayers, supererogatory prayers (*rawaatib*), and night prayer

(*tahajjud*). By the will of Allah, he was able to withstand any circumstances that he was faced with, and did not easily surrender to defeat. Similar features were also witnessed with the great

warrior, Salahuddeen al-Ayyoobi, who was valiant in defeating the large army of Crusaders.

Such is the greatness of our heroes of the past that they strongly emphasized on the

firmness of *imaan* while defending their lands.

According to Dr Yoosuf al-Qaradaawi *hafidhahullaah*, a well-known contemporary ‘ulamaa, whom stated in his book “*al-Imaan*

wal-Hayaat" that among the core of strength of the believers are:

1- Belief in Allah

The believers are strong because they would derive strength and rely upon Allah

Alone. They firmly believe that Allah is always with them wherever they may be. Furthermore, Allah aids the believers that cling firmly upon His Wisdom.

2- Belief in the Truth

The believers garner strength from the Truth that they firmly believe in with conviction. He is not driven by his lust and sexual desire, not his personal interest,

not to defend a particular group, and not to oppress or abuse the rights of others.

3- Belief in Qadr

The believers derive their strength from their belief upon qadr.

He knows that everything
that befalls him happens by
the will of Allah. If all
humans and jinn would
gather to inflict calamity
upon him, it will not
endanger him except by
the Leave of Allah.

4- Belief in Brotherhood

The believers attain strength because he would strive and fight together alongside with his believing brethren, in aiding and defending the lands of his faithful brethren.

In commemorating
Warriors' Day this year, let
us all defend our nation by
taking measures as follows:
1- Strengthen our
commitment and love for
the nation based upon
Islamic

principles, striving fee
sabeelillaah.

2- The nation's heroes
must always equip
themselves with solid
imaan and the burning
desire to perfect the
amaanah and duty as a

warrior.

3- The Muslims must remain united, loving each other, strengthen real brotherhood in generating strength towards upholding the Symbols of Islam, for the

sake of defending the religion, citizens, and nation.

4- The Muslims should supplicate for the national heroes, whether those that have attained martyrdom or those that have returned to

their Lord, praying for their soul to be showered with mercy and forgiveness. For our warriors that are still standing strong, upholding the banner of struggles for the sake of the beloved

nation, we pray that they will remain *istiqaamah* in defending every inch of this land, even with their precious blood and soul.

“And do not say about those who are killed in the way of Allah, “They are dead.” Rather, they are alive, but you perceive [it] not.”

(al-Baqarah 2:54)

بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ
وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ
الْحَكِيمِ وَتَقْبِيلِ مِنِي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتُهُ أَنَّهُ هُوَ
السَّمِيعُ الْعَظِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ
اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِيْ وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ
وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ
مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ
بِإِنَّهُ 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 و سلم) 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'iis,
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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DISEDIAKAN OLEH:

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