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*Bismillâhirrahmânirrahîm*  
*Assalâmu'alaikum wr.wb.*

*Dear Zaini Dahlan*

On behalf of the 1st International Conference on Islamic and Al Washliyah Studies 2022 that organized by Lembaga Kajian Strategis Al Washliyah (LKSA) Pengurus Besar (PB) Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah, we would kindly invite you to participate in the conference as speaker with our proposed theme "Abdurrahman Sjihab: His Movement, Works, and Thought". It will be held on:

Day / Date : Wednesday / December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Venue : Online Via Zoom Meeting

This will be a great opportunity to discuss the recent improvement and challenges in Islam and Al Washliyah Studies.

Finally, we would like to take opportunity to thank for your participation.

*Nasbrun minallâb wa fathun qarîb, wa basysyiril mu'minin.*

*Wassalamu'alaikum wr.wb.*

**LEMBAGA KAJIAN STRATEGIS AL WASHLIYAH**  
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# **ABDURRAHMAN SJIHAB: His Movements, Works, and Thought**

**Zaini Dahlan**

## **INTRODUCTION**

Many local figures of north sumatera which later entered in the national site, ex: m. Arsjad Thalib Lubis, Musthafa Husein, Salim Fachry, Tengku Fachroeddin, Zainal Arifin Abbas, Fuad Said, Ismail Banda, Adnan Lubis, Udin Sjamsuddin, And Abdurrahman Sjihab. Al-washliyah is an islamic organization that has a relatively strong intellectual tradition and religion. Steenbrink revealed that al-washliyah is the third biggest ormas after nu and muhammadiyah (1980s). Al-washliyah is an organization established by ulimates and gives leading ulimates.

One of al-washliyah's figures who serves in religious and state context is abdurrahman sjihab. At this time, works related to abdurrahman sjihab are relatively difficult to find, even when his key thoughts are no lost famous among the people, even at the national level. Efforts to introduce this figure, later successfully conducted by other al-washliyah scientists, namely dr. Ja'far through his 2 monumental works in book and journal articles.

## **ABDURRAHMAN SYIHAB'S BIOGRAPHY: A CURSE OBSERVATION**

Abdurrahman Sjihab is a character who comes from the Mandailing ethnicity with the surname Rangkuti. His father's name was H. Sjihabuddin, a qadi in the Kingdom of Serdang and served in Kampung Paku, Galang, Kingdom of Serdang, Residency of East Sumatra. H. Sjihabuddin bin Jamangis is married to Hj. Tupin bint Lebai Karim (Hasanuddin, 1988). They were blessed with a number of children including Abdurrahman Sjihab, Bahauddin Sjihab, Zakiah Sjihab, Umar Sjihab and Abdurrahim Sjihab (Ja'far, 2020).

Abdurrahman Sjihab was born in Kampung Paku, Galang (now part of Deli Serdang Regency) in 1910. Abdurrahman Sjihab received religious education informally and formally. From 1918 to 1922, he studied at the Sairussulaiman Islamic School at Simpangtiga Perbaungan. He also received general education at the Gubernement school. He continued his religious education at the Maktab Islamiyah Tapanuli (MIT) for the upper secondary level (Qismul 'Aly). In 1927, he opened a madrasa in Medan and went to Malaya and returned to Medan in 1928 and started

teaching at MIT and founded the Debating Club which was a discussion group. Abdurrahman Sjihab had studied religion in Makkah while performing the pilgrimage. He studied Islamic knowledge from Sheikh 'Ali al-Maliki, Sheikh 'Umar Hamdan, Sheikh Hasan Masysyath, Sheikh Amin al-Kutubi and Sheikh M. 'Alawi.

Abdurrahman Sjihab once visited the Shaulatiyah Madrasa led by Sheikh Rahmatullah al-Hindi and the Dar al-'Ulum Madrasa led by Sheikh Muhammad Yasin Padang. Abdurrahman Sjihab is married to Hj. Faridah and blessed with 10 children. After his first wife died, Abdurrahman Sjihab re-married Zubaidah Tamin and they had five children. Abdurrahman Sjihab is 45 years old. He died in Medan, Monday, 7 February 1955 at 06.00 WIB. Approximately 1.5 months he was hospitalized due to illness he had suffered since the end of 1954. He died while carrying out the mandate as General Chairperson of the Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah Executive Board, administrator of the Masjumi Party Central Executive, and member of the DPRS.

