

**THE MANAGEMENT OF *FATWĀ* REGARDING *TAŞAWWUF* AT
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ABSTRAK

Kajian ini bertujuan untuk mengkaji tentang pengurusan *fatwā taṣawwuf* di Malaysia yang dikendalikan oleh jabatan Mufti Negeri Sembilan. Kajian ini membincangkan peranan penting Mufti Negeri Sembilan terhadap *tariqah taṣawwuf* seperti perkembangan *Tariqah taṣawwuf*, ciri-ciri, pengamalan dan pelaksanaan *tariqah taṣawwuf* yang tepat terhadap masyarakat Islam di Negeri Sembilan. Kajian ini menggunakan kaedah deskriptif dan penyelidikan interpretatif terhadap Jabatan Mufti yang menguruskan *fatwā tariqah taṣawwuf* di Negeri Sembilan. Penyelidikan dilakukan di sekitar Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia yang memfokuskan kepada Jabatan Mufti Negeri Sembilan dan *shaykh Tariqah Naqshabandiyyah Khalidiyyah*. Hasil kajian: Salah satu hasil kajian yang paling penting ialah pentadbiran *fatwā* secara sistematik oleh Jabatan Mufti Negeri Sembilan yang menunjukkan perkembangan positif khususnya mengenai garis panduan *fatwā taṣawwuf* di Negeri Sembilan. Kedua, menurut rekod terbaru pada tahun 2019, sebanyak 14 *tariqah* telah diletakkan di bawah pengurusan *tariqah taṣawwuf* Negeri Sembilan. Ketiga, semua *tariqah* yang didaftarkan di Negeri Sembilan mengikuti ajaran Syariat Islam. Saranan kajian: Pertama, usaha yang dilakukan oleh jabatan mufti Negeri Sembilan diharapkan dapat menjadi contoh bagi negeri lain di Malaysia untuk memastikan semua *tariqah taṣawwuf* disebarkan sesuai dengan undang-undang Islam, prinsip-prinsip Al-Quran dan Al-Sunnah, serta menjauhkan dari kepercayaan yang menyimpang. Kedua, peranan Jabatan Mufti Negeri Sembilan belum diterokai secara mendalam mengenai peranannya dalam *tariqah taṣawwuf*. Peranan Jabatan Mufti ini penting untuk memastikan bahawa pengetahuan mengenai *tariqah* lebih dikenali oleh orang ramai terutamanya Jabatan Mufti di negeri lain. Ketiga, hasil kajian ini juga diharapkan dapat dijadikan pedoman untuk menjawab perselisihan dan pertuduhan pihak-pihak yang mempertikaikan pandangan dengan kelompok *tariqah taṣawwuf* berkenaan dengan amalan yang terkandung dalam *tariqah*.

Kata kunci: *Fatwā*, *Tariqah*, *Taṣawwuf*, Mufti, *Shaykh*

ABSTRACT

The study aims to study the management of *Fatwā* in Malaysia as managed by the Mufti Department of Negeri Sembilan. The Mufti Department of Negeri Sembilan is one of the Mufti Departments that deal with *Fatwā* on *Taşawwuf*. The study discussed the important roles of the Negeri Sembilan Mufti towards *tariqah taşawwuf*, such as development of knowing *tariqah taşawwuf*, its characteristics, practicing, confirming, and implementing the accurate *tariqah taşawwuf* towards Muslim community in Negeri Sembilan. The study used descriptive method and interpretive investigation towards the Mufti Department managing the *Fatwā* of *tariqah taşawwuf* in Negeri Sembilan. The research site is Negeri Sembilan, Malaysia, focussing on the Mufti Department of Negeri Sembilan, and one of the *shaykh* of *Tariqah* which is *Tariqah Naqsyabandiyah Khalidiyyah*. The results of the study indicated that; firstly, one of the most important results of the study is systematic administration of the *Fatwā* by the Mufti Department of Negeri Sembilan indicate the positive development of the *Fatwā* on *taşawwuf* guidelines in Negeri Sembilan. Secondly, according to the latest record in 2019, a total of 14 *Tariqahs* have been placed under the management of the *tariqah taşawwuf* of Negeri Sembilan. Thirdly, all the *tariqah* registered in Negeri Sembilan followed the teaching of Shariah Islamiyyah. Recommendations of the study include; firstly, the effort by the Negeri Sembilan Mufti Department is expected to be an example for other states in Malaysia to keep all the *tariqah taşawwuf* propagated in accordance with Islamic law, the principles of the Al-Quran and Al-Sunnah, as well as away from deviant beliefs. Secondly, the Negeri Sembilan Mufti Department has not been explored deeply on its role in the *tariqah taşawwuf*. The role of this Mufti Department is important to ensure that the knowledge of *tariqah* is more known for the public especially by the Mufti Departments in other states. Thirdly, the results of this study are also expected to be used as guidelines to answer the disputes and the charge of the parties who disputed the view with the group of *tariqah taşawwuf* regarding to the practice contained in the *tariqah*.

