CHAPTER III GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF PESANTREN NURUL MUHIBBIN

Pesantren (Boarding School) is an institution of Islamic education focusing on the importance of *Akhlâqul Karîmah* (Good Attitude), and as a place for learning, understanding, internalising, and practising islamic teachings as a guide to life. In the development of the boarding school, it has become a social institution that gives distinctive colour to the development of the surrounding communities. The role is transformed into a reformed agent and a community development agency, but whatever the efforts of a boarding school, it is still the reason and guidelines of its establishment and principal purpose is *Tafaquh Fiddîn*, that is to understand religion literally.¹

A. Overview of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin

1. Location of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin

The boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is on the way M. Ramli, Number 89th, RT 14. Kelurahan Barabai Darat, Subdistrict of Barabai, Regency of Hulu Sungai Tengah, Province of South Kalimantan that be conducted by K.H. Muhammad Bakhiet bin K.H. Ahmad Mughni bin K.H. Isma'il both as chief at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for male and female. The boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin has four separate locations, three adjacent units, that is the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for male and *Majelis Ta'lim* Nurul Muhibbin, beside of Pesantren for male, there is *Panti Yatama* and *Tahfizul*

¹Muhtaron, *Dinamika Pesantren dan Madrasah* (Yogyakarta: Pustaka Belajar, 2002), 44.

Qur'an and not far from this area, there is Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for female, while the other unit of the *Takhassus* class is at balangan.

The total number of students studying science in Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is 1723 students, made up of 1100 students for males and 632 students for females. As for the number of ustadh teaching in Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin's boarding school, there were 63, while the number of ustadhah there were 44. Almost all ustadh and ustadhah are graduates of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin, some settled around the boarding school area and others outside boarding school.²

2. History of the Establishment of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin

The boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin Barabai is a compound of two boarding schools; that is the boarding school of Pesantren Ar-Rahman founded in 1986 and then change the name to Hidayaturrahman and the boarding school others are Pesantren Rahmatul Ummah founded in 1990. At that time the two boarding school developed in halting circumstances. To the consciousness of some of the early pioneers who saw that there had not yet been an educational institute of a type of boarding school in the city of barabai. So in 1994, a boarding school was opened by combining the two boarding schools of Pesantren Hidayaturrahman with Rahmatul Ummah so the boarding school's name was changed to "Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin". The opening of this boarding school has been a blessing of religious teachers and community figures and the

²Fitri Maulida, Ustadhah at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 1th April 2021.

willingness of a philanthropist who gives a plot of land and the entire building above it, a two-story building, musolla and a house.³

As of 1994, the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin received only students for males but at the urging of a society that wants allow their daughters to study the book (*Kitab Kuning*) as men did, so in 1998 a boarding school for females is opened. A place to study religon for males occupied the sites of the former boarding school of Pesantren Rahmatul Ummah and their dorm and the former boarding school of Pesantren Ar-Rahman specific for females dorm.

In addition to learning and teaching activities for male or female students, the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin also provides for orphans, the orphans' shelter is named Panti Yatama Nurul Muhibbin, whose location is adjacent to the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin. Since people are so interested in taking their children to the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin, while the capacity for students is inadequate, the director gave the policy to search for more significant site.

In 2002 particular special building began for female students at a location not far from Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for males and the building that the females student will be in has been authorised in 2007, as for the previous boarding school, it will be lived by orphans of Panti Yatama Nurul Muhibbin and the student of *Tahfizul Qur'an* also for the *Tahfizul Qur'an* program was also opened that year. Now the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin has a rather substantial development, along with the growing development of male and

³Album Kenangan Alumni Pondok Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin Putra, Barabai, Kalimantan Selatan, Tahun Ajaran 2019-2020, hlm 4.

female students, the facilities in the hut are also renewed to support study and other activities, such as: the faculty room, class, muşolla, hall, UKS⁴, library, teachers' home, the students' room, bathroom, toilet and there is a security post room, etc. Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin also has several branches in Hulu Sungai Tengah, and Balangan, province of South Kalimantan, a branch in East kalimantan and there are also in the Bangka Belitung Islands.⁵

