

WAQF

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الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ نَحْمَدُهُ وَنَسْتَعِينُهُ وَنَسْتَغْفِرُهُ. وَنَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنْ شُرُورِ أَنْفُسِنَا وَمِنْ سَيِّئَاتِ

أَعْمَالِنَا. مَنْ يَهْدِهِ اللَّهُ فَلَا مُضِلَّ لَهُ وَمَنْ يُضِلِّهِ فَلَا هَادِيَ لَهُ.

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدَهُ وَرَسُولَهُ.

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.

أَمَّا بَعْدُ،

فِيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ، اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ وَأَوْصِيكُمْ وَإِيَّايَ بِتَقْوَى اللَّهِ، فَقَدْ فَازَ الْمُتَّقُونَ.



Let us increase our righteousness to Allah the Almighty by doing all that He prescribes and leaving all that He prohibits. May we be blessed by Him in this life and the hereafter.

Dear brothers and sisters

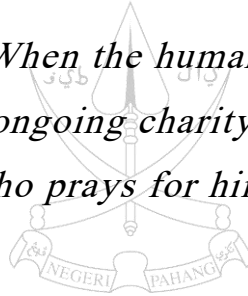
The practice of waqf (donating cash or property as charity for pious and religious causes) is highly demanded in Islam because it is a form of contribution to ensure that the social development of the community can be implemented as best as possible.

The reward from practising waqf will continue for the donor because the act of waqf is included in the category of sadaqah jariah (a continuous, flowing and ongoing charity). The rewards will continue to flow to the donor even after death as long as the waqf is used beneficially by the public.

The Prophet (pbuh) said in a hadith narrated by Imam Muslim from Abu Hurairah RadiAllahu Anhu:

إِلَّا مِنْ إِذَا مَاتَ الْإِنْسَانُ انْقَطَعَ عَنْهُ عَمَلُهُ إِلَّا مِنْ ثَلَاثَةٍ
صَدَقَةٍ جَارِيَةٍ، أَوْ عِلْمٍ يُنْتَفَعُ بِهِ، أَوْ وَلَدٍ صَالِحٍ يَدْعُو لَهُ

Which means: “When the human being dies, his deeds end except for three: ongoing charity, beneficial knowledge, or a righteous child who prays for him.”



Dear brothers and sisters

Allah the Almighty says in chapter 3 (surah Ali Imran) verse 92:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

لَنْ تَنَالُوا الْبِرَّ حَتَّى تُنْفِقُوا مِمَّا تُحِبُّونَ وَمَا تُنْفِقُوا مِنْ شَيْءٍ فَإِنَّ اللَّهَ بِهِ عَلِيمٌ ﴿٩٢﴾

Which means: *“You will never achieve righteousness until you donate some of what you cherish. And whatever you give is certainly well known to Allah”.*

When the companion of the Prophet (pbuh), Abu Talhah RA heard this verse, he immediately donated his most cherished property, the garden known as Bairuha'. He said to the Prophet (pbuh):

إِنَّ رَبَّنَا لَيَسْأَلُنَا مِنْ أَمْوَالِنَا فَأُشْهِدُكَ يَا رَسُولَ اللَّهِ أَنِّي جَعَلْتُ أَرْضِي لِلَّهِ



Which means: *“As Allah wants us to spend precisely that which we love, I make over that garden to be spent in the path of Allah as you please”.*



Dear brothers and sisters

In Pahang state, the sole trustee of waqf is the Pahang Islamic Religious and Malay Customs Council's (Muip) and anyone who wants to make waqf must first apply to Waqf Pahang MUIP that accepts and manages it.

The public can make waqf in cash as low as RM5.00 through any Pahang Zakat Collection Center office throughout the state of Pahang. Waqf through monthly salary deductions can also be made as well as waqf online at any time through the Pahang Waqf MUIP portal. This cash waqf will be used for five core purposes; namely religion, education, health, economy and social.

Dear brothers and sisters

The Prophet (pbuh) said in a hadith narrated by at-Tirmidzi:

السَّخِيُّ قَرِيبٌ مِّنَ اللَّهِ قَرِيبٌ مِّنَ الْجَنَّةِ قَرِيبٌ مِّنَ النَّاسِ بَعِيدٌ مِّنَ النَّارِ، وَالْبَخِيلُ بَعِيدٌ
مِّنَ اللَّهِ بَعِيدٌ مِّنَ الْجَنَّةِ بَعِيدٌ مِّنَ النَّاسِ قَرِيبٌ مِّنَ النَّارِ

Which means: “*The generous one is near to Allah, near to Paradise, near to the people, and far from the Hellfire. The miserly one is far from Allah, far from Paradise, far from the people, and near to hellfire.*”

Remember that the wealth we have today is a loan from Allah the Almighty. Therefore, let us be generous and not miserly so that we can perform waqf with the wealth that we have.

Indeed, many among the companions of the Prophet (pbuh) have performed waqf. Sayyidina Abu Bakar as-Siddiq RadiAllahu Anhu waqf his land in Makkah, Sayyidina Umar al-Khattab RadiAllahu Anhu waqf his land in Khaibar. In fact, there are many more among them who also performed waqf for the benefit of Muslims. Allah the Almighty says in chapter 2 (surah Al-Baqarah) verse 272:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

وَمَا تُنْفِقُوا مِنْ خَيْرٍ فَلَا نَنْفُسِكُمْ وَمَا تُنْفِقُونَ إِلَّا ابْتِغَاءَ وَجْهِ اللَّهِ

وَمَا تُنْفِقُوا مِنْ خَيْرٍ يُوفَّ إِلَيْكُمْ وَأَنْتُمْ لَا تُظْلَمُونَ

Which means: “Whatever you believers spend in charity, it is for your own good—as long as you do so seeking the pleasure of Allah. Whatever you donate will be paid back to you in full, and you will not be wronged.”

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، وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ

وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ فَيَا فَوْزَ الْمُسْتَغْفِرِينَ وَيَا نَجَاةَ التَّائِبِينَ.