The Term Waswas and Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD) In Islamic Perspectives

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Abstract

The term waswas appears five times in the Quran and seven times in seven Hadith books collections. Its interpretations by exegetes and scholars in Islamic studies vary, but one is associated with obsessive-compulsive disease (OCD). The connection between OCD and waswas is based on the fact that ideas and acts that aren't believed are repeated over and over again. Emotions and self-confidence will be affected by the impacts of this OCD. This is a study of the term waswas with the express objective of identifying its components that correspond to a contemporary understanding of OCD. This paper also will investigate the factors that determine the elements that can be associated with waswas and OCD. This is a qualitative study that employs content and document analysis to examine chosen Islamic interpretation of the al-Quran, Hadith and traditional scholar viewpoints, with an emphasis on three characteristics of OCD: obsession, compulsive behaviour, and causation. The results shows that OCD is associated with extreme waswas. OCD and waswas also related from the satan’s roles in starting of the whispers and convincing the patient to reduce their memory to Allah. These conditions can be occur in their worship dan the faith. However, the treatment ti OCD’s patient and waswas can be treated through a religious approach. The Quran and Hadith constitute the final miracle, transcending geographical and generational boundaries. Although OCD appears to be a recent diagnosis, its essence is mentioned in the magnificent Al-Quran.

Keywords: Waswas, Obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD), al-Quran, Hadith
1.0 INTRODUCTION

When waswas term is discussed in an Islamic perspective, the focus of most of these studies has been a discussion from al-Quran. This paper investigates the factors that determine the elements that can be associated with waswas and OCD. The term “waswas” in al-Quran usually referred in few other words. There are five words of waswas in al-Quran which refer to keywords al-waswas, waswas, yuwaswis, fawaswas and tu-waswisu, found in four surah, which are surah Al-Nas, Al-A’raf, Toha and Qaf (al-Baqiy, 2002). In order to address these ethical concerns, the following reviews in detail according to al-Quran:

Table 1. Waswas term in al-Quran

| SENTENCE | SURAT | FREQUENCY | KEYWORDS |
|----------|-------|-----------|----------|
| من شر الوسواس الخانم | Al-Nas: 114:4 | 1 | (الوسواس) al-Waswas |
| الذي يووسوس في صدور الناس | Al-Nas: 114:5 | 1 | (يوووسوس) Yu-waswisu |
| فوسوس من الشيطان البذيء | Al-A’raf: 7:20 | 2 | (فوسوس) Fawaswas |
| فوسوس إليه الشيطان | Toha: 20:120 | 1 | (تووسوس) Tu-waswisu |
| ولقد خلقنا الإنسان وعلمنا ما لوسوس به نفسه | Qaf: 50:16 | | |

Table 1 shows an overview of five al-Quran ayat that is surat Al-Nas 114:4-5, Al-A’raf 7:20, Toha 20:120 and Qaf: 50:16. In surat Al-Nas 114 has emphasized the importance of mankind to seek refuge with Allah in three aspects that is Lord and Cherisher (Rabb), The King or Ruler (Malik) dan The god or judge (Ilah) from religious safety brought by devil among jin and men (Wahbah Zuhaili, 2009). While in surah Al-A’raf 7:20 and
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Toha 20:120 the relative importance of story about Iblis whispered to Adam and Hawa to approach the prohibited tree. While in surah Qaf: 50:16, represents power of Allah who knows all the whispers that is expressed or hidden in the depths of the human heart. According to al-Tabrasiy (1986: 216), this ayat refers to what is whispered in the soul in secret so that no creature can know. According to al-Tha‘alibiy (1997: 282), waswas in this ayat focused on the whisper from cognitive perception which does not provide any benefit at all.

According to Mu’jam Mufahras li al-Faz al-Hadith al-Nabawi and from websites like Dorar.net, Sunnah.com, there are 16 hadith includes repeated hadith in wazan waswas, waswasat, fawaswas, yuwaswis, al-muwaswis, al-waswasah, al-waswas, waswas include Hadith title. However, there are only 7 hadith in 7 Kutub Hadith collected. Dispalys of atraf (base) hadith in 7 Kutub Hadith which are al-Bukhariy, Muslim, Abu Dawud, Al-Tirmidhi, Al Nasaei, Ibn Majah and Ahmad not include others kutub like al-Baihaqi, Muwatta’ or al-Mustadrak as table 2 as follows:
### Table 2. Review of waswas Terms in 7 Kutub Hadith

