



The Fourth Question from Fatwa no. 4763

Q: Is it permissible for a Muslim to sell statues and make it their profession as a way to earn a living?

A: It is not permissible for a Muslim to sell statues or trade in them, according to what is related in the Sahih (authentic) Hadith on the absolute prohibition of making images of beings with a soul and making statues. Keeping images is unlawful, as is, without a doubt, trading

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in them, merchandising them, encouraging the making of them, and setting them up in homes, clubs, and other places.

In the light of this prohibition, it is clear that any gains made from making or selling statues are Haram. It is therefore not permissible for a Muslim to earn a living from this and if they do, they should dispose of the money they earned and perform Tawbah (repentance) to Allah (may He be Exalted). And may Allah accept his Tawbah, as Allah (may He be Exalted) says: [\(And verily, I am indeed forgiving to him who repents, believes \(in My Oneness, and associates none in worship with Me\) and does righteous good deeds, and then remains constant in doing them, \(till his death\). \)](#)

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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