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ABSTRACT

This study was attempted to investigate the factors that affecting people behavioural intention towards usage of e-zakat online system. The purpose of this research is to identify and determine whether perceived ease of use, perceived usefulness, security and privacy, trust, and knowledge about zakat system will impact people behavioural intention towards usage of e-zakat online system in Selangor. A survey approach has been adopted in this research where the data collected via structured questionnaire. The questionnaire was distributed to 384 respondents of zakat payers in Selangor, Malaysia. In this research, the researchers developed a new construct in measuring the zakat online usage. The data were then quantitatively analysed using SPSS program. The finding shows that all variables are correlated significantly with online zakat usage. Further analysis using multiple regression analysis indicates that only perceived ease of use, perceived usefulness, security and privacy, and knowledge about online zakat system are significant influence on online zakat usage. This study suggested to zakat institutions that perceived ease of use, perceived usefulness, security and privacy, are important in encouraging online zakat usage. Thus, the results of this study can be a guideline to the zakat institutions to make improvement in terms of online zakat usage in the future.

Keywords: Zakat online system, perceived ease of use, perceived usefulness, security and privacy, trust, knowledge.

ABSTRAK

Kajian ini cuba untuk mengkaji faktor-faktor yang mempengaruhi orang ramai tingkah laku terhadap penggunaan sistem online e-zakat. Tujuan penyelidikan ini adalah untuk mengenal pasti dan menentukan sama ada kemudahan penggunaan, kefahaman, keselamatan dan privasi, kepercayaan, dan pengetahuan mengenai sistem zakat akan memberi kesan kepada orang ramai tentang tingkah laku terhadap penggunaan sistem talian e-zakat di Selangor. Pendekatan tinjauan telah digunakan dalam kajian ini di mana data yang dikumpul melalui soal selidik berstruktur. Soal selidik diedarkan kepada 384 responden pembayar zakat di Selangor, Malaysia. Dalam kajian ini, para penyelidik membangunkan pembinaan baru dalam mengukur penggunaan dalam talian zakat. Data tersebut kemudian dianalisis secara kuantitatif menggunakan program SPSS. Hasil kajian menunjukkan bahawa semua pembolehubah dikaitkan secara signifikan dengan penggunaan zakat dalam talian. Analisis lanjut dengan menggunakan analisis regresi berganda menunjukkan bahawa hanya mendapat kemudahan penggunaan, kegunaan, keselamatan dan privasi, dan pengetahuan tentang sistem zakat dalam talian adalah pengaruh penting terhadap penggunaan zakat dalam talian. Kajian ini mencadangkan kepada institusi zakat yang dilihat mudah digunakan, dilihat kegunaan, keselamatan dan privasi, adalah penting dalam menggalakkan penggunaan zakat dalam talian. Oleh itu, hasil kajian ini dapat dijadikan pedoman kepada institusi zakat untuk membuat penambahbaikan dari segi penggunaan zakat dalam talian pada masa akan datang.

Kata kunci: Sistem dalam talian Zakat, dilihat penggunaan yang mudah, kegunaan, keselamatan dan privasi, kepercayaan, pengetahuan.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This chapter wanted to give more understanding about the behavioural intention of zakat payers towards E-zakat online system in Malaysia. Thus, this research focuses in identifying the determinants influenced the usage of E-zakat online system among zakat payers in Malaysia. There are six main points that will be deliberated in this chapter which include: The research background, problem statement, research objectives, research questions, scope of the study, and significant of the study.

1.1 BACKGROUND

Nowadays, the utilisation of technology has been widely used as payment system for almost everyone. Innovation and positive advances in technology will eventually change and affect the lifestyle of the community. This phenomenon also leads to the use of zakat online systems known as E-zakat. E-zakat is a portal, where payers can update zakat-related information, calculate their zakat, pay zakat and track zakat payments directly from the portal. Zakat is not a charity, not a voluntary charity and not a duty but an obligation. By giving zakat, a Muslim acknowledges that everything we have is God and we do not really have it, and we have to use it to remember God and help those in need. It is also an act to help free us from excessive desire and greed, studying self-discipline and honesty.

In Malaysia, the first zakat organization that used the internet for zakat payment system is Lembaga Zakat Selangor (LZS). Through this portal, zakat payers are no longer limited to normal office hours to pay their zakat and allow greater accountability for payers to discharge their obligations. No need of going to a zakat counter that making everyone at ease. As zakat is one of the five pillars of Islam and has been made obligatory by Allah to each and every Muslim to carry out. Zakat institution must be aware that the convenient for every Muslim to pay and get to know better about their zakat is important. This research focus on investigating the factors that influenced the usage of online zakat.

1.2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

It is predicted that various ways that would facilitate zakat payers are from the continuously improvements and innovative approaches. As time goes by day to day, there are variety of latest payment channels was emerged such as payroll deductions, bank counters, post office counters, appointed agents, internet portals and many more. The increasing of payment from all the channels showing that there are needs for those payment channels. The appearance and introduction of online internet portal as a new zakat payment channel is predicted will contribute to the increasing of zakat collection's amount.

The total of zakat collection has increased because of factors like ease of paying method, efficiency in the management of zakat, privatization of zakat institution, increasing numbers of zakat payers and their incomes and many more. Bakar et al. (2016) have found that, their respondents strongly agreed that it is an easier way to get information regarding zakat through the website of the zakat institutions.

However, the findings show that 29 percent of the zakat payers in Selangor is still unaware of the system even though e-zakat has been deployed since 2002. Besides, only a few respondents use e-zakat online system for their zakat payment. Most respondents prefer traditional zakat payments which is through the zakat counter (Roni & Tarmidi, 2015).

In order to solve this matter, the zakat payment system should enable to be a platform that allow everyone to carry out their responsibilities with effectiveness. Factors that influence individuals to pay zakat through online system should be taken into consideration. Whether the zakat online system can facilitate and open space more efficiently for individuals paying zakat.

1.3 RESEARCH QUESTIONS

This study prefer the new techniques or system used by people that can enhance the existing system that is currently being used in Malaysia for zakat funds. These are the research questions for the project:

- What are the factors that affecting usage behavioural intention towards online zakat system?
- What is the key factor affecting the usage of online zakat system?
- What is the level of public awareness about online zakat system?

1.4 RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

The main study objectives have been constructed as per below:

- To identify the factors that affecting usage behavioural intention towards E-zakat online system.
- To determine the key factor affecting the usage of E-zakat online system.
- To analyse the public awareness about the E-zakat online system.