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**EXPLORING UNDERSTANDING OF
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IN SABAK BERNAM, SELANGOR**

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ABSTRACT

Paddy cultivation is one of the major agricultural sectors in Malaysia. This is because rice is a staple food for Malaysians. All commercially produced agricultural products, including paddy must be paid zakat on it. This is an obligation to be obeyed by Muslims. Zakat is not only focused on worship, but also a contributor to the economic development of Muslims in Malaysia. Especially in Sabak Bernam which is one of the major rice producing areas in Malaysia. Based on this background, this study focuses on exploring the understanding of paddy zakat among farmers in Sabak Bernam. This study uses a qualitative method in which farmers who cultivate paddy in this district will be interviewed to find out their level of understanding of paddy zakat. These data were analysed and evaluated to obtain study results. It is hoped that this study can measure and recommend improvements for any zakat institution in managing paddy zakat collection.

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