

Islam Question & Answer

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the question

Is working as a commission agent for any halal trade is consider halal in islam.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If the matter is as you describe, then this work is permissible and there is nothing wrong with taking this commission in return for your efforts in finding customers.

We will quote to you a fatwa of the Standing Committee for Issuing Fatwas concerning a similar case:

Question:

I am the owner of a trade office and I work as an agent and go-between for some foreign companies that manufacture permissible kinds of clothing and foods. These companies send samples of what they manufacture, along with the price of each item, and I show these products to dealers in the marketplace. I sell them to them at the price stated by the company, in return for a commission from the manufacturing company, according to my agreement with them on the rate of commission. Is there any sin in that?

The Committee replied:

If the situation is as described, it is permissible for you to take that commission and there is no sin on you.

Fataawa al-Lajnah al-Daa'imah, 13/125.