Keywords: *Fatwā*, *Tariqah*, *Taşawwuf*, Mufti, *Shaykh*

الملخص

تهدف الدراسة إلى إدارة الفتوى في ماليزيا التي يديرها إدارة المفتي بنيجري سمبيلان على الخصوص. ناقشت الدراسة الأدوار المهمة ل إدارة المفتي بنيجري سمبيلان تجاه طريقة التصوف كتطور معرفة خصائصها، وممارستها، وتنفيذ الطريقة الدقيقة للتوفيق والفهم الصحيح تجاه المجتمع المسلم في نيجري سمبيلان. استخدمت الدراسة المنهج الوصفي والتحقيق التفسيري قام فيها المفتي بإدارة فتوى طريقة الطوف في نيجري سمبيلان. موقع البحث كان نيجري سمبيلان ، ماليزيا ركن على مفتي دائرة نيجري سمبيلان وأحد شيخ الطريقة وهي الطريقة النقشندية الخالدية. نتائج الدراسة: من أهم نتائج الدراسة الإدارية المنهجية للفتاوى من قبل إدارة المفتي بنيجري سمبيلان، مما يدل على التطور الإيجابي للفتوى في توجيهات التحالف في نيجري سمبيلان. ثانيًا ، وفقًا على تسجيل الطرق الصوفية في عام 2019 ، وهي أربعة عشر الطرق الصوفية مسجلة بإدارة الطرق الصوفية بنيجري سمبيلان. ثالثًا، اتبعت جميع الطرق الصوفية المسجلة بنيجري سمبيلان تعاليم الشريعة الإسلامية الصحيحة. توصيات الدراسة: أولاً ، يُتوقع أن يكون هذا الجهد الذي يبذله إدارة المفتي بنيجري سمبيلان مثالاً يحتذى به للولايات الأخرى في ماليزيا للإبقاء على نشر تعاليم الطرق الصوفية وفقًا للشريعة الإسلامية ومبادئ القرآن والسنة، وكذلك الابتعاد عن المعتقدات المنحرفة. ثانيًا ، لم يتم استكشاف دور إدارة المفتي بنيجري سمبيلان بعمق فيما يتعلق بدور إدارة المفتي بنيجري سمبيلان في الطرق الصوفية. دور هذا إدارة المفتي مهمة للتأكد من أن المعرفة بالطريقة معروفة أكثر للمسلمين بماليزيا وخاصة إدارة المفتي في الولايات الأخرى. ثالثًا، من المتوقع أيضًا استخدام نتائج هذه الدراسة كموجهات إرشادية للرد على الخلافات وتهمه الطرق الصوفية التي اعترضت على الطرق الصوفية فيما يتعلق بتعاليمها.

الكلمات الدالة: الفتوى، الطريقة، التصوف، المفتي، الشيخ.

