



## Schoolteachers' Guide

Fatwa No. 19630

Praise be to Allah alone. Peace and blessings be upon the last Prophet.

The Permanent Committee for Scholarly Research and Ifta' has read the question submitted to his Eminence, the General Mufti (Islamic scholar qualified to issue legal opinions), from his Excellency the President of Girls' Education. It was referred to the committee from the General Secretariat of the Council of Senior Scholars no. (176), dated 16/4/1418 A.H. The question is as follows:

An advertising agency submitted a request to the General Presidency for Girls' Education to conclude an agreement with the Presidency according to which, the agency shall acquire the right to issue a guide entitled: [Schoolteachers' Guide] which includes

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advertising for a group of companies, organizations, and commercial stores. In return , the agency shall prepare ID cards without pictures for all schoolmistresses and employees of the Presidency throughout the Kingdom. The card holder will receive special discounts upon presenting the card to the companies, organizations, or commercial stores participating in this promotion. I write to your Eminence, May Allah preserve you , to provide me with the legal ruling on this contract where both the publisher and the schoolmistresses benefit according to the above mentioned information.

**After the Committee's study of the matter, it replied:** this card according to the mentioned system; taking fees in return for it, is Islamically impermissible, as it includes Gharar (uncertain sale) and unlawful earnings in addition to the potential evil of knowing the schoolmistresses' names on the part of those who issue these cards. Therefore, it is impermissible to issue or deal with it. May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and companions.

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