The development of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is not independent of the role of charismatic clerics and influential scholars in South Kalimantan as K.H Muhammad Bakhiet or as the called of Guru Bakhiet. He was born on January 1th 1966, in Telaga Air Mata and called the Kampung Arab, a village name in Hulu Sungai county. He was a scholar of great attitude and had vast knowledge; this can be proved by the multitude of *jama'ah* (followers) who attended every regular presentation of the various classes of *habâib* (descendants of the prophet), officials, businessmen, merchants, professors, students, and others.

3. The Motto, Vision of the Mission of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin

The boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for male and female have a motto, vision of the mission taken according to the wishes and messages of the chief, which is K.H Muhammad Bakhiet, as a goal to develop Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin and hope that the students of males and females will be a human being

⁴A Place to Check The Health at School or Boarding School.

⁵Album Kenangan Alumni Pondok Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin Putra Barabai, Kalimantan Selatan, Tahun Ajaran 2019-2020.

who has good manners and benefits to nation and state. ⁶ The motto and vision of the mission are as follows:

Motto: The name of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is usually abbreviated "NM232," this name is the motto of boarding school. NM232 is derived from *Asma'ul Husna* الكبير each letter has a value, الح) (Kâf) its value to 20, (bâ') its value to 2, (Ya')its value to 10, and (Râ') its value to 100, so the value total of letters is 232. Says the expert scholars of *Hikam* "whoever remember of God by numbers of *Hikam* "whoever remember of *Batin* (spiritual) and *zohir* (appear), it is accepted in the presence of God and human.⁷ If a man has a debt will be repaid and if a person was removed from his rank and read a thousand times seven days in a row and fast, the rank would be returned.⁸

Vision: Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin's vision is taken from the wishes of chief which is the ten things that must be done from a name "نور المحبّين":

- 1. نهج السنة والجمعة (Nûn): نهج السنة والجمعة Always on Ahlussunnah wal Jamâ'ah road
- 2. وقار (Waw): وقار Maintain dignity and honor
- 3. رسوخ :('Ra') رسوخ ('Ra') ر
- 4. ا(Hamzah/Alif): أمانة Maintaining trust
- 5. لسان الصدق :(Lâm) لسان الصدق (Lâm) لسان الصدق

⁶Ahmad Syuhada, Ustadz at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20th March 2021.

⁷Asma'ul Husna 38 Al-Kabīr by KH Muhammad Bakhiet, Channel Youtube Bustanul Muhibbin, di akses pada 25 Maret 2020.

⁸Husin Qadri, *Senjata Mukmin*, (Martapura: Cetakan ke-6, 1971) 61.

- 6. محبة الله : Love of God above all, we can never love God before
 God loves us, so that we may be loved by God in two ways (عملية)
 perpetuate of repent and (علمية) engage in meditation.
- 7. حفظ الجوارح :(Ha): حفظ الجوارح Safeguarding the body and heart member from sin, that is not planning to commit sin and not perpetuate it
- 8. برّ الوالدين والأستاذ :(Bâ') برّ الوالدين والأستاذ (Bâ') ب
- 9. يقين : (Yâ'): يعين To believe that God is great to see and hear, that whatever is destiny for your, it will get to you, he does not break his promise.
- 10. نصيحة : Goodwill toward to all the Muslims.

Mission: the boarding school mission of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin be accepted from the advice of the chief and teachers who teach in the boarding school. Among the goals is for male and female students can read the book of (*Kitab Kuning*⁹), have good morals, and practice the Islamic religious teachings given by teachers and chief in boarding school, based on the Qur'an and the Hadith on *Ahlussunnah wal Jamâ'ah*.¹⁰ However, the advice from the chief stands for the word "HIKMAH":

Hiasilah hari-harimu dengan ilmu dan amal yang bermanfaat

Decorate your days with useful science and charity

⁹The Kitab Kuning is a book written by the *salafussaleh* which is always printed or written with yellow paper. For now, the *Kitab Kuning* began to be renewed and reprinted using white paper, but they are still called the Kitab Kuning.

