

# Laduni Science: An Overview Of Sufism, Spiritual Intelligence And Modern Learning Theory

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**Abstract :** This research studies to study the process of knowledge obtained by a person, study of Science on Spiritual Intelligence, and the relationship between science and modern learning theory. The research method will be developed through the emphasis and hermeneutics approach. The main data in this study comes from books or classic books about Sufism and mysticism, including interpretations of the Koran as opening the way the emergence of science laduni. Data collection techniques using unstructured interviews. Data analysis in this research was carried out in several stages, namely interpretation, classification and discussion of material. The results show that Laduni Science is the sixth sense that is manifested through the journey of intuition. Intuition knowledge is a kind of knowledge that God gives to someone who is sent to his heart, so that some secrets are revealed and partially visible to them. Laduni in the learning system is identical to intuitive learning. In the perspective of modern education the learning process using a theoretical approach, trials, exercises, research is still being done even though on the other hand it acknowledges God's "interference" with humans. This means that the acquired intelligence continues to be built on routine and full surrender of the will of God.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In Sufism discourse, laduni science is considered the highest science compared to other sciences. Laduni knowledge is a knowledge that Allah gave to someone suddenly without knowing what the initial process is, so that the person who receives it can directly master the knowledge (without learning). (Abdul Hamid Zahwan:2001:Cover). One reason that is often cited for the superiority of this knowledge is because its acquisition through intuition, contemplation or inspiration. Laduni knowledge is knowledge gained by someone who is pious from Allah through inspiration and without being studied in advance through a certain level of education. Therefore this knowledge is not the result of a thought process, but depends entirely on the will and gift of Allah. (Dewan Redaksi Ensiklopedi Islam:1993:89). This understanding is identical to the opinion of Imam al Ghazali who states that knowledge produced through inspiration is called laduni science. (Al-Gazali: 1994: 70). Someone who gets laduni knowledge is able to solve all problems or difficulties by not going through the teaching and learning process as people do in general. In general understanding intelligence is the perfect development of the intellect, such as intelligence, sharp thinking and so on. (Poerwadarminta: 1986: 201). Intelligence is often equated with genius which means intelligence of mind, ability, someone of extraordinary intelligence or talent. (John M.Echols & Hasan Sadily: 1994: 265). Furthermore, pragmatically learning theory can be understood as a general principle or a set of interrelated principles and is an explanation of a number of facts and discoveries relating to learning events. There are at least four prominent learning theories namely; connectionism, classical habituation, habitual response behavior and cognitive approach theory. But according to the perspective of Islamic education the existence of laduni in spiritual intelligence and the learning process is rabhani guidance which occurs simultaneously when a person engages in learning activities physically, so that it can deliver a person to a change in one's life both properly and quickly. This happened because of the cleanliness and purity of his soul. Laduni's character is in a spiritual circle, and until now this understanding of science is still a "mystery". Because it needs to be examined through the study of literary

research, the history of prophethood, the lectures of the saints and inspiration and kasyaf, so that there will be enlightenment and clarity, both in terms of the theological meaning of esotericism and the visible social meaning. From the results of the thoughts that have been presented above, the problem formulation arises namely how is the basic concept of Laduni Science in Sufism perspective, how is the connection between Laduni Science and spiritual intelligence in the context of education, and the extent of Laduni Science in spiritual intelligence and perspective of modern learning theory. The purpose of this study was to determine the process of laduni science that a person obtained, know the influence of Laduni Science on Spiritual Intelligence, and the relationship between laduni science and modern learning theory.

## 2. THE MEANING OF LADUNI SCIENCE

Laduni science consists of two Arabic words, "science" and "laduni". The word science is often distinguished from knowledge. Even in Greek science is synonymous with the word episteme (ma'rifiyah), it means knowledge theory with a detailed discussion of what, how, where and when something happens. But for the purpose of this discussion, the difference between science and knowledge is not in question. Because the knowledge in question is dynamic knowledge obtained through certain processes in accordance with scientific methods and requirements. (Suriasumarti, 1981:9). Science is usually open, systematic, democratic, universal and upholds the truth. The objectivity of the meaning of laduni as revealed by the previous commentators when pursued mostly leads to the understanding that was sparked by Sufis, that is laduni obtained by inspiration. Because in Sufism everything is always associated with the spirituality of the human self which is centered on the purity of his soul. Views like this then experts dhahir trying to revitalize between the two (human and soul). According to Imam al-Ghazali, a very popular Sufi figure said that laduni science is knowledge that is acquired by a person through the process of inspiring light after the purity of the soul.

