



Fatwa no. 12564:

Q: I am a farmer and I harvest a small amount of grain enough to fill an average trunk. I am also certified by The Ministry of Agriculture that I

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work as a farmer. I sell my harvest to my brother at a fixed price that amounts to 10000 riyals. He, in turn, uses my certificate and adds to the small amount of my harvest a bigger amount from his farm that together fills a large truck. He takes it to the flour mills along with my certificate bearing my name, despite the fact that I sold him my harvest for 10000 riyals. Is this permissible for me, or is it a manner of fraud and cheating the government? I earnestly hope that you will respond, in sha'a-Allah, because of the urgent need and the fact that most farmers do this claiming that there is nothing wrong with what they do because the seller takes a fixed and known price whereas the buyer makes use of the certificate without any harm on the part of the initial seller.

A: If the matter is as you mentioned, it is not permissible because it entails cheating and lying.

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

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