## **ABDURRAHMAN SHIHAB'S MOVEMENTS, WORKS AND IDEAS: HISTORICAL SURVEY**

### **THE ABDURRAHMAN SJIHAB MOVEMENT IN THE RELIGIOUS SOCIAL FIELD:**

Abdurrahman Sjihab is a great scholar from Medan, North Sumatra Province and has contributed to the development of Islamic teachings and da'wah (Abbas in Ja'far, 2020; Abbas, 2010). Abdurrahman Sjihab is a scholar who adheres to the Sunni school of thought, adheres to the Syafi'i school of jurisprudence and adheres to the Ahlussunnah waljamaah school of faith in the field of faith.

After completing his education in religion, he and his colleagues founded the Debating Club. In this MIT student association, Abdurrahman Sjihab became chairman. Other administrators are Sjamsuddin, Ismail Banda, Adnan Nur and Sulaiman. Not satisfied with the Debating Club, Abdurrahman Sjihab and his colleagues tried to convert the Debating Club from just a discussion group into an organization, namely Al-Jam'iyatul Washliyah (1930). Al Washliyah under the command of Abdurrahman Sjihab paid intense attention to the fields of education, da'wah and social charity. That doesn't mean you don't care about politics.

### **ABDURRAHMAN SJIHAB'S MOVEMENT IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION:**

Abdurrahman Sjihab initiated the construction of madrasas and schools. Al Washliyah manages 523 madrasah units and 48 school units, and these educational

institutions are spread over three Residencies: East Sumatra, Aceh and Riau. (Ja'far, 2020). Sjihab initiated the establishment of an all-girls madrasah, a decision that was unpopular at the time. This idea was rolled out on May 4, 1940.

Sjihab on several occasions conducted comparative studies, for example attending the 2nd Tarbiyah Islamiyah Association Congress (Perti) which was held in Bukittinggi, April 28-May 5 1939. This opportunity was used to review educational institutions in West Sumatra which were known to be more advanced and modern, and met with scholars and educational leaders there. He discussed with Sheikh Ibrahim Musa Parabek, A. Gaffar Jambek, Rahmah El Yunusiah, A. Hakim Hamid/Tuanku Mudo and Mahmud Yunus (Sulaiman (ed.), 1956). Then study in Saudi Arabia by visiting the Shaulatiyah Madrasa and Dar al-'Ulum Madrasa.

#### ABDURRAHMAN SJIHAB'S MOVEMENT IN POLITICS:

Abdurrahman Sjihab's contact with the world of politics occurred when he attended the 3rd Congress of the A'la Indonesia Islamic Council (MIAI) in Solo on 7-8 July 1941. He led many organizations, for example: Chairman of the East Sumatra MIT Regional Leadership which later transformed into the Masjumi Party.

Abdurrahman Sjihab was entrusted with holding a number of positions at the local level. He became an employee of the Religious Affairs Office (1944-1945), Chairman of the Religious Board of the Republic of Indonesia (1945), Deputy Head of the Religious Council and Chief Religious Officer for the Residency of East Sumatra, the Islamic Religion Department (1946). He was then entrusted with serving as Deputy Head of the North Sumatra Religious Office in Kutaraja (1949) and Inspector for Social Services of North Sumatra. At the same time, he was a member of the North Sumatra DPR and an executive member of the East Sumatra DPR (1945-1948).

In 1947, he was elected a member of the Central Indonesian National Committee (KNIP) and Since 1949, Abdurrahman Sjihab has been a member of the Masjumi Central Leadership Council (DPP) in Jakarta. In 1954, Abdurrahman Sjihab was appointed as a member of the Provisional People's Representative Council (DPRS) from the Masjumi Party with member number 185.

#### WORKS OF ABDURRAHMAN SJIHAB:

Sjihad produced several books and a number of articles. The first book was titled *Penoentoen Hadji: How to do Hadji Practically*, which was published by Boekhandel Islamijah in Medan in 1940. The second book is entitled *Mengoendjoengi Tanah Haram* which was also published by Boekhandel Islamijah in Medan. The *Al Djamijatul Washlijah ¼ Century Commemorative Book (1956)* informs two other works, namely *Speech Religion on Radio* and *Biography of H. Abd. Rahman Sjihab*.

