



## Maintaining Family Harmony in Islamic Law According to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i

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### Abstract

This research explores and discusses the importance of maintaining family harmony in Islamic family law according to the *Madhhab* of Imam Syafi'i. This article, explained that maintaining family harmony is started from the attachment between husband and wife in the marriage context. Both parties must respect, appreciate, and support each other and understanding self rights and obligations. Furthermore, this article also explained the importance of good communication between family members. Each family member have to own the ability of listening and sparing time to talk to each other, then problems arises can be resolved properly. In addition, good parenting from parents to their children is also very important in maintaining family harmony. This article also emphasized the importance of avoiding actions of damaging family harmony such as infidelity, harsh words, and household violence. This could endanger family harmony and potentially caused a rift in husband and wife relationship also between parents and children. This article also emphasized the importance of maintaining the unity and entity in family, thus each family member could feel the ownership of being part of a family that supports and holds each other in life. In conclusion, this article affirmed that harmony in the family is very important in Islamic family law according to the *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i. In maintaining family harmony, each family member need to support each other and maintain the integrity of the family as a whole unit. Therefore, promoting family harmony should always be a major concern for every Muslim family

## Introduction

Family is one of the most important institutions in human life. The family is not only a place to grow and develop, but also a place to learn and find the sense of comfort. In the context of Religious life, the family is also an institution where religious education is carried



conducted. Therefore, maintaining family harmony is very important to achieve success and happiness in life.<sup>1</sup>

The role of a family in human life become very crucial. Family is a place where human can optimally grow and develop, also a place to find the sense of comfort.<sup>2</sup> In religious aspect, a family act the important position as an institution of providing religious education.<sup>3</sup> Therefore, maintaining family harmony is the key in achieving success and happiness in life.

In Islam, family law and marriage are regulated in the law of Islam. *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i is one of *madhhab* in Islam that is believed to be one of the four legitimate *madhhab* in issuing *fatwas*.<sup>4</sup> *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i has the concepts and rules of family law and marriage in Islam.

Islamic Sharia provides the law of family and marriage as part of inseparable religious principles. In Islam, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i is believed to be *madhhab* of high authority as it considered as a source of answers to matters related to legal issues in Islam. The concepts and rules issued by *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i to the family and marriage law strongly refer to Quran and Hadith of the Prophet Muhammad SAW. Therefore, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i is considered as one of the internationally valid *madhhab* in issuing *fatwas*.<sup>5</sup>

The importance of maintaining family harmony in Islam is concerned seriously as family is considered the foundation of society. A harmonious family leads to positive contribution to society and create peace around the surrounding community.<sup>6</sup> The religion of Islam provides rules and guidelines to maintain family harmony and avoid conflicts in the household. *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i considers family and marriage as an important part of life as it considered as valid in the world and also in hereafter. Thus, maintaining family harmony in Islam can be stated to be a sign of strong sincerity of faith.

The implementation of marriage procedures such as dowry payments, provide the living, and good treatment between husband and wife is highly emphasized in Islamic teachings and *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i. It is caused by the important of husband and wife relationship in the life of a Muslim, as this relationship forms the basis of the family. In addition, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i emphasizes the obligation of children to take care of their parents until the end of life, as it growth happiness in the family. Broadly speaking, harmony in Islamic family regulated in *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i is the focus of this study because it is believed to help in strengthening the value of faith and creating harmony in the family.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Soesmalijah Soewondo, "Keberadaan Pihak Ketiga, Poligami dan Permasalahan Perkawinan (Keluarga Ditinjau dari Aspek Psikologi," in Soemiarti Patmonodewo et.al. (ed.), *Bunga Rampai Psikologi Perkembangan Kepribadian dari Bayi sampai Lanjut Usia* (Jakarta: UI Press, 2001), 154-183.

