



1	 <p>THE ALL-OUT WAR AGAINST DRUGS <i>In conjunction with the International Anti-Drugs Day 2016</i> 29 July 2016AD / 24 Syawal 1437H</p>
2	الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ الَّذِي عَلَّمَ وَأَنْعَمَ، وَهَدَانَا بِالْقُرْآنِ لِلَّتِي هِيَ أَقْوَمُ،
3	قَالَ تَعَالَى: أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِنَّمَا الْخَمْرُ وَالْمَيْسِرُ وَالْأَنْصَابُ وَالْأَزْلَامُ رِجْسٌ مِّنْ عَمَلِ الشَّيْطَانِ فَاجْتَنِبُوهُ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَفْلِحُونَ ﴿٩٠﴾
4	أَشْهَدُ أَنْ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا اللَّهُ وَحْدَهُ لَا شَرِيكَ لَهُ، لَهُ الْمُلْكُ وَهُوَ عَلَى كُلِّ شَيْءٍ قَدِيرٌ، وَأَشْهَدُ أَنَّ مُحَمَّدًا عَبْدُهُ وَرَسُولُهُ.
5	اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ وَسَلِّمْ عَلَى سَيِّدِنَا وَمَوْلَانَا مُحَمَّدٍ وَعَلَى آلِهِ وَأَصْحَابِهِ أَجْمَعِينَ.
6	أَمَّا بَعْدُ، فَيَا عِبَادَ اللَّهِ اتَّقُوا اللَّهَ حَقَّ تَقَاتِهِ وَلَا تَمُوتُنَّ إِلَّا وَأَنْتُمْ مُسْلِمُونَ.
7	Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah, Let us together increase the level of our faith and conviction in Allah SWT vigorously by performing all that He has commanded and avoiding all that He has prohibited. May we be blessed with happiness in this world and in the everlasting Hereafter. Such is the real success aspired by those who are faithful and full of conviction.
8	In conjunction with the International Anti-Drugs Day observed this year, the <i>mimbar</i> today shall discuss the sermon entitled, " The All-Out War Against Drugs ".
9	Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,



	In conjunction with the International Anti-Drugs Day this year, the <i>mimbar</i> would like to remind the congregation that drugs is still the main cause of crime and is the Number One enemy of the nation. Every day we are exposed to ever increasing cases of drug abuse among young people, especially teenagers and young Malay Muslims.
10	Statistics show that in the first three (3) months of this year alone, the number of drug addicts detected was about seven thousand two hundred sixty one (7,261 people). From this total, five thousand five hundred sixty four (5,564) were new addicts. This indicates that there has been an increase of thirty nine percent (39%) compared to last year.
11	Imagine if the percentage continues to increase, what would the fate of the country be in the future if these youths inherit it? How can they contribute to its political stability, economic strength and progress if they are involved in drugs and drug addiction?
12	Remember, the ban on drug abuse is based on the ban on liquor, for both of these elements lead to intoxication that damages the brain. The <i>mimbar</i> would like to call upon Muslims to always refrain from being associated with drug addiction or alcohol.
13	Although various awareness and preventive campaigns have been carried out by the authorities, the eradication of drug abuse and addiction has not been successful. Therefore, to coincide with the International Anti-Drugs Day theme this year, which is " <i>The All-out War Against Drugs</i> ", the <i>mimbar</i> would like to call the congregation to jointly perform their roles to ensure that drug addiction can be eradicated completely.
14	Allah SWT declared in Surah At-Tahrim, verse 6: <p style="text-align: center;">يَأْتِيهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا قُوًا أَنفُسِكُمْ وَأَهْلِيكُمْ نَارًا وَقُودُهَا النَّاسُ وَالْحِجَارَةُ عَلَيْهَا مَلَائِكَةٌ غِلَظٌ شِدَادٌ لَا يَعْصُونَ اللَّهَ مَا أَمَرَهُمْ وَيَفْعَلُونَ مَا يُؤْمَرُونَ ﴿٦﴾</p>



15	<p>Which means: “O, you who believe! Save yourselves and your families from a Fire whose fuel is Men and Stones (Idols), over which are (appointed) angels stern (and) severe, who flinch not (from executing) the Commands they receive from Allah, but do (precisely) what they are commanded.”</p>
16	<p>The reality of today, according to <i>Berita Harian</i>, is that Malaysia is not only known as a drug transit country, but is now also known as a country that produces synthetic drugs. Synthetic drugs produced here, especially <i>Syabu</i> (methamphetamine), are considered to be of high quality because the process is masterminded by foreign experts, especially those from Iran.</p>
17	<p>What makes <i>Syabu</i> easily produced here is because the raw materials for production can easily be brought in, or obtained from the local market. As a result, the value of <i>Syabu</i> seized by the authorities throughout the country last year reached more than RM145 million, more than the RM49 million worth of seized heroin, RM4.5 million worth of seized marijuana and RM59 million worth of seized drugs and other illicit pills. The total amount of seizures mentioned absolutely infuriates and saddens us.</p>
18	<p>Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah,</p> <p>The efforts to prevent drug addiction should not be undertaken by certain parties only. In line with the slogan of the <i>Agensi Anti Dadah Kebangsaan</i> (National Anti Drugs Agency), AADK, namely “<i>Ambil Kisah, Ambil Tindakan</i>” ("Take Note, Take Action"), it shows that such efforts require the involvement of all parties, including government agencies, non-governmental organizations, educational institutions, employers, neighbourhood watch groups, and even individual members of society from various levels.</p>
19	<p>The task of eliminating drug trafficking is one of the measures which should be implemented through law enforcement, including tightening checks at border checkpoints and airports. The responsible agencies involved include the Anti-Smuggling Unit, Royal Malaysian Customs Department, Immigration Department, police and so on.</p>



