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P-333 Muslims` Attitude Towards Divorce :the problem of fiqhÊ postulates

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Divorce in its variant forms whether initiated by a husband or a wife ideally should be controlled within the minimum limit as anticipated by the socio-religious requirements of Islam .The reason being that the Prophet has vociferously condemned its wanton use by both women and men. Nevertheless, in our age marriage break- ups ending in divorces have become a worrying phenomenon the world over, including Malaysia. . To remedy the situation, legislative reforms of the Muslim laws have been a regular exercise. However, in our view, for such reforms to succeed ,we need to address the basic jurisprudential postulates that have shaped its laws and orientated public outlook/attitude towards practicing it. The bottom line, therefore is as to how Muslims perceive divorce and its procedures ,as formulated by the dominant schools of legal thought.The most widely held opinion among people is that they can practice divorce even if it contradicts the set procedures of the Qur'an .Simply because a certain school of legal thought validates it.This kind of naïve approach to Islamic law as articulated by many law books on divorce ,being a replica of the larger problem of taqlid, has seriously hampered the success of reform attempts in our time .Accordingly, in this paper , we try to take the readers ``back to basics`` with the prime aim of enlightening them about some pertinent jurisprudential postulates that surround the dissolution of marriage .To this end ,the paper covers a brief overview of divorce ,then it proceeds to address its jurisprudential postulates in terms of Shari `ah value and its procedure so as to identify the most Shari'ah consistent view from among the variety of juristic interpretation.

P-334 Gated Community, Theory and Implementation in Landscape and Housing Area of Malaysia

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The interpretation of gated community in Malaysia often been regarded as a residential community area equipped with human or electronic security surveillance. However, the true meaning is a community area enclosed by walls and fences, most of the time having controlled over the entrances especially for automobiles and pedestrians. It is an issue where the concept was only used for profit gaining and not looking at the holistic approach towards overall community planning and the landscape environment. This research will review the current practice of community planning in Malaysia and seek to establish any significant developments pertaining to planning implication and community landscape in the approaches used. The paper will appraise international and local case studies to compare the true meaning, theory and implementation of the term gated community. This research aims to contribute to emerging guidelines for gated community development in Malaysian.

P-340 A Contextual Approach on The Views of Muslim Feminist Interpreters of The Qur'ón Regarding Women and their Rights in the Society

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The interpretation of the texts of the Qur'én regarding the rights, role, and status of women is a challenge and much debatable subject. The Qur'én is seen by almost all Muslims as the literal words of Allah (swt). The majority Muslim exegetes interpreted the verses of the Qur'én by applying a method of literal reading. In modern context, regarding women's rights, Muslim feminist interpreters of the Qur'én have applied a contextual approach with regard to the historical, social, and political context in which the verses were revealed in order to disclose an underlying liberal intent, which may liberate Muslims from a