



Fatwa no. 19395

Q: If I made a vow to offer a sacrifice in the month of Muharram, Safar, or any other month; is it permissible for me to pay the value of the sacrifice to the needy or do I have to offer the sacrifice and distribute its meat to the needy? Please enlighten us.

A: Anyone who makes a vow to offer a sacrifice during a specific time and distribute it to the needy has to fulfill their vow at the specified time. The Prophet (peace be upon him) said: *(Anyone who vows to obey Allah should obey Him (i.e., fulfill their vow).)* It will not be sufficient to pay the value of the sacrifice they vowed to offer to the poor.

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

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