



Collecting donations in Masjids

Fourth question from Fatwa No. 6364

Q: Is it permissible to collect money for charitable projects and selling Islamic books in the Masjids of France?

A: It is permissible to collect financial donations in Masjids for charitable societies because it is a matter of cooperation for virtue and goodness. Allah (may He be Exalted) says: [\(Help you one another in Al-Birr and At-Taqwâ \(virtue, righteousness and piety\)\)](#) As for selling Islamic books in Masjids,

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it is not permissible whether it happens in France or any other country due to the Prophet's saying: [\(When you see someone selling in the mosque, say to him: 'May Allah not make your bargain profitable!'\)\)](#) This act may turn Masjids to markets while they are not built for that purpose. They are built for the worship of Allah Alone, reciting Dhikr (remembrance of Allah) and education. So, they should be maintained against clamor, loud voices, disputes and quarrels regarding worldly affairs. It is permissible to sell them at the gates of Masjids.

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

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