20	If the illicit drugs can be stopped or restricted from entering the country, it will make it difficult for addicts to obtain their drug supply. If the smuggling of drugs can be eliminated from the source, including capturing the distributors and producers of drugs, the supply and availability of drugs in this country could definitely be reduced, or even eliminated altogether.
21	Similarly, for synthetic drugs, the Ministry of Health and other relevant agencies, should control the availability of the materials used to produce such drugs, by limiting the number of purchases of such materials by each individual.
22	The involvement of non-governmental bodies is also greatly needed in this worthy and noble effort. Not only through awareness campaigns but also through joint activities with drug addicts, such as rehabilitation programmes, the instilling of good values, the building of self-confidence and other related activities. Even if these efforts are only put together and executed by the AADK, but with the involvement of NGOs, these campaigns to rehabilitate drug addicts would definitely be enhanced.
23	Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah, Education is a fundamental aspect in the delivery of knowledge to students, be it at school level or at higher education level. Thus, educational institutions should take this opportunity to expose students to the dangers of drug abuse, the effects and prevention. Establish cooperation with the AADK and the police in designing drug awareness programs regarding drug abuse which are more effective and could have greater impact on the students.
24	As for the employment sector, every employer should take the responsibility in efforts to prevent drug abuse. The types of work determines the different risks involved. The higher the risk, the more the chances of drugs being abused, especially in work related to manufacturing, construction, mining and so on. Employees who require maximum energy while working would choose to take drugs as an easy way out to achieve their goals.



25	Therefore, every employer must ensure that their employees comply with the laws and regulations. If there are employees who are involved in drug abuse, employers should immediately take stern action by terminating their employment.
26	The <i>mimbar</i> would like to invite the congregation to ponder and reflect, as parents, whether we want to see the lives of our children destroyed and are insulted daily, and if we, as the offspring, would like to witness our parents suffer the shame for having a child whose future is destroyed, due to drug abuse? Therefore, let us together take on the role and responsibility to fight drug abuse and addiction.
27	Be a concerned member of the society when it comes to the problem of drug abuse in the community and environment. If there are incidents of drug abuse in our neighbourhoods, we must take action before it becomes a cancer that destroys the future of our youths.
28	Neighbourhood Watch groups were created in the neighbourhoods so that we could act concertedly in combating drug abuse. This responsibility also falls within the category of " <i>Amar Makruf Nahi Mungkar</i> " ("Enjoining good and forbidding evil").
29	<p>Reflect on the advice of Rasulullah SAW, in a hadith narrated by Abu Sa'id al-Khudri RA and recorded by Imam Muslim rahimahullah:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">مَنْ رَأَى مِنْكُمْ مُنْكَرًا فَلْيُغَيِّرْهُ بِيَدِهِ فَإِنْ لَمْ يَسْتَطِعْ فَبِلِسَانِهِ فَإِنْ لَمْ يَسْتَطِعْ فَبِقَلْبِهِ وَذَلِكَ أَوْعَفُ الْإِيمَانِ</p>
30	Which means: " <i>Whoever among you sees evil, let him change it with his hand (his own will). If he is unable, then let him change it with his tongue (his advice). If he is still unable, then let him change it with his heart (by not approving of it), and that is the weakest of faith.</i> "
31	Fellow Muslims blessed by Allah, To conclude the sermon, let us take some of the lessons from it, which are



	<p>as follows:</p> <p>First: The task of combating drug abuse is the responsibility of all parties, such as the government, the society, government bodies and non-governmental organisations, employers and employees.</p> <p>Second: An all-out war against drug abuse is part of “<i>Amar Makruf Nahi Mungkar</i>”. ("Enjoining good and forbidding evil") which must be undertaken to preserve Islam from destruction.</p> <p>Third: Shield and protect our children from being involved in drug abuse, because they are our successors, our next generation.</p>
32	<p>Allah SWT says in Surah al-Maidah verse 91:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">أَعُوذُ بِاللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيْطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ</p> <p>إِنَّمَا يُرِيدُ الشَّيْطَانُ أَنْ يُوقِعَ بَيْنَكُمُ الْعَدَاوَةَ وَالْبَغْضَاءَ فِي الْخَمْرِ وَالْمَيْسِرِ وَيَصُدَّكُمْ عَنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَعَنِ الصَّلَاةِ فَهَلْ أَنْتُمْ مُنْتَهُونَ ﴿٩١﴾</p>
33	<p>Which means: “Satan's plan is (but) to excite enmity and hatred between you, with intoxicants and gambling, and hinder you from the remembrance of Allah, and from prayer: will you not then abstain?”</p>
34	<p>بَارَكَ اللَّهُ لِي وَلَكُمْ بِالْقُرْآنِ الْعَظِيمِ، وَنَفَعَنِي وَإِيَّاكُمْ بِمَا فِيهِ مِنَ الْآيَاتِ وَالذِّكْرِ الْحَكِيمِ، وَتَقَبَّلَ مِنِّي وَمِنْكُمْ تِلَاوَتَهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ السَّمِيعُ الْعَلِيمُ. أَقُولُ قَوْلِي هَذَا وَأَسْتَغْفِرُوا اللَّهَ الْعَظِيمَ لِي وَلَكُمْ وَلِسَائِرِ الْمُسْلِمِينَ وَالْمُسْلِمَاتِ وَالْمُؤْمِنِينَ وَالْمُؤْمِنَاتِ الْأَحْيَاءِ مِنْهُمْ وَالْأَمْوَاتِ، فَاسْتَغْفِرُوهُ إِنَّهُ هُوَ الْغَفُورُ الرَّحِيمُ.</p>