



The seventh question of Fatwa no. 12087

Q 7: Is it permissible to perform Salah (prayer) in a plane while a person is sitting though he is able to stand but is shy?

A: A person is not permitted to perform Salah while sitting as long as they are able to perform it while standing whether they are in a plane or any other place. Allah (may He be Exalted) says, (And stand before Allāh with obedience [and do not speak to others during the Salāt (prayer)].) Al-Bukhari reported on the authority of 'Imran ibn Husayn that the Prophet (peace be upon him) said to him, (Perform Salah while standing and if you cannot, perform it while sitting and if you cannot do even that, then perform it lying on your side.) Al-Nasa'y reported an addition to this Hadith with a sound chain of transmitters: (If you cannot do even that, you can pray lying on your back.)

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

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