| No. | MATAN HADITH                                                                 | NO. HADITH                                                                 |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|     |                                                                                           | B | M | AD | T | N | IM | A                                      |
| 1.  | إنَّ الشَّيْطَانَ، إِذَا سََِعَ النِِّديَاءَ بِِلصَّلََةِ، أَحَالَ لَهُ ضُرَاطٌ، خَتَّاً لا يَتَّسبَع صَوْتَهُ، فَإِذَا سَكَتَ، رَجَعَ فَوْسُوسٌ، فَإِذَا سَكَتَ رَجَعَ فَوْسُوسٌ ذَهَبَ خَتَّاً لا يَتَّسبَع صَوْتَهُ، فَإِذَا سَكَتَ رَجَعَ فَوْسُوسٌ | / | (389) | | | | | |
| 2.  | أنَّ رَجَالَةَ مِن أَصْحَابِ النَّبِّ صَلَّى اللََُّّ عليهِ وسلَّمَ حينَ توُفَِِِّنَبِّ صَلَّى اللََُّّ عليهِ وسلَّمَ حزِنوا عليه، حتََّّ كَادَ بعضُهُم يَوسُوسُ | / | (33) | | | | | |
| 3.  | سُئِلَ النَّبِّ صَلَّى اللََُّّ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ عَنِ الْوَسْوَسَةِ قَالَ: تِلْكَ مََْضُ الِْيمَانِ | / | (133) | | | | | |
| 4.  | الحَدَّةُ اللَّهُ الَّذِي رَدَّ كَيْدَهُ إِلََ الْوَسْوَسَةِ | / | (5112) | / | (10503) | / | (2097) |
| 5.  | لا يِسْلُكَنَّ أَحَدُكُم فِ مستحمِِّهِ ثَُُّ يتوضَّأُ فيهِ، فإنَّ عامَّةَ الوَسواسِ مِنهُ | / | (27) | / | (21) | / | (36) | / | (304) | / | (20569) |
| 6.  | إنَّ الوَسواسِ شِيطَانٌ بَيْفَالُ لِهِ: الوَسواسِ مِنَ اللَّهُ، فَأَقْفِهِ وَسْوَسَاتُهُ | / | (57) | | | | | |
| 7.  | إنَّ اللَّهُ يُحَارِرُ لَأَمِّي عَمَا وَسوَسَتَ، أو حَدَّثَتَ بهِ أُنْسُهَا، ما لم تَعْمل بهِ أو تَكْلِمَ | / | (6664) | / | (3434) | / | (7421) |
Hadith (1) refers to satanic whisper in prayer. Adhan approaches more on treatment against satan until it disappears. Al-Nawawiy (1929: 92) describes adhan is a great thing that embodies the fundamentals of tauhid and Islam. Adhan can turn the devil off.

Hadith (2) refers to condition of sahabat when Rasulullah SAW passed away. This Hadith also shows the word doubt become disorder, every work become atypical and the thought becomes unsteady.

Hadith (3) Sharih al-Iman is sincerity of faith in the questions of the companions concerning their doubts in the aspect of the whisper that comes to disturb them. Al-Zarqaniy (1410: 31) described that Sharih al-Iman is associated with prayer which includes sincerity, humility and hope. This view is supported by al-Nawawi (2001: 156) who writes that Sharih al-Iman has a fear or a great sinful attitude to express a clear statement of Allah's provision as evidence of faith. This is because the words accompanied by fear and confidence are only available to those who have the perfect and clean faith of doubt and anxiety.

Hadith (4) it is encouraging to be grateful to God when it comes to the temptation of the devil in the form of anxiety disorder. In addition to enriching knowledge, especially religious and religious matters, we are confident and not easy to be deceived by the whisper of the devil trying to cause doubt in our practice.

Hadith (5) describes most of the causes of waswas from urine splashes that occur in the bathroom (Al-Ashyubi, 1996:566).

Hadith (6) refers to walhan, name of a jin that disturbs human in water aspect. According to Mubarakfuri (1985:119), waswas of water is a doubt in the cleanliness of water, the doubt of the stool that does not show a clear address and doubt about the existence of urine splashes.