### 3. LADUNI IN THE CONTEXT OF LEARNING THEORY

Based on the various opinions put forward earlier, laduni science is inherent in learning. In the Koran there are many sentences or words that support the acquisition of this type of knowledge from learning. The words that show the learning process are so clearly spoken by God. For example the phrase "wa allamnahu min ladunna ilman", "allama bi al-qalam, allama al-insana ma lam ya'lam" and the phrase "nun wa al-qalami wa ma yasthurun", shows that knowledge is obtained through the cognitive, affective and psychomotor. This means that normatively education and learning are always associated with changes in human behavior, although theologically it is also possible to apply the spiritual nuances that accompany the journey of change. Laduni who is grounded in inspiration is guided by the act of learning in the form of a mind then manifested by actual actions. From here there is a simultaneous interaction between theological processes and normative processes experienced by a person, so that between laduni and the theory of learning goes hand in hand to deliver one's personality into the real laduni figure. Learning theory is a systematic, integrated view of paying attention to natural processes by which a person can relate to his environment so that they can leverage their skills for their own use and the environment effectively.

### 4. LADUNI AND SOMEONE'S INTELLIGENCE

As explained in the previous section, laduni is always related to one's intelligence. In general understanding intelligence is the perfect development of the intellect, such as intelligence, sharp thinking and so on. (Poerwadarminta, 1986:201). Intelligence is often equated with genius which means intelligence of mind, ability, someone of extraordinary intelligence or talent. (John M.Echols & Hasan Sadily, 1994: 265). If intelligence is identified with someone's intelligence, then that means they are classified as smart, not stupid or smart and quick to understand. From the latter intelligence is often also associated with scholars. According to Amin Syukur, Professor of Sufism IAIN Walisongo Semarang, a person's intelligence remains through natural law, cause and effect. Nothing happens without natural processes. It's just that there are natural laws that are not known to many people, like this laduni science. This knowledge is determined by the cleanliness of the heart. A clear heart is able to see Lauh Mahfuzh. Then where is the relationship between laduni science and one's intelligence. The answer is of course we return to the initial concept of laduni itself. Laduni is played as a knowledge that comes from God with a very spiritual learning system that does not appear like most people do.

### 5. INTELLIGENCE AND BRAIN FUNCTION

A person's intelligence is greatly influenced by the memory of his brain. In everyday reality, in formal education and inculcation of people's moral values, as if it only has one side of the standard paradigm, namely rational, logical and mathematical intelligence or which characterizes the left hemisphere. While the right brain contains musical and spatial intelligence is often denied. Intelligence that occurs in humans can be grouped into four. Intelligence quotient, emotional quotient, and multiple intelligent. This means,

human nature has been prepared to respond to all sorts of things with three aspects (other than multiple quotient).

### 6. LADUNI IN MODERN UNDERSTANDING

The modern understanding intended here is the same as rationalization. In this case modern means the process of overhauling old thought patterns and work procedures that are not rational; and replace it with a new mindset and new work procedures. Its purpose is to obtain maximum efficiency and efficiency. So, something can be called modern, if it is rational, scientific and in accordance with the laws that apply in nature. (Norchalis Madjid, 1991:172-173) In other words, modernization means thinking and working according to the nature or sunnatullah (God's law) that haq. Human understanding of natural laws, giving birth to science, so modern means scientific, also means rational. The purpose of rational attitude is to get the maximum usability to utilize this nature for human happiness. With modern understanding, the substance of laduni will be found in contact with the human brain, heart and mind. The nature of laduni in modern understanding can be studied through the concepts of intuition and reason work, God's network in the brain, the study of ignorance and perfect intelligence.