<sup>2</sup> Graciela Jasa Silveira, "CHALLENGING THE CENTRALIST DOCTRINE IN MEXICAN FAMILY LAW: AN ANALYSIS OF THE EVOLUTION OF STATE AUTHORITY OVER CIVIL LAW MATTERS AND ITS IMPACT ON THE REGULATION OF COHABITATION AND DIVORCE," *Mexican Law Review* 9, no. 1 (2016): 45-79. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.mexlaw.2016.09.003>

<sup>3</sup> Huixia Liu and Zhenjie Liao, "Study on the influence mechanism of learning-application matching of graduates from private institutions: Based on human capital and family capital perspectives," *Heliyon* 9, issue 11 (2023): e22077. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2023.e22077>

<sup>4</sup> Muhammad Abubakar Siddique, Abdul Rashid, and Usama Tahir, "Factors affecting the credibility of islamic banking Shari'ah approvals: Perception-based empirical study," *Borsa Istanbul Review* 23, no. 2 (2023): 426-442. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bir.2022.11.010>

<sup>5</sup> Tri Haryadi, "Pengalaman Suami dan Para Istri pada Perkawinan Poligami Studi Fenomenologis pada Sebuah Keluarga Poligami," *Thesis*, Universitas Indonesia, 2009, 65

<sup>6</sup> Ling Wang and Jianqing Ruan, "Conflict or harmony? The impact of family cultural diversity on children's educational attainment," *Economic Modelling* 125 (2023): 106310. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econmod.2023.106310>

<sup>7</sup> Doni Widiyanto, "Gambaran Cinta pada Seorang Istri yang Suaminya Berpoligami," *Thesis*, Universitas Gunadana, 2009, 5.

This study aims to reveal the concepts and rules given by *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i to the causes of problems exist in a family and how to maintain harmony in the family. This research is expected to provide benefits and insights for readers, especially in habituating themselves and their families to the Islamic teachings. Through this research, readers are expected to understand better about Islamic teachings related to family and how to maintain family harmony in Islam, then help strengthen the value of faith and create harmony in the family. Thus, a harmonious family can have a positive impact on the surrounding community, also become a provision for readers to face problems in the family in appropriate way which in line to the teachings of Islam and *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i.

## Method

The research method used for this study is literature research method. This research conducted by obtaining literature related to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i and family in Islam, both from books, articles, and other relevant documents. Then, the information obtained were processed and analyzed to find the concepts and rules given by *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i related to the causes of problems in the family and how to maintain family harmony in Islam. The data found recorded and analyzed descriptively.<sup>8</sup>

Furthermore, data on the concepts and rules in *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i regarding the family in Islam were analyzed deeper through qualitative approach, where the author compared several literature texts to draw clearer conclusions on the topic studied. The author also seek additional information from reliable sources to strengthen the argument presented.<sup>9</sup>

By using literature research method, it is hoped that this research provide a better understanding of the concepts and rules of *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i related to the family in Islam and provide insight and benefits for readers in habituating themselves and their families to the Islamic teachings.<sup>10</sup>

## Results and Discussion

### 1. The Approach of Madhhab of Imam Shafi'i in Regulating Family Law and Marriage Refers Strongly to Quran and Hadith

The approach of *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i in regulating family law and marriage refers strongly to Quran and Hadith of the Prophet Muhammad SAW. For instance, in the matter of marriage, *Kitab al-Umm*, Imam Shafi'i stated that dowry (bride price) in marriage must be given by the husband to his wife before the marriage conducted. This is based on the word of Allah in surah al-Nisa verse 4 which stated that dowry should be given as a woman's right.

Moreover, in the matter of living, Imam Shafi'i explained that the husband is responsible to provide living for his wife and children, as mentioned in Quran and Hadith. This is in line with the Qur'anic in surah al-Talaq verse 7 which stated that Allah will provide sufficiency to provide living for whomever He wants.<sup>11</sup>

In the matter of *talaq* (divorce), Imam Shafi'i also gave certain provisions that if a husband and wife divorce due to a dispute and failure to resolve the matter, then the husband must give full dowry to his wife. This is in line with the word of Allah in surah al-

<sup>8</sup> Sugiyono, *Metode Penelitian Kuantitatif, Kualitatif, R&D* (Bandung: Alfabeta, 2017), 78.

<sup>9</sup> L. J. Moleong, *Metodologi Penelitian Kualitatif* (Bandung: Remaja Rosdakarya, 2017), 112.

<sup>10</sup> A. Subagyo, *Metode Penelitian Kualitatif: Perspektif Teoritis dan Praktis* (Jakarta: Rajawali Pers, 2017), 34.

<sup>11</sup> Ibid

Talaq verses 2-3 which stated that the word of *talaq* should be done wisely and dowry should be given to the wife at the time of divorce.

