

## DEVELOPMENT OF KALAM SCIENCE IN INDONESIA

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### Abstract

The article discussing the development of kalam science in Indonesia serves as a fundamental framework in understanding the Islamic intellectual history in this region. Through a comprehensive historical overview, the article delineates the evolution of kalam science over time, elucidating the pivotal roles played by key figures in religious thought. This mapping also encompasses philosophical discussions, divergent viewpoints, and the social and religious implications for Indonesian society. This exploration provides profound insights into how kalam science influences perceptions, beliefs, and religious practices within Indonesian communities. In a broader context, the article depicts how kalam science contributes to the diversity and harmony of religious life in Indonesia, highlighting its significant role in intellectual diversity and religious life in the country.

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### Introduction

Many Islamic organizations in Indonesia have significantly contributed to the development of Islam. The broader community is engaged in shaping Islamic culture, a role that persists to this day. The mission of understanding Islam in Indonesia is designed to prioritize faith or religion for a better future. There exist various Islamic ideas in Indonesia, including NU, Muhammadiyah, Al-Irsyad, Persis, and Jamaah Tabligh. Each of them possesses distinct visions, missions, perspectives, and goals. Nonetheless, they do not contradict the fundamental principles or Islamic Shariah.

Islamic thought can be observed through two aspects: the manifest (apparent) aspect and the esoteric aspect. The esoteric aspect remains hidden and can only be understood by certain individuals, often interpreted narrowly, while the manifest aspect implies freedom without constraints. It can be said that it is associated with dogma and purity. Within the intellectual dynamics of Islam, differences in viewpoints employing these two aspects often lead to variations in the interpretation of thoughts. Consequently, there is a multitude of variations in thinking. History notes that the emergence of various schools of thought, sects, factions, organizations, and groups within Islam has colored the dynamics of Islamic thought from classical to modern times. This seminar aims to elucidate the history, figures, and ideologies of the Kalam schools in Indonesia, focusing on various mass organizations such as Nahdatu'Ulama, Muhammadiyah, among others.