Some of Abdurrahman Sjihab's writings in the form of articles have been published in books published by the Al Washliyah Executive Board and Medan Islam magazine. One of the articles found entitled "Commemorating Al Djam'ijatul Washlijah 21 Years 30 November 1930-30 November 1951" is 19 pages thick and was published in the book *21 Years Al Dj. Washlijah (1951)*. In the same book, there is an article entitled "Views on the Ministry of Religion." In the Medan Islam magazine, Sjihab contributed several articles, including "Al Djamijatul Washlijah's XX Birthday Anniversary 30 November 1930-30 November 1950," "The Base of Victory," "Snatching King's Day" and "Tarich Imam Aboehanifah.". Abdurrahman Sjihab also wrote history.

#### WORKS OF ABDURRAHMAN SJIHAB:

Abdurrahman Sjihab, apart from writing, also manages magazines. It is recorded that he was once a member of the editorial board of Medan Islam and the leadership of Raudatul Muta'allimin. Medan Islam was first published on November 1, 1933 and initially under the leadership of Abd. Wahab and Yusuf Ahmad Lubis, while Raudatul Muta'allimin was published for the first time in February 1937. In the Al Washliyah environment before independence, several other magazines were known such as *Suara Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah* which was published starting March 1, 1939, the Islamic Council managed by M. Arsjad Thalib Lubis since 1935, the *Kerdja* magazine managed by the Al Washliyah Youth Movement, or the *Crescent Star* magazine.

#### ABDURRAHMAN SJIHAB'S IDEA:

In the field of education, Abdurrahman Sjihab initiated the construction of madrasas and schools. Sjihab was even the initiator of establishing a special madrasa for women at that time. Regarding the idea of political thought, no specific

data has been found regarding Abdurrahman Sjihab's political thought. In contrast to their colleagues in the Al Washliyah organization, Adnan Lubis and M. Arsjad Thalib Lubis, who once wrote down their ideas in the political field. While at the Constituent Assembly, Adnan Lubis delivered his speech on the Islamic state and several of his articles on politics have been published in al-Islam magazine. Meanwhile, M. Arsjad Thalib Lubis (1967) wrote about the position of head of state (President Soekarno) in the perspective of Islamic law, he even wrote a special article to respond to the awarding of the title waliyul amri dharuri by Nahdlatul Ulama to President Soekarno. It is possible that Abdurrahman Sjihab also has ideas in the political field considering that some of his essays have yet to be found (Ja'far, 2020).

## **CONCLUSION**

Sjihab's journey as a national league was running dynamically. Although his was not long (45 years old), he was successful to carry gold ink as an influential figure at the local and national school. Sjihab has played a significant role in the national political map, is a religious figure, people leader, introducer of al-washliyah school and madrasah and a freedom fighter.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Aljamiyatul washliyah should build cooperation with various parties, both within and abroad to increase the scientific capacity of al-washliyah residents so that leaders, scientists, scholars, scholars of international caliber are born. Aljamiyatul washliyah must turn on the past traditions by sending students abroad to the middle east, europe and america. As a form of dissemination of ideas and ideas, al-washliyah should facilitate ulama, scholars in disseminating them by developing publishing institutions that are already under the control of cas and or LKSA.

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**RUNDOWN ACTIVITIES**  
**1<sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ISLAMIC AND AL WASHLIYAH STUDIES**  
**Islam and Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah: Past, Present and Future**

<b>December 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022</b>			
09.00-09.05	Opening Ceremony	Zuhri Arif, S.H., M.H. (Master of Ceremony)	Seminar Room
09.05-09.10	Reciting some verses of the Quran	Abdul Rasyid Rosandi, M.Pd.	Seminar Room
09.10-09.15	Reporting from Organizing Committee	Dr. Zaini Dahlan, M.Pd.I.	Seminar Room
09.15-09.20	Opening Remarks by <i>Ketua Hubungan Antar Lembaga Pengurus Besar Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah</i>	Wizdan Fauran Lubis, S.E., M.M.	Seminar Room
09.20-09.30	Welcoming and Opening International Conference Activities by <i>Ketua Umum Pengurus Besar Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah</i>	Dr. KH. Masyhuril Khamis, S.H., M.M.	Seminar Room
09.30-09.40	Reciting Do'a	Dr. Mohammad Al Farabi, M.Ag.	Seminar Room
09.40-10.40	<b>Keynote Speaker 1:</b>  "Asha'rism in Nusantara: Review on the Role of Traditional Ulama in Shaping the Islamic Belief" by <b>Dr. Umar Muhammad Noor</b> (Universiti Sains Malaysia)	Efrini Panjaitan, M.Hum.	Seminar Room
10.40-11.40	<b>Keynote Speaker 2:</b>  "Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah during the Colonial Era: Outline of Movements in the Formative Period" by <b>Prof. Dr. Hasan Asari, M.A.</b> (UIN Sumatera Utara Medan)		
11.40-12.00	<b>Break</b>		



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**Plenary Session 1:**

Moderator: Efrini Panjaitan, M.Hum.