Through its emphasis on Quran and Hadith, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i shows that family law in Islam should be based on authentic and accountable Islamic sources. On this part, the emphasis on the sources of Islamic teachings can provide guidance for the adherent of *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i in living a marriage and family life which in line to the Islamic principles.<sup>12</sup>

In general Islamic teachings, and especially *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i, the importance of using authentic Islamic sources is an obligation. Thus, the adherent of *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i can commit their religious practices appropriately in line to the Islamic teachings. In the context of family law and marriage, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i agree that Quran and Hadith are the basis of teachings, which are then elaborated in the books of *fiqh*.

This approach also allows the adherent of *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i to adapt Islamic law to their social, cultural, and society appropriately, while remaining the harmony to the Islamic teachings. This approach is an attempt to accommodate changing era and society environments without neglecting Islamic principles.<sup>13</sup>

By using this approach, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i suggests that family law in Islam must be properly understood and applied in real life to create a harmonious and peaceful family. Therefore, it is important to understand and apply family law in Islam by referring to valid and authentic guidelines, so the main goal in family life can be achieved, which then leads to achieve happiness and harmony in living together.

## **2. Family is Considered as a Basis of Society in the Concept of Islam and Madhhab of Imam Shafi'i**

In the view of Islam and *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i, family is considered as a basis of society. The family is the first unit in society and a place of character development and moral values for each member.

*Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i recognizes the family as an important institution in Islamic society. The family is considered as a place where a person's morals and spirituals are formed before living the wider society. Therefore, the family must be viewed as a very important order for the sustainability of society.<sup>14</sup>

In the view of Islam and *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i, family is also considered a place to realize a better humanity. Family should be a place where every member can grow and develop optimally, whether spiritually, socially, and intellectually. In addition, family is also considered as a place to create mutual respect, love, and responsibility for each other. *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i emphasizes the importance of ordinances in a family, both in the relationship between husband and wife and between parents and children.

Respect the family in Islamic view and *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i is reflected on Islamic family law, where the family is governed and explained its rights and obligations in Islamic religion. Islamic family law provides direction and guidance for each family member to care for and build family harmony.

Family is considered as a basis of society in the view of Islam and *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i. The family should be seen as an important institution for sustainability of society

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<sup>12</sup> Amir Syarifuddin, *Hukum Perkawinan Islam di Indonesia* (Jakarta: Kencana Prenadamedia Group, 2006), 35.

<sup>13</sup> Adiyaksa Dhika Prameswara and Hastaning Sakti, "Pernikahan Jarak Jauh (Studi Kualitatif Fenomenologis Pada Istri yang Menjalani Pernikahan Jarak Jauh)," *Jurnal Empati* 5, no. 3 (2016): 417-423. <https://doi.org/10.14710/empati.2016.15360>

<sup>14</sup> Ahmad Rofiq, *Hukum Perdata Islam di Indonesia* (Jakarta: PT Raja Grafindo Persada, 2015), 7



and a place for better humanity. Therefore, maintaining family harmony and unity should always be a major concern for every Muslim family.<sup>15</sup> The recognition of the importance of the family in Islam is also affirmed through several verses in Quran and Hadith. For example, verse 21 of surah al-Rum stated that “And one of His signs is that He created for you spouses from among yourselves so that you may find comfort in them. And He has placed between you compassion and mercy. Surely this are signs for people who reflect.”

The Prophet's Hadith also mentioned the importance of maintaining family harmony, such as a Hadith narrated by Bukhari which stated that “a muslim with most perfect faith is the best moral, and the best character is the one with the best treat to his family.”

Therefore, the approach in Islamic family law due to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i always emphasizes the importance of family as the basis community of sustainability. Creating a family in Islam is to enforce obligations and responsibilities in the world as a regulator and maintainer of sustainability of society. Thus, maintaining family harmony as the basic unit of society as it considered very important in the concept of Islam and *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i.

### **3. The Concept of Family Law in Islam**

There are several principles become the basis concept of family law in Islam, including:

#### *a. Justice*

Justice is one of the main principles in the concept of family law in Islam. The regulation of inheritance rights is one example where the principle of justice is highly upheld in Islam. In Islamic concept of family law, each member of the family have a right in a fair share of inheritance although sometimes there are differences due to status, gender, and closer family relationships.

