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the question

I work in a paint shop and my salary is low, but people come to me and ask about a painter to paint for them. I have the numbers of some painters and I try to recommend them to the customers in return for a percentage that the painter gives to me. Is this percentage haraam?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

There is nothing wrong with telling the customers about painters in return for money that you take from the painter whenever a customer comes to him through you, whether that payment is a set amount or a percentage. This is what is called a broker's or agent's fee. It says in Fataawa al-Lajnah al-Daa'imah (13/131): It is permissible for the agent to accept a fee of a known percentage of the final agreed price of the product in return for telling the customer about it, and he may take it [that fee] from the buyer or the seller, according to the agreement, without any being unfair or causing any harm.

End quote.