¹⁰Ahmad Syuhada, Ustadz at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20th March 2021.

Iman selalu ditingkatkan, melaksanakan perintah dan menjauhi yang dilarang Allah.

Faith is always enhanced, carrying out the commandments and away from those forbidden by God.

Karamah kemuliaan yang di berikan Allah kepada orang yang selalu bertaqwa kepada-Nya

Glory belongs to the one who always listens to him

Muhammad Rasulullah Uswatun Hasanah yang mesti dicintai dan dirindui selalu.

Muhammad is the messenger of God and the Prophet's goodness that must always be loved and missed.

Amanah dan Iffah merupakan dua sifat yang membawa kepada kehormatan dan kemuliaan.

Trust and chastity of self are two behaviors that bring honor and glory.

Hari ini mesti lebih berilmu, beriman dan bertaqwa dari hari kemarin.

Today must be more knowledgeable, faithful and godly than yesterday.¹¹

B. General Activity and Learning Process of The Students

1. General Activity of students at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin

¹¹Album Kenangan Alumni Pondok Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin Putri, Barabai, Kalimantan Selatan, Tahun Ajaran 2017-2018.

Male and female students' activity in Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is scheduled from early morning to night sleep. They do everyday activities such as five-time regular prayers at muşolla, studying in classes and muşolla, muţala'aḥ and mudhakaraḥ, reciting *maulid habsyi*, reciting the book of *burdah*, sports, mutual assistance, reciting *wirid* and other *amaliyah* (worship) and so on.¹² As for the details of the activity, the writer would expose the activities obligated, such as:

a. These five-time prayer

These five-time prayer activities are required to work together in musolla and not be assigned in separate rooms or places, except for indisposed ones such as sick, menstruation, etc. After five-time prayers continue to read prayer *wirid*, both long and short *wirid* together then plus reciting the *Ratîbul Haddâd* and the *Ratîbul Ațțas* every morning after the Maghrib prayer and the afternoon after the Maghrib prayer. As for sunnah tools such as *Tahajjud* prayer, the *Isyraq*¹³ prayers, the Duha prayer, and the Qabliyah and Ba'diyah prayer it is only recommended (*sunnah muakkadah*).¹⁴

b. Study of Kitab Kuning

Kitab Kuning learns activity is done daily except on Fridays (holidays) in each class and muşolla together. As for the study activities in each of these classes, depending on a predetermined schedule. At 6.15 a.m until 07.30 a.m and from 1.30-2.30 p.m learning activities for class 1st of junior high school (wusta),

¹²Qamariah, Ustadhah at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20th March 2021.

¹³Sunnah Prayer when the Sun rises.

¹⁴Qamariah, Ustadhah at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20th March 2021.

from 08.00-09.30 a.m learning activities for classes 2^{nd} until 3^{rd} junior high school (wustho) also classes 1^{st} until 3^{rd} of senior high school (ulya) and from 10.00-11.30 a.m return to classes 2^{nd} until 3^{rd} junior high school (wustho) also classes 1^{st} until 3^{rd} of senior high school (ulya). As for the study in the muşolla, it is directly presided over by the chief on Monday nights and Thursday afternoons, for the students of male, the activities to be in their muşolla that direct contact with the chief and for the students of female in their muşolla by looking at the television and using a speaker.¹⁵

c. Mutola'ah and Mudhakarah

Muţola'aḥ are review lessons that have learned while Mudhakaraḥ is remembering the lesson and memorised it if necessary. These activities are performed every day except on Friday, starting at 10.30 a.m special for class 1^{st} of junior high school (wusţa), from 1.00-1.45 p.m for the classes of 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} of junior high school (wusţa) and 1^{st} , 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} of senior high school (ulya), after Ashar from 4.00-4.30 p.m muţola'aḥ again for the first class, then for a night at 8.00-9.00 p.m, it was compulsory muţola'aḥ and mudhakaraḥ simultaneously all the students for male and female. All students must make it a habit for them to study and always remember the lessons they have been taught each day.