In this concept, a boy gets a larger share compared to a girl, as it happen if the boy meets certain predetermined conditions. Similarly, the circumstances of other relatives such as siblings are divided fairly in inheritance. It aims to provide balanced empowerment to each family member, prevent social inequality and provide family security and stability in their lives. Justice is an important value in the Muslim family and should be maintained and applied to maintain harmony and family welfare.<sup>16</sup>

#### *b. Balance*

Islam teach a marriage as a social contract between husband and wife based on love, affection, and trust. In Islamic concept of family law, the relationship between husband and wife must be maintained in a balanced balance. Husband has the obligation to provide physical and mental sustenance to the wife, such as eating, drinking, clothing, and shelter. Moreover, husband must also secure and protect the wife, provide sufficient living, and commit his duties as a wise and fair head of the family. On the other hand, wives also have important roles and responsibilities in the integrity and happiness of the family.<sup>17</sup> The wife should give respect and obedience to her husband, and perform household duties. The role of the wife in the family is no less important than husband. They both complement each other and need each other to build a harmony and happy family.

In the concept of Islamic family law, balance in husband and wife relationships must always be maintained so the household become well. Each partner must understand their rights and obligations, respect each other, support and build cooperation in every decision

<sup>15</sup> Ibid

<sup>16</sup> Ibid

<sup>17</sup> Jan E. Stets, Phoenicia Fares, Melanie Kushida, Quinn Bloom, and Juha Lee, “Family arrangements, identity verification, and happiness,” *Social Science Research* 108 (2022): 102771. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssresearch.2022.102771>

taken. In Islam, a couple who maintains balance in the marriage relationship will be a happy and prosperous family.<sup>18</sup>

### *c. Religious Provisions*

In the concept of Islamic family law, Quran and Hadith are the main sources of religious provisions that must be used as a reference and prioritized as a guide to life in Muslim families. All the rules and regulations regulated in Quran and Hadith become standard guidelines for muslim families, including the matters of marriage, divorce, family obligations, and inheritance.

Decision making in muslim families should be based on the teachings of Qur'an and Hadith. In the case of marriage, Muslim families must obey the procedures and conditions set by religion such as *ijab kabul*, *mahr*, marriage guardian, and others. In the case of divorce, the couple must obey the ordinances prescribed by religion to avoid hostility and obtain inner peace.

Family obligations are also very important in Islam. A husband is obliged to provide physical and mental support to his wife and maintain the safety and security of the family. In addition, the wife also has an obligation to take care of the household and educate the children. All these obligations arranged must be carried out properly and always concerning Quran and Hadith.

Inheritance rights are also an important part of Islamic concept of family law. Every member of the family has the right in a fair inheritance share and regulated detailly in the holy Quran and Hadith. In this regard, muslim family must obey all the rules regulated and apply it honestly and fairly to create harmony and peace in the Muslim family.<sup>19</sup>

### *d. Intention and Desire*

In Islamic concept of family law, intentions and good desire play an important role. Good intentions the conditions to fulfilled in implementing every family rules and procedures in Islam. The success of a family in implement the teachings of Islam depends on sincere and good intentions, that all actions taken later can be the media to achieve a noble end goal.

Desire is as important as intention in impkementing the concept of family law in Islam. Good desire helps a person in taking appropriate and wise actions. Every action in Muslim family should be done with awareness, sincerity, and clean heart. The desire and intention of these two things must always synergize and go hand in hand as a foundation of family life.

In implementing the concept of Islamic family law, the main goal of the family should be seeking the pleasure of Allah SWT. Every rules and regulations regulated in Islam must be taken with good intentions and sincerely and done with awareness and sincerity. So that, the family can walk the path of life that Allah SWT believes and get the blessings in their lives.

Furthermore, good intentions and desire can also help families to avoid disputes and divisions. In any situation, muslim families must maintain good intentions and desire in order to avoid rifts and conflicts that are detrimental to both parties. Therefore, good intentions and desire are essential in the concept of Islamic family law to help maintain harmony and blessings in the life of Muslim family, also lead the family towards a better and meaningful life.<sup>20</sup>

By implementing the concept of family law in Islam, it is hoped that the verses of Allah can be fought and continue to expand in hoisehold life. Families become united, care for each other, and always honor the truth.

