Exploring hibah practices among Muslim entrepreneurs in Kelantan

ABSTRACT

This study delves into a segment of Islamic wealth management, focusing on hibah (inter vivos gifts), and investigates how Muslim entrepreneurs in Kelantan manage and enhance their wealth judiciously and fairly. Given the rising concern over unclaimed assets and their potential to remain frozen if Muslims neglect property management, this research is essential. It aims to evaluate the comprehension of hibah among these entrepreneurs, analyse their practices, and draw insights on both understanding and application in Kota Bharu, Kelantan. Data were collected through interviews and document analysis, with the aid of ATLAS.ti software to facilitate a network view analysis. Findings reveal that while informants practice hibah and recognize its importance, complete understanding remains lacking. The outcomes of this study could influence government action to address state-wide issues and encourage Islamic religious councils to enhance the understanding and practices of hibah among Muslim entrepreneurs and the broader community.