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

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

وَأَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ سَيِّدَنَا مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ.

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 Allah the Almighty in this life and the hereafter.

**Dear brothers and sisters**

We have spent 10 days of the month of Syawal. The celebration of Hari Raya (Eid al-Fitr) continues throughout the month of Syawal with open house activities organized either by individuals, housing estates or government and private agencies. The concept of Eid al-Fitr is often associated with waste. Spending ringgit money to buy excessively or buy something that can bring harm such as firecrackers and fireworks is a misdeed from the religious point of view. Maybe this waste happens because our society lives in luxury. It should be remembered that Islam never teaches its believers to exaggerate or go overboard in celebrating any festival.

The arrival of Syawal should convince us to be mindful behind the meaning of victory and success in celebrating Eid al-Fitr. Usually, waste during Eid al-Fitr celebrations occurs due to lack of careful planning and lack of awareness in understanding the true concept of celebrating this occasion. Significant waste can be seen during the hosting of open house events held by various parties throughout the month of Syawal.

The open house events that are organized seem to be a food festival for the guests present so much so that they become reckless and follow their hearts desire by taking excessive food, causing the food to not be fully consumed and eventually be thrown away. Allah the Almighty says in chapter 17 (surah al-Isra') verse 27:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

إِنَّ الْمُبْدِرِينَ كَانُوا إِخْوَانَ الشَّيْطَانِ ط وَكَانَ الشَّيْطَانُ لِرَبِّهِ كَفُورًا ﴿٧﴾

Which means: “Surely the wasteful are like brothers to the devils. And the Devil is ever ungrateful to his Lord.”

The Prophet (pbuh) said in a hadith narrated by Imam Ahmad:

كُلُوا، وَاشْرَبُوا، وَتَصَدَّقُوا، وَالْبَسُوا، فِي غَيْرِ مَخِيلَةٍ، وَلَا سَرَفٍ

Which means: “Eat, drink and dress without being overbearing and arrogant.”

Based on the Qur'anic verse and the hadith of the Prophet (pbuh), Islam does not forbid its believers to spend, but Islam teaches them to spend wisely, that is, to spend moderately and not extravagantly. When spending to celebrate Eid al-Fitr, we should also remember the plight of our fellow believers, especially Muslims in Palestine, who celebrate Eid al-Fitr in poverty, misery and deprivation. They too desire happiness like everyone else.

Therefore, it is pertinent that we keep away from wasteful practices by encouraging charitable practices such as *sadaqah* (giving charity). A little help or contribution that we extend to the less fortunate group is provided with a reward from Allah the Almighty. They will also appreciate the gift and feel that we always



remember them. This kind of practice will indirectly reflect the true purpose of the Eid al-Fitr celebration, thus giving birth to a loving society.

Dear brothers and sisters

Let us stay away from wasteful acts during the celebration of Eid al-Fitr throughout the month of Syawal. Avoid wasting the wealth and abundance of sustenance that Allah the Almighty has bestowed upon us, so that we are not described as brothers of the devil. Instead, welcome the festivities of Eid al-Fitr with complete prudence without being swayed by inappropriate actions, namely by highlighting the attitude of *istiqamah* (steadfastness) in expressing a sense of gratitude and gratefulness throughout the month of Ramadan

Allah the Almighty says in chapter 25 (al-Furqan) verse 67:

أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ

وَالَّذِينَ إِذَا أَنْفَقُوا لَمْ يُسْرِفُوا وَلَمْ يَقْتُرُوا وَكَانَ بَيْنَ ذَلِكَ قَوَامًا

Which means: “*They are those who spend neither wastefully nor stingily, but moderately in between.*”

بَارَكَ اللهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ فِي الْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ
الآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ، وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ، إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ
الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُ اللهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ، وَلِسَائِرِ
الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ، وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ
الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.