

## **Giving the Duty: Study on Serving Wives**

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**ABSTRACT:** *This study aims to identify how the wife works to understand the status of their work. In addition, this study also examines the methods they use to manage their wages accordingly. The husband is responsible for providing a living for the family. In a tough time, the wife out of work helps her husband strengthen their economy. The study was conducted to examine the rights of the wife from an Islamic perspective. Additionally, to see how far the wife works knows their rights while working. The purpose of this study is to explain the meaning of preservation of working wives while explaining the ethics of Muslim women who work in accordance with Islamic law and to identify the methods of financial management used by them.*

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### **I. INTRODUCTION**

Nafkah is a gift that becomes a duty to the husband for give it to the wife. According to Yusuf Qardhawi (2015), a husband is a leader in the family and they play an important role in fulfilling the mutual consent. Nafkah is a necessity needed by people like food, clothing and shelter (Mustofa Al-Khin, Mustofa Al-Bugho, Ali Asy Syarbaji, 2011). The present day, wives of women are more involved in the work of nature as they have qualified and hardworking in working.

The wife is guarding the household, but on the basis of helping family finances by taking the initiative to work. At the very least, they can help stabilize the household economy even when the tasks and responsibilities increase. However, the wife must be aware of their responsibilities in order to avoid any problems in the future. Wives need to comprehend the knowledge of marriage so that all kinks do not bend in the heart. According to Abdurrahman Al-Juzairi (2015) in the past, the husband is obliged to provide cooking utensils by collecting wood to light the fire but now the stove only provides gas to cook and there is only cooking using electricity.

The wife at this point has spearheaded many of their duties. On them, family assistance and support are their goals in a short time. According to Abu Hassan Othman (1972), their responsibilities have been fulfilled, but when it comes to injustice to domestic conflicts, there will be no end.

The inequality of the husband in giving a living is seen as one of the attitudes that must be avoided if it is to have a home that is peaceful and prosperous. According to Noor Aziah Mohd Awal (2015), if a wife works at home such as sewing, composing books and so on that does not interfere with fulfilling the responsibilities of marriage, her right to maintenance does not fall. This is because the role of a husband is a guardian, a leader and a giver of maintenance to his family.

Therefore, when the wife performs her duties either to the husband or children, then the husband is obliged to pay the wages to the wife according to his or her ability. And if the wife ignores her duty in fulfilling the task of managing the house and only works solely and does not hear the instructions and make something without the consent of her husband, then falls nusyuz for the wife because the negligence of carrying out her responsibilities as a wife and husband as well, can fall nusyuz if they not fulfilling their duty as husband. Maintenance is the person who uses the property with a good way for himself and his dependents like his wife and children.

Referring to the recent study by Agus Zainal Fuadi (2010) and Nabilah Abdullah and Wan Zulkifli Wan Hassan (2010), they are reviewing the more active areas of the environment of working wives and understanding of religious laws. With this research, it can help a little bit of space to make an assessment of new insights and new places to be studied in the future although in the past the wife only sits at home but with regard to future economic symptoms, this woman should enlightenment.

It is the responsibility of the husband to support the family. Under the terms Islamic marriage, it is the responsibility of a husband to provide his family with a living, and his wife is the responsible person by doing the important things done at home. According to a book authored by Ustaz Harun Din in *Manusia dan Islam*

(1991), the goal of human life is responsible for working for self-improvement, mother and father, family and society.

But in this latest Malaysian society, there are wives who will go to work and help in providing financial support to families for the needs of the home to be met when the country's economy is not strong. This study can be seen how the wife understands the maintenance of their working status. If the working wife does not know about the law of maintenance and the method to be interacted with the family, the consequences will be the ups and downs of the household that will undermine the household if not cautious.

In addition, this working wife knows the right methods and ways to do the work on Islamic law. Do not follow friends as well as ask for permission and ask for husband's consent to work. Estimated statistics in 2013 by the Department of Statistics, Malaysia that half of women in Malaysia are looking for jobs to survive and some also want to help their families in terms of economic resources now rising in basic goods.

There are some ethics that the wives need to take care of. Among them is to guard their dignity or to cover their nakedness. As an example, the dressing ethics of some of these workers actually come from the west because the materials used seem rare and do not conform to the religious law we learn. According to Muhammad Mutawalli Sya'rawi (2014), in the past, the hijab gave benefits to the community as it was educated about dressing procedures that covered the body according to Islamic law. In addition they are closer to Allah SWT and obey the Prophet Muhammad. According to Barbara Watson Andaya and Leonard Y. Andaya (1983) the modern era has many rules in Malaysia. Actually it has been inherited by the British colonies for imitating western traditions. Next, take care of manners of their association. Professionals in doing tasks, work, can easily do it and do a job by instilling sincerity in them as a career woman.

