

Islam Question & Answer

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130327 - No zakaah is required on wealth that is given as a waqf to help people get married

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There is an organisation that works to help young people get married. Some doers of good have given some wealth as a waqf to help young people get married. Do those who are in charge of this institution have to give zakaah on the money that has been entrusted to them, or not?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

No zakaah is due on wealth that has been given as a waqf for the common good, such as to help the poor, or maintain the mosques, or those who need to get married, because it does not have a specific owner. This has been explained previously in the answer to question no. [130229](#) .

Shaykh Ibn 'Uthaymeen (may Allah have mercy on him) said:

With regard to money that her family donates for the purpose of marriage, or giving charity, or giving to support jihad and the like, no zakaah is due on it... because it is not the property of anyone. When wealth is given as a waqf to be spent on common interests, it does not belong to those to whom it is entrusted, therefore it is not the property of anyone. End quote.

Majmoo' Fataawa Ibn 'Uthaymeen (18/194).

And Allah knows best.