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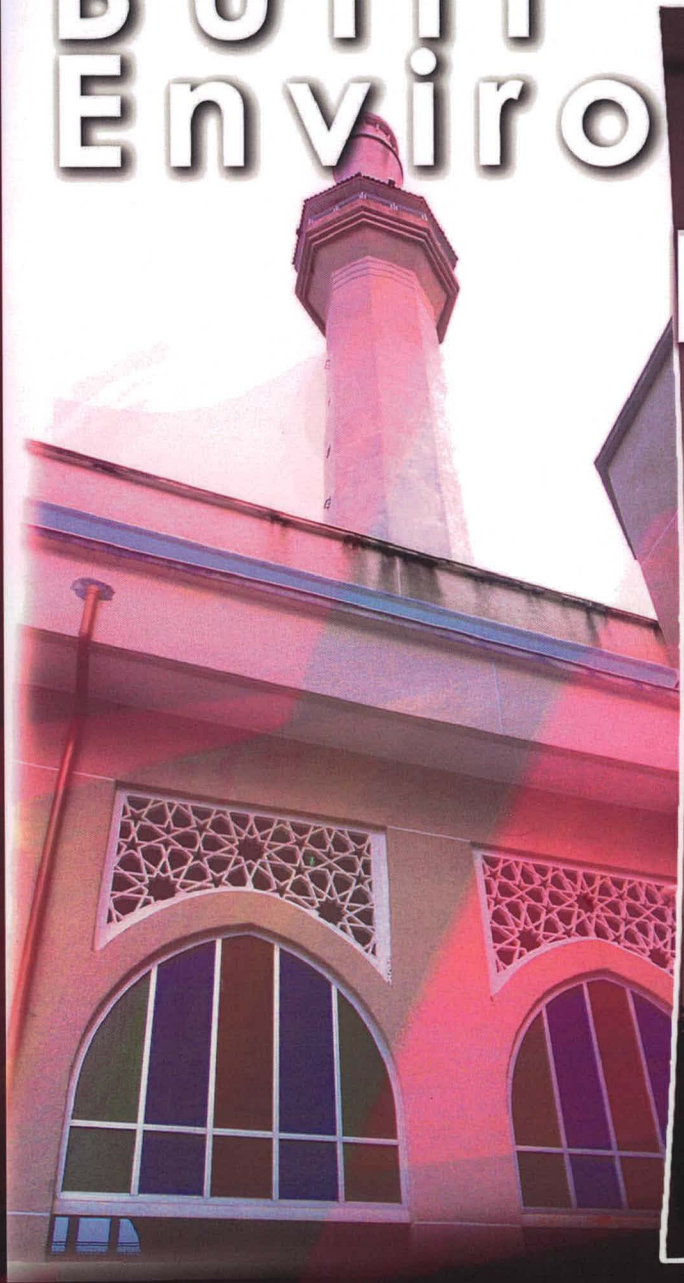