Hadith (7) waswas happens to a person that can not be denied is that he is not considered as sinful as not being revealed in the form of words and deeds. (Ibn Hajar, 2005). Meanwhile, Al-Suyuti (1997: 61) points out that Al-Subki has focused on the above hadith by linking to the five dignity of the heart movement in the form of qashad: al-Hajis (feeling sorry), al-Khawatir (brainstorming), Hadiths al-Nafs (whispers of soul), al-Hams (whispers) and al-’Azm (wishes). However, only four heart movements are al-Hajis, al-Khawatir, Hadith al-Nafs, al-Hams that can be attributed to
The term of *waswas* is an Arabic word which is also used in the Malay language. *Waswas* is a term often used in the Islamic literature. From the point of Arabic, *waswas* take from the letter وَ (waw) and سُ (sin) which gives the meaning "whisper" then repeated twice then becomes وَسَوْسَةَ (waswasah-waswasah) which means fine voice or voice slow like wind (Al-Mawsu 'ah al-Fiqhiyyah, 1983: 146). Meanwhile, from the aspect of Balaghah's knowledge, when it was repeated the letter وَ (waw) and سُ (sin) to be pronounced وَسُوسُ (waswas), this whispering act repeatedly through action (Darwish: 1992: 320). Ibn Farith (1972: 76) adds, the letter وَ (waw) and سُ (sin) indicate the word of the voice is not loud. The word *al-*waswas* comes from the word *waswas-waswasah-wiswisan* وَسَوْسَةُ-وَسْوَسَةُ-وَسْوَسَة. The following is a summary of the words according to three sources namely Lisan al-'Arab, Al-Raid and Al-Lughah al-'Arabiyyah al-Mu‘asirah as follows:
### Key-words

| لسان العرب | الraid | لغة العربية المعاصرة |
|------------|--------|----------------------|
| **وسوس** | 1. Satan who whispers something that is useless and no good, 2. Comes to him a whisper, 3. Diseases that occur to unconscious minds and delusions. | 1. Soft discourse | 1. Unclear and hidden conversations. 2. Causes waswas. 3. Whisper. |
| **الوسواس** | 1. The whisper of the soul 2. The soft sound of the wind. | 1. The whisper of the soul 2. The soft sound of the wind. 4. Likes talking alone with vague words. 5. Words with hidden meaning. 6. A smooth and tired voice. | 1. Disease on common sense. 2. A whisper in the heart tends to be in crime and things that have no benefit. 3. Satan. |
| **الوسواس** | 1. Soft sounds like wind 2. Sound of finery 3. Whisper the soul 4. Satan | 1. Soft sounds like wind 2. Sound of finery 3. Whisper the soul 4. Satan | 1. Whisper that tends the heart towards crime and it is not beneficial. 2. Medical Context: A disease that controls the mind from a black bile. 3. Psychological Context: The doubt and suspicion that leads to mental illness. |

### 3.0 WASWAS FROM TERMS ASPECT

The word *waswas* refers to a voice that is not strong and conscious, which is tempted by Satan to the son of Adam (Abi al-Husain Ahmad, 1972: 76). Detailed understanding of *waswas* term by al-Mawardiy (tth, 379) showed that the root cause of the two is the devil and the *hawa* (desire). The intention meant is the break out of desire from one's soul as due to a soft whisper until self-deceived. In addition, Al-Khazin (2004: 503) described that this whisper is understood by the heart but is not heard by the hearing. This is evidenced by Basyar (2009: 53) statement that *waswas* starts from the
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heart due to repeated confusion resulting in the desire and is divided into the form behaviours from the aspect of views, conversations, hearing and actions by hands. Previous studies by *mufassirin* have described *waswas* as a hidden voice or heart whisper stemming from the devil (al-Qurtubi, 2006: 175; at-Tabari, 1994: 587; Ibn Kathir, 1999: 540). In contrast to earlier findings, however, addressed waswas term as a whisper of evil in souls and minds full of compulsion derived from a sounding voice and a vaguely slow voice that has no good effect to its actions (al- Kafawiy, 1998: 941; al-Raghib al-Asfahani, 2009: 869).

