



The fifth question from Fatwa No. 7350 :

Q: There are some religious officials who beat upon duff and drums and build mosques on graves. They slaughter sheep, cows, camels, etc. for these graves and collect money from people monthly and yearly. Are they included in those meant by the Ayah (Qur'anic verse) that declares: [\(Those whose efforts have been wasted in this life while they thought that they were acquiring good by their deeds! \)](#) ?

A: Yes, they are included in the people meant by the Ayah, for their slaughtering in the name of anyone other than Allah is an act of Shirk (associating others in worship with Allah). As for their beating duffs and drums, it is a sinful act. May Allah guide them and bless them with repentance to Him (may He be Exalted)

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of Shirk (associating others in worship with Allah) and other sins.

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

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