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About SIS

Sisters in Islam (SIS) is a civil society organisation working towards advancing the rights of Muslim women in Malaysia within the framework of Islam, universal human rights principles, constitutional guarantees as well as lived realities and experiences of women.

Mission Statement

To promote the principles of gender equality, justice, freedom and dignity in Islam and empower women to be advocates for change.

What We Do

- ◇ Promote a framework of women's rights in Islam which takes into consideration women's experiences and realities;
- ◇ Eliminate injustice and discrimination against women by changing mindsets that regard women as inferior to men;
- ◇ Raise public awareness and reforming laws and policies within the framework of justice and equality in Islam.


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“ I have gained so much from the knowledge that they impart to assist single mothers like me. SIS makes us feel more courageous and assists us in solving our problems.”

– *Latifah Abdul Rahman,*
member of Coalition of Muslim Women's Rights (GAHWI).



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Sisters in Islam

Empowering Voices for Change

Sisters in Islam is supported by the generosity of donors who believe in the work we do. Your contributions go a long way in helping us create positive impacts on the lives that we touch.

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www.sistersinislam.org/donate

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Advocacy

Calls for Reform

We believe that to make life better for women and for all Malaysians, we must be open to constructive change. Thus, engagement with policymakers, the media, NGOs and grassroots women's group and other key audiences to lobby for law and policy reform is critical. We also advocate to the public on issues related to women's rights such as polygamy, child marriage, guardianship of children, moral policing, and freedom of expression.

Legal Services

Telenisa Legal Aid Clinic

We believe in providing support to those who need help. Telenisa is a free legal advisory service for women and men to inform them of their legal rights under the Islamic Family Law and the Syariah Criminal Offences Law in Malaysia. Through the Nik Noriani Legal Aid Fund, we also provide limited filing fees for clients, upon application. Since 2003, we have helped over 10,000 clients make better, informed decisions.

Telenisa Legal Aid Clinic Operating Hours

Every Tuesday, Wednesday and
Thursday from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm
(closed on public holidays)



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Outreach and Empowerment



Public Engagement & Capacity Building

Engagement with the public is an important aspect of our work. We regularly organise study sessions, public forums, workshops and dialogues as channels for the public to engage on current issues that affect women and Malaysians. These platforms are especially important to us in the context of rising conservatism and extremism, both nationally and globally.

We believe in building voices for change. We provide training for women to know and assert their rights, and to create a space for debate and discussion on women's rights and Islam. Since 2000, we have reached out to women from all walks of life including grassroots women, policymakers, activists, journalists, religious leaders, human rights activists, lawyers, university students, artists, and young political leaders (Muslims and non-Muslims) in Malaysia and around the world.



Musawah

The impact of SIS work - from local to global. In February 2009, we initiated and launched a global movement for equality and justice in the Muslim family known as Musawah (Arabic for equality). Musawah works in the areas of Knowledge Building, International Advocacy, Outreach and Capacity Building. Musawah's publication, *Men in Charge? Rethinking Authority in Muslim Legal Tradition* is a major reference in various universities globally.

For more information on Musawah, please visit:

www.musawah.org

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Research

We believe that knowledge is power! Research is the backbone for our arguments for legal reform, introduction of new policies, and challenges to statements made in the name of Islam that discriminate against women and violate the ethical teachings of the religion. Amongst the research we have conducted are:

- ◇ *Muslim Family Law Reform - A Model Law*
- ◇ *Impact of Polygamy on Muslim Families in Peninsular Malaysia*
- ◇ *National Report on Child Marriage: Its Relationship with Religion, Culture and Patriarchy*

Publications and Resource Centre

Everyone has the right to knowledge. As of 2018, we have 28 titles published and growing. Among our titles are *Islamic Family Law and Justice for Muslim Women*, *Islam and Polygamy*, *Are Muslim Men Allowed to Beat their Wives?* and *Women as Judges*. SIS also publishes a thematic bulletin called *Baraza!* and a quarterly e-newsletter.

Our Resource Centre houses a collection of over 4,500 items on progressive understandings of Islam. Our materials include books, periodicals, bulletins, reports and pamphlets.

We are open to the public on Mondays to Fridays
from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.

Admission is free, by appointment only.

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