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<sup>18</sup> Bonifasia Agiesta, "Hubungan Komunikasi Interpersonal antara Suami Istri dengan Kepuasan Perkawinan pada Istri yang Bekerja, *Thesis*, Universitas Sanata Dharma Yogyakarta, 2018.

<sup>19</sup> Murniati, *Getar Gender: Perempuan Indonesia dalam Perspektif Agama, Budaya, dan Keluarga* (Magelang: Indonesia Tera, 2004), Second Edition, 197

<sup>20</sup> Abdul Muhammad Mathlub, *Panduan Hukum Keluarga Sakinah* (Solo: Era Intermedia, 2005), 10

#### 4. Family Law in Islam According to Madhhab of Imam Shafi'i

Family law in Islam has a very important role in maintaining the continuity of the family as the basic unit of society. One of the main reference *madhhab* in Islamic family law is *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i. Here are several things about Islamic family law according to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i:

##### a. Wedding

*Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i is one *madhhab* in Islam that sees marriage as a worship provided for humans to increase the value of worship. In Imam Shafi'i's view, marriage is considered as an important institution in Islam and should be taken seriously by every Muslim.

Since the marriage has an important role in supporting the continuity of the family and society, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i emphasizes the importance of committing marriage orderly and in line to the Islamic rules. In this regard, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i emphasized the importance of paying attention to issues related to marriage, such as the rights and obligations of married couples, roles and responsibilities of the family, and efforts to maintain the marriage. Imam Shafi'i also taught the importance of careful and conscious preparation before marriage. One important conditions in marriage is the willingness and awareness of both parties in committing the marriage to be carried out. Thus, it is also important to pay attention to Islamic rules in managing marriage, such as the conditions to meet before marriage, the agreement between the two parties, and the consent of the family. In conclusion, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i considered the importance of committing marriage orderly and in line to the Islamic rules. Marriage is considered as a worship that must be observed properly and commit it in the right way to the religious guidance. By committing marriage properly and *istiqomah*, every Muslim is expected to play his role in the family and society properly and correctly.<sup>21</sup>

##### b. The position of husband and wife

*Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i recognize the different position of husband and wife in Islam. According to this view, the husband has the responsibility to provide financial needs of the family, while the wife is responsible for maintaining the home and taking care of the children. Although it have different respective roles, they both have the same rights and obligations towards the family. Specifically, husband has the responsibility to meet the family's financial needs such as food costs, electricity, water bills, and other needs. In addition, husband also has the responsibility to provide a living of money to his wife and children, also provide a safe and comfortable place to live for his family. On the other hand, wife is responsible in maintaining the house and taking care of the children.<sup>22</sup> These tasks include cleaning the house, cooking meals and paying attention to children to grow healthily and happily. The term for this role is "Housewife" or in Arabic "*Ummul Bait*." Although both have different roles, they have the same rights and obligations towards the family. The right of husband and wife equally to care and raise children, so they grow into intelligent children, beneficial to the family, society and the country. The same obligation is to help and support each other in living a harmony family life. In the view of *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i, the different position of husband and wife in Islam is a complement and harmony. It is expected that each roles and obligations can be conducted well and support each other. Thus, a healthy and happy family is formed.<sup>23</sup>

<sup>21</sup> Ahmad Rafi Baihaqi, *Membangun Surga Rumah Tangga* (Surabaya: Gita Media Press, 2006), 44

<sup>22</sup> Lei Lei and Sonalde Desai, "Male out-migration and the health of left-behind wives in India: The roles of remittances, household responsibilities, and autonomy," *Social Science & Medicine* 280 (2021): 113982. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socscimed.2021.113982>

<sup>23</sup> Ahmad Atabik and Kharidatul Mudhiyah, "Pernikahan dan Hikmahnya Perspektif Hukum Islam," *YUDISIA: Jurnal Pemikiran Hukum dan Hukum Islam* 5, no. 2 (2014): 286-316. <http://dx.doi.org/10.21043/yudisia.v5i2.703>

### c. Divorce

Divorce in Muslim families is an undesirable event, yet it happens for variety of reasons sometimes. According to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i, before deciding to resolve conflicts with divorce, married couples must try to resolve their problems properly and peacefully. This is in line to the principles of Islam which emphasize the importance of keeping the family together. In this case, the couple must be mature and rational in resolving conflicts, avoid actions of worsening, and find mutually beneficial solutions for both parties. However, if the problem still cannot be solved properly and peacefully, then divorce can be the last option.<sup>24</sup> Nonetheless, couples must follow the procedures arranged in Islamic law to break their marriage life. This includes mediation and reconciliation efforts through intermediaries trusted by both parties. In the case of divorce, Islam affirms the importance of saving the rights and obligations between husband and wife, especially in the maintenance of children. Each party must obey the Islamic law and fulfill the rights that established fairly. Thus, a fair and good agreement can be reached, even in difficult situations.