In summary, there are boundaries of association in bridging the affair of colleagues but the wives must be able to keep their boundaries between their conversations and their actions from being a spoof or attraction of the other opposite colleague of men. The employee's responsibility is to work diligently and to safeguard the trust with confidence because their responsibility is the trust they carry from Allah SWT.

## **II. HIGHLIGHT ISSUE**

According to the Department of Statistics Malaysia, today's reality shows that women whose wife is mostly engaged in the work world. Moreover, those with professional qualifications such as doctorate, engineering, judiciary and others. The various fields that the women of this millennium have to offer are why their husbands need to be aware of their respective wishes. Islam requires women to come to work based on the contemporary opinion of the clergy that affirms that it is necessary for women who have no source of income either from the husband, their relatives looking for work to support life. In addition, divorce statistics are reviewed by the Ministry of Development, Family and Community estimates that as many as 48,077 couples are divorced in 2016.

Among the reasons are irresponsible husband, misunderstanding and fraudulent wife. Problems that can be avoided by strengthening the Islamic family institution through the enhancement of the quality and integrity of each individual in the family. With this study seen in this study how the wives work to manage salaries according to their professional, what methods are used in managing their wages and how they work in accordance with Islamic law.

Women will be recognized if they are good at managing the household. Help them will start at home and end up at home from a child, married, as a wife and as a mother. This 20th century, does not allow the economic status of the country to be stable as our country has been squeezed with various problems that bring down the national currency. In this era, our country is pioneered by various ways in order for wives to respond to challenges to do their job to harmonize the family. Besides, everywhere we can see that women are spearheading a job regardless of government or private sector or self-employed.

This study will be debated about how the wife manages the household and at the same time they can help from the economic resources by working out according to their respective professionals. In addition, the researcher wants to know how far this wife can maintain their personality while working with the status of married. There are various references that can be searched in intellectual and modern times of modern technology.

Among them are reading fields such as scientific books, journals, articles in magazines and newspapers where many religious educators are examining the issue of Islam. And then, the internet site for us to make the right referrals is much to look for.

## **III. STEPS IN MANAGING FINANCES WISELY AND SYSTEMATICALLY**

There are wise people who can earn income through salary from professional careers but not good enough to managing salaries and wealth. This is a mistake because the money could not be a slave to us. Should the wealth we get is well managed so that every year our zakat payment increases, our heirs are not poor or we

can contribute to the community better. Nowadays, many women are self-reliant because many of them are professionals on their industry. It is wrong to husband don't work hard to doing their duty giving Nafkaho to their wife. Here are steps in managing finances wisely and systematically:

**a) Method of Managing Finances.**

Good financial management involves short- medium- long term goals. Start with long term goal. When we have a distant view, we have set the right steps to succeed.

**b) Have Enough Incomes Sources.**

Whether we work with employers or self-employed, we need to really succeed (including getting a high salary) in our field. Seven years of happiness time were for the seven years of hard times. If we do not have enough income then it is difficult to have enough saving because of the rising cost of living.

**c) Save Before Shopping.**

Save first, the rest is spent. This is indication that we all have discipline and leave the deference of your job. If you spend all your income first and if you have more saving, then that is the most effective way to create a chronic financial problem in the future. It defeats satisfaction.

**d) Spend Wisely.**

We need to put together spending priority. Start with basic necessities of life such as for eating, drinking, clothing, shelter, education and health. Followed by the desires required and enjoyed the luxury.

**e) Managing Financial Risk.**

The easiest way to manage financial risk is to take Takaful (Sharia-compliant) products and to be truly successful in your financial management, knowledge is very important. Know how to invest wisely because there are many scam company that will finish your money.

Document your spending plan neatly. It is possible to have a special diary or special file for this purpose. This is so easy for us to refer to the past expenses. Ready for whatever happens in the future. Save money carefully.

#### **IV. CONCLUSION**

Based on the research, the researcher found that the respondent who worked lack of knowledge about their right to earn a living as their daily use. This is because they are too busy working and managing their home less to know or understand their rights as a wife. The authorities need to take on this issue as the increasingly diverse cases are increasing and this is a phenomenon that is very detrimental to the State, because when a shaky family institution is born, the young generation is damaged; this is because they get emotional disturbances from their shared experiences problem families.

Therefore, the Government should address this issue. Next, increase employment opportunities for the people to enable them to continue living to support their families. The media should be sensitive to any issues that arise. Do not be too obsessed with entertainment so as to destroy the nation's own people. Additionally, there are many scientific releases that can shape unity among Malaysians. Media parties need to highlight religious programs for the public to see and explore the science shown on television. Avoid creating programs that tell tales of stories that deny real-life life. The media should balance in publishing a program so that Malaysians are knowledgeable and not pursuing unhealthy issues.

Finally, the couple must practice honesty with one another and respect each other as this is the key to the happiness of family. They must help each other and agree on matters of disagreement. Ask a specialist if something goes wrong. Trust should be taken care of no matter where you are and take care of it well. Researchers' hope that all benefits can be solved with opens hearts and achieves happiness until the end.

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