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FORMER GOVERNOR RAMALAN YERO, KASU SCHOLAR SPEAK ON RECONCILIATION AT RAMADAN LECTURE



Former Governor of Kaduna State, Mukhtar Ramalan Yero, and a scholar from Kaduna State University (KASU) have emphasized the importance of reconciliation in strengthening families, businesses, and social relations.

They spoke at the 31st Annual Ramadan Closing Lecture organized by Federation of Muslim Women's Associations in Nigeria (FOMWAN).

The lecture, titled "The Importance of Reconciliation in Marital Relationships, Business, and Social Relations," brought together Islamic scholars, community leaders, and members of the Muslim community to reflect on the role of peace, justice, and understanding in societal development.

Chairman of the occasion, former Governor Mukhtar Ramalan Yero, emphasized the need for unity, tolerance,

and peaceful coexistence within society.

According to him, reconciliation remains a vital Islamic principle that promotes harmony within families, business relationships, and communities.

In his presentation, the Director of the Centre for Qur'anic and Arabic Studies at Kaduna State University, Dr. Yahaya Abdullahi, explained the concept of reconciliation, known in Islam as Sulhu, from both linguistic and Islamic jurisprudence perspectives.

He described reconciliation as one of the most important mechanisms in Islam for resolving disputes and promoting justice.

Quoting verses from the Qur'an and narrations from the companion Abu Huraira, Dr. Abdullahi noted that reconciliation occupies a significant place in Islamic teachings.



He also cited instances in the life of Prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him), when the Prophet delayed congregational prayers in order to reconcile disputing parties, an act that highlights the importance Islam places on restoring peace among people.

According to the scholar, reconciliation helps prevent conflict and violence, strengthens marital relationships, and promotes fairness in business and social interactions.

Dr. Abdullahi further explained that Islam clearly distinguishes between what is lawful (Halal), unlawful (Haram), and doubtful matters (Shubha), advising Muslims to avoid doubtful matters in order to safeguard their faith and integrity.

He stressed that reconciliation must never be used to justify injustice or compromise clearly established Islamic principles.

Citing a Qur'anic verse, he explained that believers are instructed to reconcile between conflicting parties while ensuring that justice prevails.

According to him, when disputes arise, efforts must first be made to reconcile the parties involved by carefully investigating the matter, listening to both sides, and restoring rights to those who have been wronged.

Dr. Abdullahi also advised Muslims to avoid engaging in businesses or organizations that promote oppression or exploitation, stressing that justice, fairness, and accountability must guide all human interactions.

Speaking on family life, he emphasized the need for mutual understanding between spouses.

He noted that marriage should be built on cooperation, respect, and a balance between family responsibilities, work, and personal development.

He also encouraged families to create opportunities for dialogue and peaceful discussions within the household in order to address challenges and strengthen unity.

The scholar reminded participants that those who engage in injustice and dishonesty will ultimately face divine accountability, while those who uphold truth and justice will receive Allah's mercy in both this world and the hereafter.

In her remarks, the Amirah of the Kaduna State chapter of FOMWAN, Nafisat Musa Isah, expressed appreciation to the invited scholars, dignitaries, and participants for attending the annual Ramadan lecture.

She explained that the lecture serves as a platform to educate the Muslim community on Islamic values, moral responsibility, and peaceful coexistence.

Also speaking, Barrister Murtala Nasir, who delivered remarks on behalf of Sheikh Ahmad Abubakar Gumi, noted that reconciliation remains an essential tool for resolving disputes within society and within the legal system.

He observed that when disputes reach the courts, not only the disputing parties are tested, but the judicial system itself must demonstrate fairness and impartiality.

He therefore urged members of the community to promote unity, peaceful dialogue, and constructive engagement in addressing societal challenges.

Goodwill messages were delivered by Malam Sani Isah on behalf of Malam Sulaiman Mohammed Adam, Chief Imam of Sultan Bello Mosque, as well as Barrister Tahir U. Tahir, Director-General of Kaduna State Bureau of Interfaith.

The programme also featured an interactive session where participants asked questions and received responses from scholars on issues relating to reconciliation, family relations, and ethical conduct in Islam.

In a vote of thanks, Amira Aisha Isiyaku expressed appreciation to the speakers, dignitaries, and participants for their contributions toward the success of the annual Ramadan lecture.



ANNUAL END OF RAMADAN LECTURE
INMANCI SULHU A MU'AMALAR
THE KASUWANGI DA ZUMUNCI
 Allah take place as follows:
TIME: 10:00am prompt
 ers, A/I Akilu Road, Kawo, Kaduna

Honorary Chairman of the Occasion
 His Royal Highness
BRIL MAI GWARI II (Sawan Allah)
 Emir of Birnin Gwari

Co-Chair
 His Excellency
ALH. MUKHTAR RAMALAN YERO
 Former Governor, Kaduna State

Hoster of the day
 His Excellency
DR. HADIZA SABUWA BALABARE
 Deputy Governor of Kaduna State

Guest Lecturer
DR. YAHAYA UMAR ABDULLAH
 Professor of Islamic Law & Arabic Studies
 Kaduna State University



