

### CHAPTER III

## THE BOOK OF *AL-IMDÂD*, HISTORY, AND SYSTEMATICS OF THE WRITING

#### A. The History of The Compilation

The compilation of the book *Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd* as a form of the compiler's noble intentions, namely K.H Muhammad Zaini Abdul Ghani (hereinafter will be written with Guru Sekumpul). The book of *Al-Imdâd* is a compilation of the *amaliah* or *wirid* that Guru Sekumpul has taught to his students.

In the last years before Abah Guru Sekumpul passed away, the management of *Al-Zahra* (a company founded by Guru Sekumpul) took the initiative to collect several, prayers, *wirid*, *hizib*, and other practices that had been certified and recommended to be practiced by Guru Sekumpul. The collection was then published in book form. This initiative was approved by Guru Sekumpul. This was the beginning of the publication of the book *Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd*.<sup>1</sup>

During his journey, before the existence of printed books, the practice contained in *Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd* was indeed distributed in the form of small and thin books, but they were still very simple and prone to damage. This printed book edition is much better and makes it easier to hold or to carry when traveling without worrying about missing or damaged sheets.

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<sup>1</sup>Khairullah Zain, "Rahasia di Balik Kitab *Al-Imdâd* Abah Guru Sekumpul" in <https://www.al-zahra.co/rahasia-di-balik-kitab-imdad-abah-guru-sekumpul/>, accessed on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

## B. Biography of The Compiler

Before getting to know more about the Book of Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd, it is better if we first introduce the person who compiled it. The book of Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd was compiled by K.H Muhammad Zaini Abdul Ghani, he is a person who is known as a teacher in the community. He is familiarly known as Guru Sekumpul who is ordained by the name of the area where he lives, namely Sekumpul-Martapura, South Kalimantan. Guru Sekumpul is also good at writing, some of her works are written in Malay Arabic script, including:

1. *Manaqib Wali Allah Ta'âla Sheikh Muhammad bin Abdul Karim Al-Qadiry Al-Hasani As-Samman Al-Madani*
2. *Ar-Risâlah An-Nûrâniyyah, and*
3. *Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli al-Widâd.*

In addition to writing, Guru Sekumpul also teaches books written by authors from various Islamic sciences, some of the books he teaches, such as:

1. *Ihyâ 'Ulûmiddîn* by Imam Al-Ghazâliy
2. *Kitab Sifat 20* by Uthmân bin Abdullah bin Al-'Alawiy
3. *Al-'Ilmu an-Nabrsiy fî at-Tanbîh 'Alâ Manhaj Al-'Akyasiy* by Sayyid Abdullâh bin 'Alawiy bin Hasan Al-Aththâs, and
4. *Tanbîh Al-Mughtarrîn* by Abdul Wahhâb Asy-Sya'râniy.

The teachings of Guru Sekumpul rests on the importance of imitating the morals of the golden generation close to the time of the Prophet, among them is persistence in believing in the Quran and Sunnah both in words and deeds, surrendering to Allah sincerely

in knowledge and charity. Other things taught by him were the determination to emigrate and become a better person, leave hypocritical acts because of Allah, be patient with tests, the spirit of worship, laugh a little and often remember death (*dzikr al-maut*), fear Allah a lot, reflect on the meaning of death, as well as being careful (*wara*) of the world and lust.

Since the 1970s, in South Kalimantan, the recitation held by Guru Sekumpul had described the *Sammaniyah tarekat*, the sect founded by Muhammad bin Abdul Karim, who was born in Medina. Some sources say that the figure who brought this *tarekat* to Banjar was Syekh Muhammad Arsyad Al-Banjari, although this is not the only *tarekat* he has introduced to the local community.

One of the focuses in this flow is the importance of dhikr to Allah. In Martapura and its surroundings, at least the Sammaniyah recitation taught by Guru Sekumpul began to flourish in 1994. The sanad that he connected with also came from Syekh Muhammad Arsyad Al-Banjari.

### **C. The Book of *Al-Imdâd* System Writing**

The book of *Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd* is a book of practice in which there are several selected chapters of Al-Quran. Published by PT. Al-Zahra who resided on Jalan A. Yani Km. 34.5, Sekumpul, Sungai Sipai, Subdistrict of Martapura, Province of South Kalimantan.

The writing of the book *Al-lmdâd* was carried out by five selected people who mastered writing letters as well as graphic design because, in the writing process, this book had quite a unique way. At first, the contents were typed in a word processing application. Then, the writing is converted to a vector. Arranged manually letter by letter with a vector processing application. This is to neatly place sentences, lines, and letters.

