



Expediting the debt payment for the deceased

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Q: My father died three years ago. We have paid all his debts except for that of the Real Estate Bank. One of his sons pledged to pay all the remaining installments when they are due. My question is:

1- Will my father be punished because of the debt of the Real Estate Bank? We are paying this debt in installments. Should we pay it all in one payment?

2- My father had a farm that gives a yearly income that exceeds the value of the yearly installment. If we sold the farm or any part of it, we will be asked to pay the whole debt of the Real Estate Bank.

A: You are not required to pay these installments in advance. You are permitted to leave them until their due time. Your father will not be punished, God willing, for this, as Muslims are abided by their conditions.

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