

Consideration of Local Wisdom Elements in The Concept of Fiqh Sabahi: A Literature Review

ABSTRACT

Every society develops its own culture through interactions with various civilizations and religions, often resulting in the synthesis of different elements. Local scholars, in their efforts to blend traditional culture with Islamic Shariah, have contributed to the emergence of multiple patterns of local wisdom. Within the discipline of Shariah, local wisdom holds significant importance in the development of Islamic jurisprudence. Considering local wisdom is crucial as it can influence the construction of Islamic jurisprudence based on the reality of the local community. This study aims to examine the local wisdom of the Sabahan community in shaping the concept of Fiqh Sabahi. Emphasizing local wisdom in the formation of Sabahi jurisprudence is vital to maintain a balance between the idealism inherent in current jurisprudence and its practical implementation in society. To achieve the set objectives, qualitative research was conducted using both library and field research methods. The findings of the study indicate that Islamic jurisprudence is evolving, with new laws being established and existing laws being updated in response to social changes, particularly those closely associated with local wisdom. Based on these findings, the incorporation of elements of local wisdom into the concept of Fiqh Sabahi needs to be further developed to serve as guidance for the Muslim community in Sabah, ensuring that Fiqh Sabahi aligns with the current requirements of jurisprudence. Moreover, the results of this study can assist in formulating policies to promote religious harmony in Sabah in accordance with the concept of Ummah Madani. Therefore, this study holds significance as it offers an approach to address contemporary jurisprudential issues in the context of Sabah, ultimately contributing to the maintenance of a harmonious and pluralistic society in Malaysia, particularly in Sabah.