d. Sports

These activities are routine every other Friday or Saturday, such as callisthenics, badminton, football for male students, etc. The purpose of these

¹⁵Qamariah, Ustadhah at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20th March 2021.

activities is that diligent exercise makes the body healthy, as physical health is equally important.¹⁶

e. Reciting the Qur'an

Reciting the Qur'an was routine on Friday after zuhur prayers were performed by all of the students for the purpose of getting them used to reciting the Qur'an and finished it and also training of the students to recite the Qur'an fluently.

f. Reciting Maulid Habsyi and Burdah

This activity was carried out in the evening Sunday and morning Friday by students, Maulid Habsyi does on evening Sunday and Burdah on morning Friday or vice versa. The purpose required of all students is always be used to say the prophet Muhammad compliments as expressions of love and to set an example his good behaviour.¹⁷

g. Mutual Assistance

This cleaning operation of the entire boarding school is performed by all the students every day based on a predetermined schedule and according to their respective assignments. This activity takes place in the morning and evening so that the boarding school environment always looks clean, also to familiarize and

¹⁶Qamariah, Ustadhah at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20 March 2021.

¹⁷Qamariah, Ustadhah at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20th March 2021.

impresses the students on the importance of cleanliness so that study and worship are comfortable because cleanliness is part of the faith.¹⁸

2. Learning Process of Students at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin

The typical study activity in the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is divided into two is in classes and muşolla. The method of study at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is *wethon/bandongan¹⁹* and system *Salafiyah* that is the material taught included Islamic science using the classic book or called the Kitab Kuning. Teaching systems to use models *Salafiyah* This is not dependent on a system of curriculum created by the government, because the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is a private institution under the ministry of religious affairs.

The study in boarding school Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin is seventh years for students of male, with third years at the junior high school (wusţa), with third years at senior high school (ulya) And first year in special exclusive class (*takhassus*) To deepen the *Kitab Kuning*. In contrast, the study in boarding school for female students is sixth years old. The material used in the learning process is all about religion and the book of *Kitab Kuning*, such as: Tauhid, Tajwid, Fiqh, Uşûl Fiqh, Hadith, Uşûl Hadith, Akhlak, Tafsir, Uşûl Tafsir, Tarikh, Nahwu, Şoraf, Balaghah, Mantiq, Faraid dan Arud. The material and the learned books there were differences, according to the grade of each class. As for the details of

¹⁸Qamariah, Ustadhah at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 20th March 2021.

¹⁹Wethon/Bandongan is a method in which a ustadh or ustadhah reads and translates a book while the students listen, attention carefully and note something important or difficult to understand.

the book used in every material on each class in the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin as follows²⁰:

Class	Materials	The Book Names
1 st (Wusța)	Tauhid	Kifâyatul Mubtadîn, al-Qaulul Mufid
	Akhlak	Akhlaqul Banîn
	Fiqh	Fiqhul Ibâdah, Safînatun Naja
	Nahwu	Al- Jurmiah, Mukhtaşar Jidddan
	Şaraf	Kitabut Taşrif
	Tajwid	Pelajaran Tajwid
2 nd (Wusța)	Tauhid	Fathul Majid
	Fiqh	Nailul Raja, Fathul Qorib jilid 1
	Akhlak	Ta'lim Muta'lim
	Hadith	Arbain Annawawiyah, Riyadh aşh-Şâlihin
	Tarikh	Khulaşah Nurul Yaqîn, Nurul Yaqîn
	Nahwu	Mutamimah Al-Jurumiyah
	Şaraf	Syarh Al-Kailaniy

 $^{^{20}}$ It was sourced from the Administration of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin of the year 2020-2021.

