Fatwa no. 12640

Q: My wife is a teacher and the mother of six children. She exerts a lot of effort at work, in taking care of the children, the housework, and many of our relatives visit us. My question is: Is it permissible to hire a Muslim servant to help my wife and make things easy for her. Please, advise us, may Allah reward you!

A: We advise you not to hire a servant as long as the matter is as you have described. Your wife should stay at home to bring up her children, fulfill her duties towards you, and do the housework. It is not necessary for her to work if she has to do all that you have mentioned in your question. May Allah set right the conditions of all of us! May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family and Companions!

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