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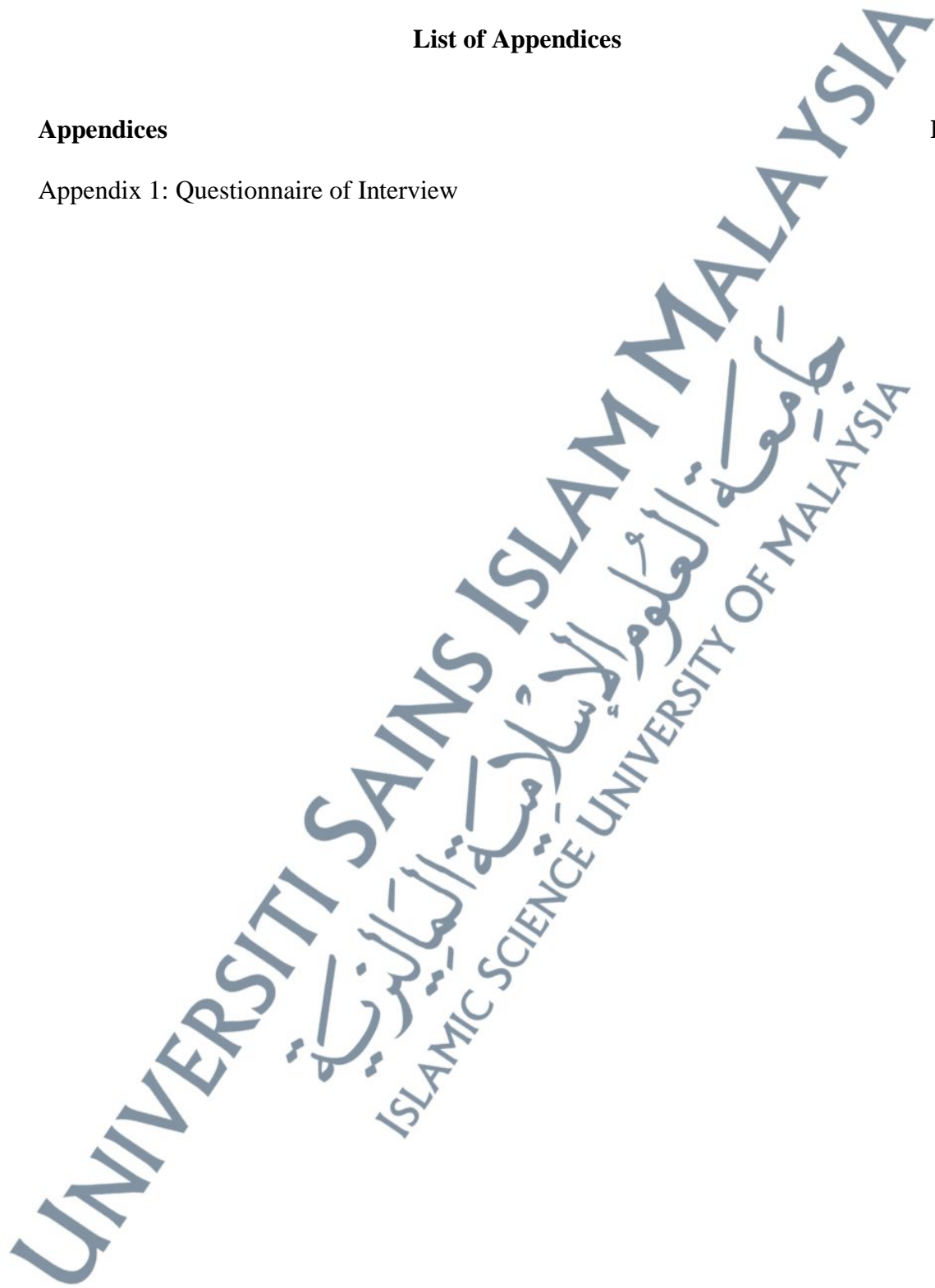
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GLOSSARY

<i>Sufi</i>	Practitioners of Sufism
<i>Suluk</i>	The spiritual Journey
<i>Nahw</i>	“The arrangement of word and phrases to create well-formed sentences in a language
<i>Fiqh</i>	The theory or philosophy of Islamic law, based on the teaching of the Quran and the Sunnah
<i>Fuqahā’</i>	Islamic jurist, an expert in fiqh, or Islamic jurisprudence and Islamic Law.
<i>Ihsan</i>	Spiritual excellence
<i>Mansukh</i>	Abrogated
<i>Ism ‘fa’il</i>	Arabic Grammer
<i>Muamalat</i>	The ruling governing commercial transaction between the parties involved
<i>Munakahat</i>	The ruling related to family law. This area deals with marriage, divorce, inheritance, guardianship and other related matters.
<i>Khalwah</i>	seclusion
<i>Mahabbah</i>	Love/Affection
<i>Tawbah</i>	Repentance/repudiation
<i>Qalb</i>	Heart/soul
<i>Ijtihad</i>	the independent or original interpretation of problems not precisely covered by the Qur’ān, Hadith (traditions concerning the Prophet Muhammad’s life and utterances), and ijma’ (scholarly consensus)
<i>Silsilah</i>	chain, link, connection often used in various senses of lineage. In particular, it may be translated as "(religious) order" or "spiritual genealogy" where one Sufi Master transfers his khilfat to his spiritual descendant
<i>Shaykh/Mursyid</i>	Teacher
<i>Talqin</i>	Used when the Shaykh or Murshid says something, and the murid repeats it back to him
<i>Bai’ah</i>	The pledge or rite of initiation into a Sufi Tariqa
<i>Ta’wil</i>	Interpretation or allegorical interpretation

