

## COVER LETTER

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Dear Editor,

I am submitting a manuscript for consideration for publication in *Akademika – Journal of Southeast Asia Social Sciences and Humanities*. The manuscript is entitled “**The Enhancement of Muslim Identity and Morality: A Comprehensive Review of Usrah Rabbani Practice**”. It has not been published elsewhere and it has not been submitted simultaneously for publication elsewhere. This study examines a model for enhancing Muslim identity and morality through implementing Usrah Rabbani at Sultan Ismail Petra International Islamic University College (KIAS), a private Islamic higher education institution under the supervision of the Kelantan State Government, Malaysia. The practice of Usrah Rabbani is closely aligned with the Kelantan Rabbani Education Policy (DPRK), initiated by the Kelantan State Government on February 25, 2018.

By employing textual analysis, this study reveals a substantial level of parallelism between the practice of Usrah Rabbani and the aspirations of the DPRK principles, reaching a rate of 76%. The Usrah Rabbani curriculum comprises 91 verses from the Quran, 23 hadiths, 16 topics on prophetic biography, and 11 topics on Islamic thought. The integration of the Usrah Rabbani curriculum with the principles of the DPRK successfully establishes a model for enhancing Muslim identity and morality. In conclusion, this study highlights the significant potential of Usrah Rabbani as a platform for safeguarding the continuity of Muslim identity and moral values. Furthermore, the orientation of Usrah Rabbani is fittingly recognized as an officially practiced model for enhancing Muslim identity and morals within the formal education system.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Yours Sincerely,



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