

Introduction

An initial compilation of verses from the Holy Qur'an and Ahadith pertaining to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) is being done to support the work of nongovernment organizations doing awareness raising campaigns, advocacy efforts and project implementation in Muslim communities in the Philippines.



The implementation of sanitation and hygiene campaigns in Islamic communities becomes effective when messages are linked to verses from the Qur'an and Ahadith.





Water is important in the daily life of Muslims as washing is a requirement prior to praying and the performance of other rituals.

The initial compilation came about in the hope of starting a groundswell of demand calling for safe sanitation and clean drinking water for everyone in the local context of the community.



Objective

To compile verses from the Holy Qur'an and Ahadith pertaining to water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH)





Brain storming among the Youth Preachers spearheaded by the Muslim Students Association



Gathering of Verses and Ahadith from Holy Qur'an and various Kitabs



Presentation of gathered Holy Qur'an Verses and Ahadith to the Elders



Some Verses and Ahadith

 Allahu ta'ala said: "He it is who has created from water." - Chapter: Alfurqan. Verse: 54.

 Allah the exalted says: "Out of water We made all things alive." - Chapter: Al-BAQARAH; verse: 30.

Some Verses and Ahadith

 He also said: "We send pure water down from the heaven. That with it We may give life to a dead land, and that We may give it as drink to animals and human beings We have created in great numbers. Verily We distribute it among them that they may (thankfully) remember (Us), but a large number of people are not pleased with anything save thanklessness." - Chapter: Alfurgan. Verses: 48-50.

Some Verses and Ahadith

 Prophet Mohammad peace be upon him said: "Never should you urinate on water that is stagnant." - Book of Hadith, chapter: purification.

 The prophet also said: "Sea water is purifying..." - narrated by Abu Hurayrah, may Allah have mercy on him. - Buluwg Almaram (Kitab). Page 13.

Way forward

- Completion of Verses and Hadith compilation by MSA
- Testing of WASH messages with reference to Qur'anic verses in Muslim communities in Jolo, Sulu by MSA and WASH Coalition Pilipinas
- Conduct WASH seminars among various Muslim organizations in Sulu
- Lobby for the integration of WASH messages in Madrasa curriculum
- Work with the local media and MSA chapters in other schools to disseminate Qur'anic verses on WASH in school publications
- Advocate to LGU's in Muslim areas to include WASH in its peace and development agenda.

MESSAGE

Let us be reminded that taking good care of the blessings of our Creator is one way of saying "thank you" to the one who does not fail in showering it to us.