In maintaining the integrity of the family, married couples must try to solve problems in a good and peaceful way. However, if an amicable solution is not possible, divorce can be the last option. Here, Islam demands the couples to fulfill their obligations and obey by the laws of Allah SWT to save the rights and maintain the integrity of the family.<sup>25</sup>

### d. Inheritance

According to the concept of *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i, inheritance arrangements are conducted fairly and proportionately. It has been explained in Qur'an that a son receives twice inheritance more than a daughter. Nevertheless, there remains a debate among scholars about how to arrange a more appropriate and fair on this matter. Despite the debate, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i emphasizes that wealth is a gift from Allah SWT and must be used for good interests and beneficial to humans in line to the Islamic guidance. The heir is commanded to attend to the needs of the family, but must also give property to those in need such as the poor, orphans, the poor, and others.

Giving grants is also one of the permissible ways in Islam to correct inequality in the distribution of inheritance. However, the granting must be done thoughtfully and carefully to not cause harm to the recipient and decrease of rights for the heir. In the context of inheritance, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i affirms that every Muslim must understand the rights and obligations as heirs. In this case, the property belonging to the heir must be properly managed for the benefit of the family and society and in line to the Islamic principles. Thus, the arrangement of inheritance in Islamic family law according to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i must be carried out in accordance with wisdom and wisdom in order to realize justice and welfare for Muslims.<sup>26</sup>

### e. Polygamy

*Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i permits the practice of polygamy, as if the polygamy conducted in line to the terms and conditions stipulated in Islamic law.<sup>27</sup> One of the conditions is proper justice in providing living, time, and affection to the wives.<sup>28</sup>

### e. Child caring

In Islamic family law, due to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i, parents have the primary responsibility in caring their children, both physically and intellectually. Parents also have an obligation to provide good and correct religious education to their children.<sup>29</sup> In

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<sup>24</sup> Alessandro Balestrino, Cinzia Ciardi, and Claudio Mammini, "On the causes and consequences of divorce," *The Journal of Socio-Economics* 45 (2013): 1-9. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.socec.2013.02.006>

<sup>25</sup> Ahmad Atabik and Kharidatul Mudhiiah, "Pernikahan dan Hikmahnya..."

<sup>26</sup> Ibid

<sup>27</sup> Aurangzaib Alamgir, "Islam and Polygamy: A Case Study in Malaysia," *Procedia - Social and Behavioral Sciences* 114 (2014): 889-893. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.sbspro.2013.12.803>

<sup>28</sup> Mardani, *Hukum Keluarga Islam di Indonesia* (Jakarta:Prenada Media Group.2016), 36

<sup>29</sup> Abdul Rahman Ghazaly, *Fiqh Munakahat* (Jakarta:Prenada Media Group: 2019), 14



conclusion, family law in Islam according to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i provides direction and guidance for every member of the Muslim family to maintain family harmony and unity. This Islamic family law also emphasizes the importance of moral and ethical values in family relationships and the importance of carrying out worship properly and correctly.

## Conclusion

From the discussion above, it can be concluded that maintaining family harmony is important in Islamic family law according to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i. This can be done through a right understanding of the roles and responsibilities of each individual in the family, whether husband, wife, or children. Islamic family law according to *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i also regulates various aspects of family life, such as marriage procedures, talaq, and fair also proportional distribution of inheritance. In addition, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i also stresses the importance of avoiding worsening act of family conflicts, then seeking peaceful and mutually beneficial solutions. In maintaining family harmony, *Madhhab* of Imam Shafi'i also pays attention to Islamic values and principles which are used as a basis for decision making and problem solving. Thus, Muslim families can lead a harmony and peaceful life which in line to the religious guidance.

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