	Tajwid	Hidayatus Shibyan
3 rd (Wusța)	Fiqh	Fathul Qarib Jilid 2, Fathul Mu'in Jilid 1
	Uşûl Fiqh	Mabâdi Awaliyah
	Akhlak	Risâlatul Mu'awwanah
	Tauhid	Kifayatul Awam
	Tarikh	Nurul Yaqîn
	Tafsir	Al-Jalalain jilid 1
	Uşûl Tafsir	Al-Qaulul Munir
	Hadith	Riyad aş-Şalihin
	Uşûl Hadith	Minhatul Mughith
	Nahwu	Qathrun Nida
	Sharaf	Qawa'idul Lughatil 'Arabiyyah
	Faraid	An-Nafhatul Hasaniah
1 st (Ulya)	Fiqh	Fathul Mu'in
	Uşûl Fiqh	Lathaiful Isyariyah
	Akhlak	Minhajul Abidin
	Tauhid	Addasuqi

	Tarikh	Ash-Shamailul Muhammadiyah
	Tafsir	Al-Jalalain
	Ușûl Tafsir	Al-Qawaidul Asasiah Fi Ulumil Qur'an
	Hadith	Riyad aş-Şalihin
	Uşûl Hadith	Al-Qawaidul Asasiah Fi Musthalahil Hadis
	Mantiq	Idhalul Mubham
	Balaghah	Husnus Shiagah
2 nd (Ulya)	Faraiḍ	Arraudhul Aniiq
	Aruḍ	Al Mu'tamad
	Fiqh	Fathul Mu'in, Minhajut Thalibin
	Uşûl Fiqh	Fawaidul Janiyyah
	Akhlak	Mursyidul Amin
	Tauhid	Ad-Dasuki
	Tarikh	Ash-Shifa
	Tafsir	Al-Jalalain Jilid 3, Rawai'ul Bayan Jilid 1
	Hadith	Ibanatul Ahkam
	Mantiq	Al-Quwaisni

	Balaghah	Jawahirul Balaghah
	Faraiḍ	Raudhun Nahid
3 rd (Ulya)	Fiqh	Fathul Mu'in 3, Minhajut Țalibin
	Uşûl Fiqh	Fawaidul Janiyyah
	Akhlak	Mursyidul Amin (Nisfhul Awwal)
	Tauhid	Ad-Dasuki
	Tarikh	Ash-Shifa
	Tafsir	Al-Jalalain 3, Rawai'ul Bayan 1
	Hadith	Ibanatul Ahkam
	Nahwu	Ibnu Aqil 2
	Mantiq	Al-Quwaisni
	Balaghah	Jawahirul Balaghah
	Faraiḍ	Raudhun Nahid (Nisfhul Awwal)
Special	Fiqh	Fatawa Nawawi wa Nafa'isul Uluwiyah,
Exclusive		Mijanul Qubra, Matnuj Jubad
Class	Akhlak	Risâlatul Qushairiyah, Syarhul Hikam, Al-
(Takhassus)		Amtsal

Hadith	Şahîh Bukhari, Şahih Muslîm, Sunan Tirmidhi

As for the material and book used in each class in the boarding school of Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for females is almost the same as the one used in Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for males, but there are such differences as moral lesson (Akhlak) material for class 2nd (wusta) which is a book of Minhajus Sawi, Tauhid material for class 3rd (wusta) is a book of Al-Hud Hudi and material Uşûl Figh which is a book of Al-Waragat.²¹

Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin Barabai also opens the 9th year National Education Fair Program and Packages B and C Programs that are following the Curriculum Ministry of Religion, which is held on every evening Tuesday and evening Wednesday to supplement the students' insight, then for those who have completed their education at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin so that you can continue your education to higher education or anything else.²²

 ²¹Ahmad Hadi, Ustadh at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 25th 2021.
 ²²Ahmad Hadi, Ustadh at Pesantren Nurul Muhibbin for Famale, Personal Interview, 25th 2021.