

Research

Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia

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Abstract

This research aims to study about the Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia. The researcher used the qualitative analysis, deductive method, inductive method and descriptive methodology. The qualitative study using documentary methods and in-depth interviews of 15 key informants who were selected by purposive sampling.

The researcher raised the questions to identify the problem in order to find the proper answers. The study aimed to explain the significance of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Islamic view, to identify the group of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia and their origin for example like they was grow up in Kampong Cham, Phnom Penh and Kampong Chhnang province mostly, and to identify the importance of their authorities like sikh haji Sulaiman bin Ibrahim, Uztaz Muhammad Irsad bin haji Ya'kob and many others of their famous member too.

Finally, to identify about the Muslim Cambodia how and when they were reach to this country, because as we know before this country is a Buddhist's country, But in (1238 AD) the kingdom of Champa was defeat by Daiviet (Vietnam) and after that some of Muslims Champa were move to Kampong Cham province of Cambodia, and this country were started to have Muslim people inside it from that time until now on.

Key words: Jama'ah Tabligh, Cambodia



Introduction

Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh is an Islamic group that has travelling to deliver (the message) to everywhere, especially they have to go to some villages and stay in the mosque (Masjid) of another area. The Jama'ah tabligh strives to revive this duty which they consider as one of the primary duties of a Muslim. They encourage people to follow Islamic principles and the life of the prophet Muhammad (ﷺ).

The movement asks the Muslims at-large to spend their time and money in spiritual journeys, called (الخروج) to seek religious knowledge (تعليم) and promote the faith. During these scheduled journeys (usually for a specified period of 4 months, 40 days, 10 days, or 3 days), members of each travelling group (called Jama'ah) learn the basic tenets of Islam from each other. Apart from these, a list of desired qualities of the sahabat are studied and practiced. This research based on the problem of the extent to which the Islamic intellectual groups (جماعات الفكرية) especially Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh that they has spread their perspectives to everywhere around the world.

The Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh was growing up very fast to some of European countries for example like France, England and at the United State. And also the Jama'ah has spread to the south of Asia including Cambodia.

From the year 1992 – 2018 this group was growing up very fast in Kingdom of Cambodia especially at Phnom Penh and kampong Cham province.

This research attempts to address the problem of the growing up fast of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia and they used their perspectives as the way for them.

The true Islamic way is not like that, because why? Islam is a completed religion in which any terms of human life. So, we have to follow and do the ebadat (عبادة) that what it was from the principles and objectives of the book of Allah and the Sunnah of his prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), through the view of life, and Allah wished for his slaves and their relations. The concluding of this mean that all the Islam followers they are not allow to create and do something new (بدعة) in Islamic principles by their own perspectives. Because (بدعة) in Islam religion is a bad thing that Islam can't accept their ebadat.

Methodology

This research is conducted with theoretical, field and qualitative methods.

The main approaches of this study there are 3 methods as following:

Data collection: The researcher used it by collecting the information from different sources, which are they like Quran, books, research papers or thesis, article online, etc.



Interview: The researcher used to interviews of 15 key informants who were selected by purposive sampling of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia, and also another person who related to this study.

Analysis: The researcher analyses the results and data obtained through personal interviews with the person who are related to the research and especially with the head of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia.

Results

The study results are like following:

1- Given the information that related the Kingdom of Cambodia for example like, the kingdom of Cambodia located in Southeast Asia, bordered by Thailand to the west and northwest, Laos to the north, Vietnam to the east, and to the south by the Gulf of Thailand, the Kingdom of Cambodia is about 181,035 km² (69,898 square miles) and has a population of more than 15 million ethnic Khmer people.

2- The Islam religion has reach to Cambodia after the Daiviet (Vietnam) has defeated to Champa kingdom and then some of Cham Muslims to Kampong Cham province, Cambodia at beginning of fifteenth century AD, later they were spread to all parts of Cambodia.

3- The Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia has controlled in the religious institutions for example: Masjid, Centers and Schools, and they established for specific of their purposes, activities by their charities.

4- The Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh showing the good point of themselves to the society, like dressing and their characteristics are as an Ahli Sunnah (used long dress and cover their heads by the scarf, speaking soft and so on).

5- The group of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh was avoided speaking about political matters.

6- The education of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh is depending on their books for example: (كتاب حياة الصحابة, كتاب فضائل الأعمال), and will not allow for their member to use another books to do in their programs.

Discussions

The study aim to seek the strategies and the duties of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia. The objectives of this study divided into a number as following:

1- To identify the Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia and their purposes and origin from.

2- To description the geography, economic and social characteristics of Cambodia.



- 3- To identify the location and area of Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia.
- 4- To explain about the Muslim Cambodian and where are they from.
- 5- To identify the methods and evaluation to Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia.

Conclusion

The Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh was growing up very fast in every province in Cambodia, especially in Kompong Cham province, Kompong Chhnang and Phnom Penh.

Suggestions for further research

For my recommendation and suggestion are like following:

1-To those who want to join Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh in Cambodia better they would to have the true Islamic knowledge (Quran and Sunnah) first, and then they have given that true knowledge to the Jama'ah.

2-Better for the new generation in Cambodia, they have to go to study at Arab countries as in Egypt or Saudi Arabia and another country that can give the knowledge of true Islamic principles.

3-The parents must send their child to study about true Islamic perspective school in anywhere of the world, better than send them to join 3 day or 4 months or 1year with Jama'ah Da'wah Tabligh without Islamic knowledge.

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