



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 Allâh with obedience \[and do not speak to others during the Salât \(prayer\)\].](#) ﴾ 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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