# ELEMENT OF SERVICE QUALITY EFFECT ON CUSTOMER SATISFACTION IN PUBLIC ISLAMIC BANK BERHAD (PIBB)

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#### ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study is to examine the element of service quality that has relationship to customer satisfaction towards Islamic Banking Products offered by Public Islamic Bank Berhad (PIBB). In order to increase the business volume and company's profit, the quality of service need to be improved and this research will help to identify the element of service quality that have directly influence the customer satisfaction in adopting the Islamic Banking product offered by PIBB.

Therefore, the study has been conducted in PIBB, Pulau Pinang branch. Different background of respondent has been used in this study. Questionnaires in English and Bahasa Melayu have been distributed to 500 customers and the researcher managed to collect only 116 questionnaires from the respondents. Respondent were asked to rate their evaluation of element of service quality in order to meet their satisfaction.

Hypotheses of the study were tested using SPSS tools. The finding with overall result indicated that the independent variable and dependent variable were excellent and the study supported the hypotheses of the study and were found to be significantly related to customer satisfaction

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## CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION

The popularity of the Islamic banking system is not limited to the Islamic community only. Increasingly large international conventional banks are showing interest in the Islamic banking system. Though the Islamic banking system is different from the conventional banking system, but there are some similarities between the two. An Islamic bank conducts its activities in accordance with the Islamic Sharia'h principles that strictly prohibit any payment or receipt of interest and also offer products and services which are similar to those offered by a conventional bank. The consequence of this is that Islamic banks are faced with strong competition not only from Islamic banks but also from non-Islamic rivals (Moutinho & Naser, 1997).

When competition intensifies and when banks start to offer more or less similar products and services, it is the customer's satisfaction that can influence the performance of an Islamic bank and determines its competitiveness and success (Al-Khatib, Jamal & Naser, 1999). Hence it is of paramount importance to assess the degree of customer satisfaction towards Islamic banks.

Customer satisfaction is widely recognized as a key pressure in the formation of consumers' future purchase intentions. In today's highly competitive, increasingly consolidated world, offering personalized and differentiating services can be critical to an Islamic bank's success.