<i>Ma'rifat</i>	mystical intuitive knowledge of spiritual truth reached through ecstatic experiences, rather than revealed or rationally acquired.
<i>Tawajjuh</i>	Spiritual transmission
<i>Ribat</i>	The school of sufi

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**ARABIC WORDS TRANSLITERATION SYSTEM
TRANSLITERATION TABLE**

1. ALPHABET

<u>Transliteration</u>	<u>Example</u>	<u>Latin</u>	<u>Arabic</u>
fa'r	فأر	‘	ء
burd	برد	b	ب
tall	تل	t	ت
ṭhawb	ثوب	th	ث
jidār	جدار	j	ج
Ḥalīb	حليب	h	ح
khādim	خادم	kh	خ
dīk	ديك	d	د
ḡhahab	ذهب	dh	ذ
rafīq	رفيق	r	ر
zamīl	زميل	z	ز
salām	سلام	s	س
šha’ab	شعب	šh	ش
šak’hr	صخر	š	ص
ḡayq	ضيق	d	ظ
tālib	طالب	t	ط
zalim	ظالم	z	ظ
‘aql	عقل	‘	ع
ḡhulām	غالم	ḡh	غ

fīl	فيل	f	ف
qalb	قلب	q	ق
kalām	كلام	k	ك
lubb	لب	l	ل
māl	مال	m	م
najm	نجم	n	ن
hawl	هول	h	ه
waraq	ورق	w	و
yamm	يم	y	ي

2. Short Vowel

Arabic	Latin	Example	Transliteration
اَ	a	كاتب	Kataba
اِ	i	علم	'alima
اِ	e	غولبا	Ghuliba

3. Long Vowel

Arabic	Latin	Example	Transliteration
اَ، اِ	ā	عالم، فتى	'ālim, fatā
اِ	ī	عاليم، داعي	'ālīm, dā'ī
اِ، اِ	ū	علوم، أدعو	'ulūm, Ad'ū

4. Diphthong

Arabic	Latin	Example	Transliteration
و	aw	نوم	nawm
ي	ay	ليل	layl
يَ	iy	شافي	shafi`yy (ending)
وَ	uww	علو	`uluww (ending)

5. Exemption

5.1 Arabic letter ء (hamzah) found at the beginning of a word is translated to the letter “a” and not to’.

Example : أكبر transliterated to: akbar not (*akbar)

5.2 Arabic letter ة (ta’ marbutah) found in a word without ال (al) which is coupled with another word that contains ال at the beginning of it is transliterated to the letter “t”. Example: مكتبة الإمام transliterated to : maktabat al-imām. However, if the Arabic letter ة (ta’ marbutah) found in a word without ال (al), in a single word or in the last word in a sentence, it is transliterated to the letter “h”. example المكتبة الأهلية translated to : maktabah al-ahliyyah.

ABBREVIATIONS

Dr.	doctor
p.	page
Prof	Professor
SWT	Subhānahu Wa Ta‘ālā
SAW	Sallallāhu ‘Alaihi Wa Sallām
AS	‘Alaihis-salām
RA	Raḍiyyahallāhu ‘Anhu/ Raḍiyyahallāhu ‘Anhuma
i.e	explanation for the previous statement
SS	Sahibus Samahah
BTT	Bahagian <i>Tariqah Taṣawwuf</i>
JTS	Jilsah al-Turuq al-Sufiyyah