

Making List of 200 Moderate Mubaligh To Violate Muslims' Rights?



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A noted political observer from [the moderate Islamic] Paramadina University Jakarta, Hendri Satrio, has said that not only has a list of 200 moderate Mubaligh or Islamic preachers recently published by the Indonesian Ministry of Religious Affairs been considered as a blunder, but it has also been categorized as a serious mistake for enforcing interfaith tolerance in the country.

He also said Friday (on 18 May) in his Twitter @satriohendri that it was rather impossible to establish a unity by setting up a fence.

In the meantime the so-called Committing Volunteer Community (supporting Jokowi) or Korsa, likewise said that the list was an act of breaking up the unity of Indonesian Muslims.

The co-ordinator of Korsa, Amirullah Hidayat, also said that the government should not have interfered in Muslims' affairs such as in determining which ulema and Mubaligh to deliver sermons in their mosques. Such an interference could also be categorized as systematically and massively violating the Indonesian Muslims' rights.

Amirullah Hidayat, who is also an activist of the youth wing of Muhammadiyah, said that it was such a big mistake and too risky for President Joko Widodo's administration to violate the religious freedom in the country.

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