Times: 12.00-13.00 WIB

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NO.	SPEAKERS	THEME	INSTITUTIONS
1	Prof. Dr. Mhd. Syahnan, M.A. & Dr. Ja'far, M.A.	Al Washliyah Fatwa Council's Response to Contemporary Islamic Issues	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan & IAIN Lhokseumawe
2	Dr. Ridwan Nurdin, MCL.	The Future of Al Washliyah: Modern and Its Independency	UIN Ar-Raniry Banda Aceh
3	Dr. M. Riduan Harahap, M.Pd.I.	Al Washliyah and the Future of Islamic Higher Education	UNIVA Medan
4	Dr. Irwansyah, S.H.I., M.H.I.	Al Washliyah's Fatwa on Ramadan	UNIVA Medan
5	Hablil Ikhwana, S.E., M.M.	Building the Future of Al Washliyah Economy	UNIVA Medan
6	Dr. Ja'far, M.A.	Adnan Lubis: His Life, Works, and Epistemology	IAIN Lhokseumawe, Aceh
7	Dr. T. Faizin, M.Kom.I.	The Role of Shaykh M. Arsjad Th. Lubis in Islamic Preaching	IAIN Lhokseumawe, Aceh





## Plenary Session 2:

Moderator: Zulpina, M.Pd.I.

Times: 13.00-14.00 WIB

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NO.	SPEAKERS	THEME	INSTITUTIONS
1	Dr. Arwin Juli Rakhmadi Butar-butur, M.A.	الجمعية الوصلية ، علم الفلك والمرصد الفلكية	Universitas Muhammadiyah Sumatera Utara
2	Dr. Imam Yazid, M.A.	الوصلية والعرف من علمائها	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan
3	Radinal Mukhtar Harahap, S.H.I., M.Pd.	الشيخ حسن معصوم دالي سيرته الموجزة و دوره بالمملكة	STIT Ar-Raudlatul Hasanah Medan
4	Fatimah Ibrahim, M.H.I.	تجدد العالمات في الدين في جمعية الوصلية بين الآمال و الأمنيات	Madrasah Aliyah Al Washliyah 12
5	Dr. Harun Alrasyid, M.A. & Dr. Ja'far, M.A.	نظام الجمعية الوصلية في تقويم تعليم اللغة العربية	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan & IAIN Lhokseumawe



### Plenary Session 3

Moderator: Zuhri Arif, S.H., M.H.

Times: 14.00-16.00 WIB

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1	Dr. Maesaroh Lubis, M.Pd.	Al Jam'iyatul Washliyah: Records, Contributions and Solutions	Universitas Muhammadiyah Tasikmalaya
2	Dr. Ahmad Khoirul Fata, M.Fil.I.	Paths of Struggle: Dynamics of Islamic Politics in Indonesia	IAIN Sultan Amai Gorontalo
3	Dr. Sakti Ritonga, M.Pd.	Shaykh Yusuf Ahmad Lubis: His Life and Social Religious Movements	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan
4	Dr. Zaini Dahlan, M.Pd.I.	Abdurrahman Sjihab: His Movement, Works, and Thought	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan
5	Dr. Ismed Batubara, S.H., M.H.	Al Washliyah: Problems and Action Agenda	UMN Al Washliyah
6	Dr. Mohammad Al Farabi, M.Ag.	The Future of Al Washliyah Educational Institutions: Efforts to Ground Science Integration	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan
7	Asep Komarudin, S.Ag., M.Ud.	Al Washliyah's Educational and Intellectual Tradition	Universitas Al-Ghifari Bandung
8	Muhammad Sholeh, M.Pd.I.	Al Washliyah in Central Java	Universitas Islam Negeri Prof. K.H. Saifuddin Zuhri Purwokerto
9	Syah Wardi, S.H., M.H.	Al Washliyah Jihad Resolution	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan
10	Maisyaroh, S.Pd.	Shaykh Hasan Ma'sum: His Life and Role in Islamic Education	UIN Sumatera Utara Medan



**Awsat Forum**



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