### 7. RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

The perspective of this discussion is of a philosophical historical nature related to the study of concepts. The research method will be developed through the emphasis and hermeneutics approach, it means how to interpret a classic text or a foreign text to become a common property that lives in a different era, place and atmosphere. Classically it refers to the interpretation of old texts in the form of the Koran, the yellow books. And modern interpretation of the text is developed in accordance with the intent and purpose of writing this dissertation. Starting from the grammar of words, their historical characteristics and variations. Increasingly past manuscripts or events provide explanations and answers to the problems that occur now. The main data in this study is sourced from books or classic books on Sufism and mysticism, including interpretations of the Koran as opening the way for the emergence of laduni science. While supporting data sources will be conducted unstructured interviews that are free, researchers do not use interview guidelines that have been arranged systematically and completely for data collection. (Sugiyono: 2015: 197). For example, those who are suspected of having gained Laduni knowledge. Namely the CRC. Musthafa Bisri (Gus Mus), KH. Dimiyati Rais (Mbah Dim), and Habib Lutfi bin Ali bin Hashim bin Yahya. After the data is obtained both through literature review and information from various parties through interviews, the next step will be interpreted, classification and discussion of material that is in accordance with the will and purpose of this study.

### 8. CHARACTERISTICS OF PEOPLE GETTING LADUNI KNOWLEDGE

Following the thought of Imam al-Ghazali that people who arrive at the dignity of laduni science:

1. Does not need much effort (learning) to produce knowledge,

2. Did not find difficulties in learning,
3. Learn a little, the results are many,
4. A little tired and have a long rest.

Judging from the nature and character of someone who has the science of laduni is humble, inferior and never accentuates his inner strength, far from being arrogant, refrain from being despicable, such as anger, envy, miser, miserable, riya', revenge and so on. In the world of Sufism to have knowledge of laduni by the will of Allah, first must be a Sufi. The path to true Sufi according to Allah must practice some good deeds. Laduni is guidance from Allah. If that happens to the Prophet or the Apostle, then that is called a miracle. If Laduni is obtained by someone who is classified as wali (lover of Allah), then it is part of karamah. Whereas laduni which is owned by a believer, because of his faith and piety, then this is called ma'unah (unexpected help coming).

## 9. RECOGNITION OF PEOPLE SUSPECTED OF HAVING LADUNI SCIENCE

### 9.1 KH Ahmad Fawa'id As'ad

He is the youngest son of the first wife of al-maghfurlah KHR As'ad Syamsul 'Arifin Sukorejo Asembagus Situbondo East Java. In the surrounding community, he is known to have certain advantages. For example, his intelligence and wisdom outperformed his peers and seniors. He is suspected of having Laduni knowledge because of his proficiency in mastering foreign languages, especially English which according to the community he never experienced language learning.

### 9.2 KH Ahmad Jauhari Umar

He is a cleric from the Daru al-Salam Islamic Boarding School in Pasayan. When asked about the science of laduni he discussed at length, ranging from people who possessed the knowledge to the fact that he still continues to give special practices or wirid about laduni.

### 9.3 KH Abdul Qayyum Manshur

He is the caretaker of the al-Nur Lasem Islamic Boarding School in Central Java. This kiai is very influential in the community. He is also suspected of having laduni science. Because seen in dzahir he did not experience learning as people claiming knowledge. When asked about himself about ownership of the knowledge, he answered; I'm studying with dad. The structure starts from learning the Koran, then continues with philosophy, Sufism and language. While English is mastered, he claims to study on his own and follow conversations on television as well as practice with others. I do this continuously.

## 10. CONCLUSIONS

So far, laduni is considered an irrational activity and far from the spirit of intellectualism. But after conducting in-depth research, it turns out that gave birth to two ways of thinking at the same time get conclusions on the truth of intuition, namely deductive and inductive. Laduni's science is the sixth sense that is realized through the journey of intuition. Intuition knowledge is a kind of knowledge that God gives to someone who is sent to his heart, so that some secrets are revealed and partially visible to them.

Laduni in the learning system is identical to intuitive learning. Learning based on intuition is to learn appropriately, quickly, easily, with little difficulty, while the results are numerous and able to solve various problems.

In the perspective of modern education the learning process by using a theoretical approach, experiments, exercises, research continues to be conducted even though on the other hand it acknowledges the existence of God's "interference" with humans. This means that the acquired intelligence continues to be built on routine and full surrender of the will of God. Laduni in the perspective of further education, placed in a position of closeness between someone with God. Laduni was given no damage to the instinct of learning to gain intelligence and intelligence. Both of them stood tall building a cohesion that gave birth to reality outside the habits that occur in humans, namely plenary intelligence or human beings.

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