Table 4. Review of *Waswas* in Islamic Perspectives

| NO. | MUSLIM SCHOLARS/SOURCES | WASWAS TYPES |
|-----|-------------------------|--------------|
| 1.  | Al-Ghazali (2004: 58-59), | i. *Waswas* from satan on the confusion and truth aspects.  
|     |                         | ii. *Waswas* from the aspects of need and lust.  
|     |                         | iii. *Waswas* from khawatir which is the heart’s suspicious in mind. |
| 2.  | Ibn Taimiyyah (2004:517) | i. *Waswas* from the aspect of whisper in soul.  
|     |                         | ii. *Waswas* from the whispers of the jinn or satan aspect.  
|     |                         | iii. *Waswas* from whisper from devil among mankind. |
| 3.  | Al-Husain al-Toibiy, 1997:516 | i. *Waswas* in basic level, al-Doruriyyah.  
|     |                         | ii. *Waswas* in chosen level, al-Ikhityariyyah. |
| 4.  | Mawsu’ah al-Fiqhiyyah (1983: 147) | i. Whispers in the soul which creates confusion whether want to do or not.  
|     |                         | ii. Whispers from satan which creates fear to humans.  
|     |                         | iii. The suspicious feeling in self due to overly careful or until need it todo something.  
|     |                         | iv. Issues which affect the mind due to speech without thinking or without any method and system. |
| 5.  | Wa’il Abu Hind (2004:16)  | i. *Waswas* soul which involves what it is being liked and disliked by the human’s soul and relates to things which are *halal* and *haram* like need and love.  
|     |                         | ii. *Waswas* Satan or known as *waswas al-Khunnas* which can be treated by saying *isti’azah*.  
|     |                         | iii. *Waswas al-qahriy* or known as obsessive compulsive disorder (OCD). This type of *waswas* involves repeated thinking which disturbs and scares and cannot be overcome by just saying *isti’azah*. |

This study is inclined towards the view of Abu Wa’il Hind (2004:16). This view has taken into account the views of other Muslim scholars such as al-
Ghazali and Ibn Taimiyah who agree with the existence of Satan and satan waswas and waswas of soul. While the term waswas al-qahriy or OCD branded through the views of Mawsu'ah al-Fiqhiyyah (1983:147) in third definition.

4.0 WASWAS AND OCD RELATION

Obsessive compulsive disorder or OCD is taken from two words namely obsession and compulsion. Obsessions are defined as thoughts, ideations, impulses, urges, or images that cause fear, worry and/or anxiety and compulsions are defined as stereotypical and repetitive behaviors or mental acts performed to alleviate fear, worry, and anxiety caused by obsessions (APA, 2013).

i. Obsession

According to Rozanizam (2015) and Hatta (2001) Abdul Latif (2014), OCD is associated with extreme waswas. While The Clinical Encyclopedia or al-Hawi, by al-Razi used the terms “obsessions” waswas and “annoying thoughts” afkar radi’ah (Rania Awaad, Sara Ali 2015). According by Al-Balkhi (2005), waswas is psychological disorder which has unknown causes. Tariq ‘Ali (2003:28) who describes satan’s role in three key aspects of obsessive compulsive disorder. First: Satan’s role is only in the starting of the whispers. Second: Satan role in worshiping people by convincing OCD patients to reduce their memory to Allah SWT. Third; add to the weakening of the individual with weak faith. Hatta Sidi (2012) adds that many syndromes are associated with demonic influences; however, the theme in OCD is represented in the form of sexual, violence, religion, direction and impurities. Hence, the results obtained from the past data prove to be inhibited in the OCD. The word waswas not executed but maintained for the approval that satan role also existed even though it is not fully (Toriq ‘Ali, 2003: 31)

ii. Compulsive Behaviour

According to the definition (APA, 2013), compulsions are defined as stereotypical and repetitive behaviors or mental acts performed to alleviate fear, worry, and anxiety caused by obsessions (APA, 2013). To investigate the relationship of this compulsive behavior, this research collects examples of compulsive behaviour from Ibn Qayyim al-Jauziyyah (1401H)
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manuscripts like kitab Zamm al-Muwaswisin wa al-Tahzir min al-Waswas and Makaid al-Syaitan, Iqasah al-Lahfan fi Masayid al-Syaitan which describes the types of waswas disturbance as in table 3:

**Table 3.** Theme and types of waswas disturbance in Ibn Qayyim al-Jauziyyah manuscripts

| THEME     | COMPULSIVE BEHAVIOUR                                                                 |
|-----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Contamination | Spending too much time taking wudhuk by doing it repeately.                       |
|           | Shower by cleaning the body repeatedly.                                             |
|           | Clean urine repeatedly.                                                            |
|           | Washes the hands or mouth 7x if in contact of any dirt.                           |
|           | Cleans the eyes until the vision is affected.                                      |
|           | Spends too much time to clean the hands after eating.                              |
|           | Feeling doubtful that the clothes worn are not clean.                              |
|           | Doubt whether the fart has come out or not.                                        |
| Prayers   | Do the takbir repeatedly.                                                         |
|           | Hard to do niat in the heart.                                                     |
|           | Recites al-Fatihah in prayers repeatedly.                                          |
|           | Repeats the al-Tahiyyat.                                                           |
|           | Feel difficult and says Assalamualaikum repeatedly.                                |
|           | Reluctant to make Khuf in prayers.                                                 |
|           | Reluctant to pray on the ground.                                                   |
|           | Makes sujood sahwi in every prayer.                                                |
|           | Doubts the number of rakaat done.                                                  |
| Aqidah    | Thinks on unsupposed thoughts on Allah SWT like who created Allah?                |

*Table 3 shows 18 examples of waswas from Ibn Qayyim manuscripts. Therefore, researchers have divided into three main themes that are contamination, prayers and aqidah. This example also shows the compulsive act of repetitive acts. According to the random view of the researcher on the Muslim community in Malaysia in general, it is proven that the examples of waswas are still relevant and have not shown a significant change even though this problem has long been debated in the earlier Muslim masterpiece. From this manuscript, OCD and waswas are related from the*
aspect of satanic disorders that affect worship and faith. In addition the effects of OCD and waswas can disrupt the emotions and psychology of patients due to lack of confidence in their actions

**Causes of Waswas and OCD**

From the aspect of Islamic debate, surah al-Nas has been dedicated to the cause of humiliation among jinn and humans with the verse "(That is the slinking prompter) both among jinns and men". To detail the two creatures, this study brings some interpretation of the scholars to this verse.

**Table 4. Review of ayat 6 surat al-Nas**

| NO. | TAFSIR COLLECTIONS | DISCUSSION AYAT |
|-----|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1.  | Tafsir al-Quran al-‘Azim (Ibn Kathir) | Al-Jinn: Devil among jinn.  
Al-Nas: Devil among mankind.  
According to the words of Allah SWT:  
وَكَذلِكَ جَعَلْنا لِكُلِّ نَبٍِِّ عَدُوًّا شَيَاطِينَ الِْْنْسِ وَالِْْنِِّ يُوحِي ب َعْضُهُمْ إِلَ ب َعْضٍ زُخْرُفَ 
الْقَوْلِ غُرُوراا  
Thus it is that We have assigned for every Prophet an enemy:  
The evil forces from among men as well as from among the invisible beings (jin), that whisper to one another glittering half truths menat to delude the mind. But had your Lord willed, they would not have done so; therefore, leavethem to their own inventions (in the form of disbelief and lies). (Al-An'am 8:112) |
| 2.  | Tafsir Fath al-Qadir (al-Syawkaniy) | Al-Jinn: Satan from jinn that whisper in human heart.  
Al-Nas: Satan from mankind that enters "waswas" into the hearts of people, up to appear as true advice providers past human hearts stuck with the words and evaluate it as advice and guidance as for the satan with the temptations and whisper. |
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3. Tafsir Fi Zilal al-Quran
   (Syed Qutb)
   Al-Jinn: The whisper of evil in human hearts is subtle and invisible.
   Al-Nas: Devil whisper among mankind is a stronger than whisper among jinn for examples:
   - A bad companion who injects evil into his comrade’s heart and mind while he is unaware, thinking his friend to be trustworthy.
   - A ruler’s counsellor or advisor who ‘whispers’ all sorts of evil thoughts to him, trying to turn him into a tyrant.
   - An unscrupulous slanderer who fabricates and decorates tales to make them sound factual and convincing.
   - A hustler of immoral business dealings who tries to get through to people by exploiting their sensual, carnal desires.

4. Tafsir al-Nukt wa al-'Uyun
   (Al-Mawardiyy)
   Al-Jinn: Satan whispers with the way the conscience reaches the heart to obey it.
   Al-Nas: Waswas among mankind to soul.
   The temptation of the teaser in the human race.

5. Tafsir al-Azhar
   (Hamka)
   Al-Jinn: Whisper from jinn that hidden whispered to the heart by whisper and temptation.
   Al-Nas: A whisper that can be seen with the eyes and can be heard by the ear that leads to the wrong path.