The identification of the book *Al-lmdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd* can be seen in the identification below:

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Cover color	: Dark blue
Cover	: Soft cover
Paper	: Dairy paper
Number of pages	: 479 pages

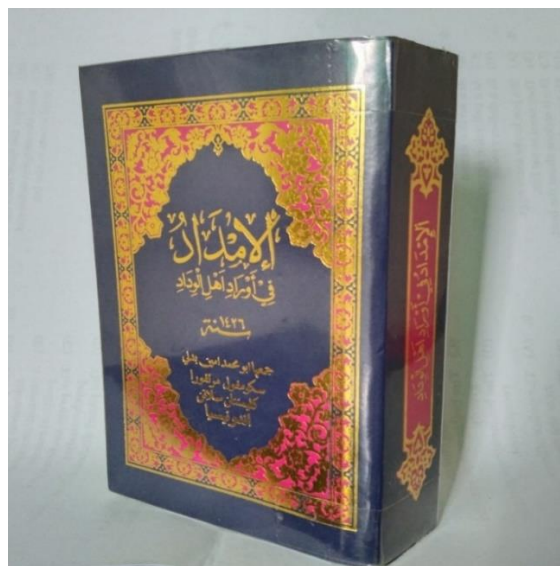
The cover of the book *Al-lmdâd* has a dark blue color, on the first page there is a statement of publication by PT. Al-Zahra. There is also a short biography that writes Ash-Sheikh Muhammad Zaini bin Abdul Ghani complete with the date of birth and death, followed by two photographs of him. As for its contents, the book of *Al-lmdâd* itself contains several chapters of Al-Quran, prayers, *wirid* and their practices, in detail, it can be seen as follows, namely:

Five chapters of Al-Quran *Al-Kahfi*, *Yâsîn*, *Al-Fath*, *Al-Wâqi'ah*, *Al-Mulk*. Then proceed with *Tartib al-Fâtihah*, *Qashidatu al-Burdah li Imâmi Bushiriy*, *Khawâtim Khawâjakan*, *Wirid al-Latîf li Habibi 'Abd Allah bin Alwi al-Haddâd*, *Râtib al-Haddâd li Habîbi' Abd Allah bin Alwi al-Haddâd*, *Wirid as-Sakrân li al-Habîb Abi Bakr as-Sakrân*, *Ratib al-Athâs li al-Habîb 'Umar bin 'Abd ar-Rahmân al-Athâs*, *Hizb al-Bahar li as-Sayyid*

*Abi al-Hasan ash-Syâdzaliy, Hizb an-Nasr li asy-Shaykh 'Abd al-Qâdir al-Jaylânîy, Hizb an-Nawawiy li Imâm Syarif ad-Dîn an-Nawawiy.*

The book of Al-Imdâd also has wirids along with many prayers including *wirid* between the Adhan and Fajr Prayers, Fajr Prayers, Zuhr Prayers, *wirid* Asr Prayers, Maghrib Prayer *wirid*, Isya Prayer *wirid*, Wudhu Prayer, Taubat Prayer, Sunat Prayers Fajr, Fajr Prayer, *Israaq* Prayer, *Dhuha* Prayer, *Istikharah* Prayer, *Hajat* Prayers, *Kifayah* Prayers, *Tasbih* Prayers, Prayer for Hatam Al-Quran, Prayers for Adzim, Prayers for Dzuriat Sayyidina Ali Zainal Abidin, Prayers for Dzuriat Habib Idrus Bin Umar Al-Habsyi li Auladihi, Prayers for Dzuriyat, Prayers for Parents for Their Children, Prayers for Beginning, Prayers with many blessings Habib Hasan Bin Abi Bakar bin Salim, Prayers with many blessings Habib Abi Bakar Al-Adani, and many more. The author will not mention the total contained in this book of Al-Quran, because the author's research only focuses on the chapters of Al-Quran. Here are some physical pictures from the book Al-Imdâd Fî Awrâd Ahli Al-Widâd:

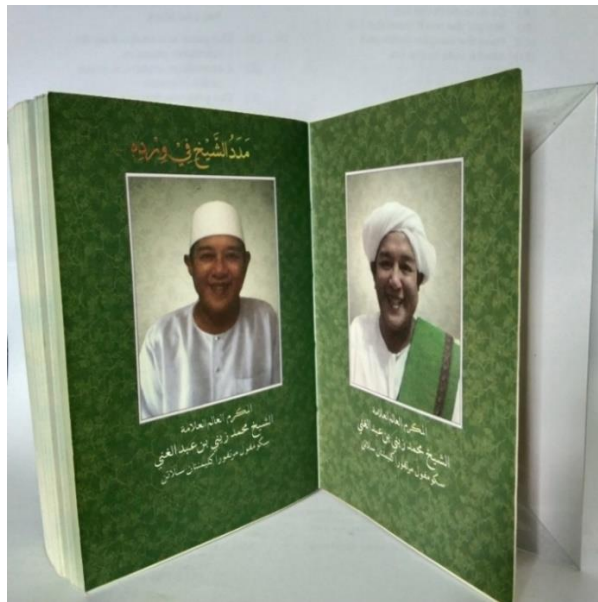
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