

## Woman paying her Zakaat to her husband

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

**Question:** A Woman owns gold which reaches the minimum required amount for Zakaat; is it permissible for her to pay her Zakaat to her (Muslim) sisters or to her husband, bearing in mind that she does not own anything except this gold?

**Shaykh Muqbil ibn Haadee al-Waadi'ee** (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ)<sup>1</sup>: Yes, it is permissible for her to pay her Zakaat to her sisters if they are poor. Poorness is neediness; meaning that one does not have that which suffices him. It is also permissible for her to pay her Zakaat to her husband if he is poor; as the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ)<sup>2</sup> said to Zaynab the wife of 'Abdullaah ibn Mas'ood when she said: "Is it permissible for me to give Zakaah of my gold to him (my husband)." He (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) said: "Yes."

<sup>1</sup> (رَحِمَهُ اللهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

<sup>2</sup> (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him