Table 4 shows the five Tafsir debates on surah al-Nas in the verse (من الجنة والناس). Based on the above discussion, the whisper of jinn is defined as a delicate whisper of evil that cannot be seen in the human psyche by imaginary and appeals. While for the whisper in the human race is a whisper that can be seen and heard either abusively, appealing, tempting or attracting the attention of a crime that is capable of influencing leaders, trusted friends, listeners and desires. According to Quraish Shihab (1998) the word al-Nas indicates that humans are descendants of Adam and as social beings without seeing the status of faith and disbelief. From this statement, the study summarizes the approach of Allah SWT in surah al-Nas focusing
on jinn and human beings as a major factor in the eviction. The connections between OCD and waswas in terms of the elements that cause the disorder are shown here. The above-mentioned whispers are one of the most common causes of OCD and waswas in people.

Otherwise, modern medical in the world still has no clarification about the causes of OCD. However, a few sources found that there are several possible factors for OCD. Summary on the OCD causes are as:

- **Genetic** – According to Karno (1988) and Weisman (1994) found that OCD is a psychiatric illness that involves 1-2% of the world population. Therefore, the descent is one of the causes of the occurrence of OCD. However, detailed studies of genetic have not been identified (Hanna, 2005). Those who have family members with history of OCD suffer the disease risk possibilities ('Ukashah: th: 137).

- **Biological** – There is a problem in neurology in certain parts of the brain. In addition, varieties like spinal meningitis and encephalitis is also one of the causes of OCD. According to Insel (1992:739) and Goodman (1990), OCD occurs from interference system serotonin and brain structure peculiarities especially against extrapiramidal system.

- **Psychological** - Those with personality-consciousness are more likely to have OCD. For example, excessive emphasis on hygiene, someone who is too obedient to the rules, chatty, hard-working and not easy to give up.

- **Experience** - Past and bitter experience are also easy to figure out how one handles the problem among them by showing OCD symptoms. Like familial-minded families since childhood being a catalyst for OCD patients emphasizes hygiene aspects. There are many cases of OCD that the individual has a history of abused or coming from a disjointed family.

- Obsessive-compulsive disorders are closely related to **depression or stress faced earlier**. Some symptoms of obsessive-compulsive patients often also show depression.

- **Conflicts** - Those who experience this disorder usually face conflicts of life that come from living problems. Examples include death, separation, household problems
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However, modern medicine lists the 7 causes of OCD. In order to harmonize these two views, the study forms a hypothesis that there is a significant relationship between the human beings towards several possible OCD factors that involve biological, psychological, and social factors. Some of the possible issues in this study are:

1. If lung cancer can be brought down by a father’s genetic who likes to smoke through sperms, thus who is the starter for the father to smoke? Of course, it is another human being.

2. If a person is suffering from 'meningitis' and 'encephalitis' disease caused by a food or contaminated food virus, mosquito bites or other insects, droplet dots from people suffering from viral infections. This is largely due to the negligence of mankind's nutrition and personal hygiene and surrounding environment.

3. In the event of a bitter experience, conflict, pressure is definitely due to a negative human environment.

5.0. CONCLUSION

The branding of Islam in reality has evolved to a somewhat different level of aspect of the use of language and forms of behavior. However, the basis of the mischief is not to run away from two beings, jinn and humans. To date, the cure is branded from a modern medical point of view as obsessive-compulsive disorder or in its' Arabic language known as waswas al-qahriy. In view of this, the development of the disturbance in the religious aspect seems to be seen focusing on the aspects of Satan's whisper only. So that, this study has proven that the role of satan in human prejudice today is also capable of being interpreted in various forms either through electronic, digital and printed media so that humans are influenced and inclined to do something that has been seen or heard. There are some features of OCD and waswas that are comparable. The whispers of either jinn or humans are one of the parts of the cause of the disturbance. The impact of OCD and these apprehensions is felt not only in their daily actions, but also in their worship and beliefs. If not treated properly, this can lead to
emotional problems and a lack of confidence. Without blaming the devil alone, this study can be developed by looking at the human as a cause of waswas and OCD. This is in line with surah al-Nas, which lists the jinn and humans as sources of waswas. All of this is a result of human actions that have evil in the soul or are induced by seduction from the devil. Hence, seek refuge in Allah SWT while trying to prevent disorder or OCD from conquering human life.

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