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**[AWARENESS OF MONEY LAUNDERING AMONG  
WORKERS IN PEJABAT AGAMA ISLAM DAERAH  
LIPIS PAHANG]**

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## **ABSTRACT**

Perceptions related to awareness of money laundering among all District Islamic Religious Offices in Lipis are crucial for enhancing awareness so that they do not engage in activities prohibited by Islamic teachings. The District Islamic Religious Offices in Lipis serve as places where family issues are resolved amicably. 3 respondent are selected from 30 people in the office. This respondent are selected by unit that have in the office. However. This research examines the responses of 3 employees working in the District Islamic Religious Offices in Lipis. Data was collected through face-to-face interviews to facilitate the data collection process. The data gathered from these interviews were transcribed to further facilitate analysis by the researcher. Based on the findings of this study, it was found that 3 out of the respondents have a relatively good understanding of money laundering. Furthermore, among the factors contributing to awareness of money laundering are understanding the concept of money laundering, religious legitimacy, and learning and access. The research findings also suggest that education on money laundering should be enhanced. Future research is encouraged to conduct studies more easily as there are many sources that can be referenced.

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# **CHAPTER ONE**

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **1.1 Research Background**

Over the past twenty years, there has been a growing amount of emphasis focused on the transnational phenomena of money laundering. Money laundering is defined by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) as the processing of criminal proceeds to conceal their unlawful source (Isolauri,2022). The proceeds of a crime can be hidden in a variety of ways. Cash transfers out of the nation, purchasing enterprises with channelled funds, purchasing easily transportable goods, price transfers, and using "underground banks" are a few of them. Governments and law enforcement launched steps in the late 1980s that resulted in the development of a more comprehensive set of global controls to impede and impact the proceeds of crime via the financial system (Levi,2006).

This may occur as a result of a lack of understanding of the idea of money laundering. This is due to the fact that money laundering is sometimes carried out covertly in order to conceal the proceeds of crime from the authorities, allow the criminals to utilize the money for a more opulent lifestyle, and establish the legitimacy of their holdings (Levi,2020). According to Islam, money laundering is a ta'zir offense. tazir offense is an offense whose rate and punishment are not determined in Al-Quran and As-sunnah. In addition, it is also included in the ta'ziris punishment which is singled out at the discretion of the state and the judiciary as appropriate. so, it is clear that making illegal money is illegal under Islamic law. These matters should be avoided and should be taken seriously by all Muslims in the world (Jabbar, 2011).