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ABSTRACT

Development of Islamic banks in many parts of the world has become major interest for study. It indicates the feasibility of Islamic banks' operations, based on Islamic Shariah, despite unfriendly environment which is interest based.

However, the development does not necessarily means that Islamic banks run smooth in their operations. There are technical and procedural problems should be coped with due to their unique principles. One of the problems is that Islamic banks were found to hold more liquid funds, instead of putting them in investment, because of many acceptable reasons.

This paper, consists of five parts, basically tried to find the reasons for the above said problem, and tried to seek the solutions. Part I and II discuss about liquidity and its role in conventional and Islamic banks. Part III highlights the way both banks manage their liquidity to meet the customers' demand. Part IV elaborates the issue regarding the liquidity problems and their effects on both conventional and Islamic banks. Part V is concluding remarks which is followed by references in which this paper is based.