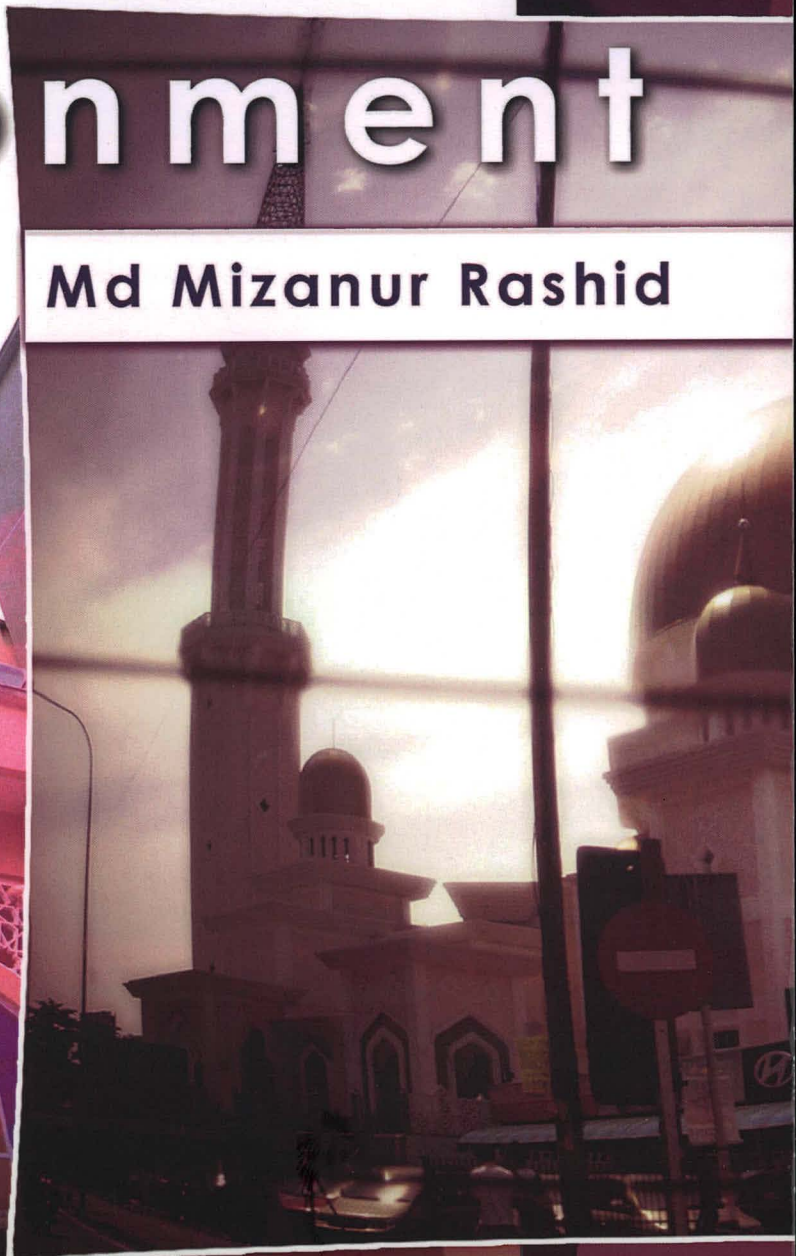

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ISLAMIC GUIDING PRINCIPLE (*SHARI'AH LAW*) FOR ARCHITECTURAL INTERPRETATION OF HOUSING

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ABSTRACT

House is basic architectural structure which everybody possesses. People built houses based on their culture, belief, climate, status and preference. Allah mentions the important of the house as place for rest in Al Quran. According to prophet in order to achieve happiness ones should have spacious house. These shows the design of the house need detail consideration in many aspects. The objective of this research is to find guiding principle from Al Quran and sunnah regarding the planning and design of a house. The guiding principles are found from Al Quran, hadith Sahih and other related literature. The findings of this research are focusing on the privacy, safety and interior decoration aspects of house. This research is very important because it contributes towards achieving house design which is comfortable and bless by Islam.

HOUSE AS BASIS OF SOCIETY

Presently demand for land is increasing because of vast development. Consequently, many types of building are erected each year. The most basic type of building own by every person is a house. House is a basic building typology that need detail consideration in terms of design and planning in order to achieve a better living place.

إِنَّ لَكَ أَلَّا تَجُوعَ فِيهَا وَلَا تَعْرَىٰ ﴿١١٨﴾
وَأَنَّكَ لَا تَظْمَؤُا فِيهَا وَلَا تَضْحَىٰ ﴿١١٩﴾

Behold, it is provided for you (o Adam), that you shall not hunger or feel naked, and you shall not thirst here or suffer from the heat of the sun (20:118/119)

The basic right of the son of man is for three things; house to live in, a piece of cloth to cover his body, a loaf of bread and water. (Narrated Al tirmidhi)

"Having a dwelling falls within the necessary minimum that must be sought by everyone since lack of it causes people to be displeased with God and even sometimes to deny Him."(Imam al-Ghazali)