Fatwa no. 1225

Q: A man married a woman promising to give her a golden anklet, two camels, and two rings as Mahr (mandatory gift to a bride from her groom). Then his wife died. He says that the value of these golden items has changed. Should he pay their value according to their price at the time of concluding the contract or according to today's price?

A: If the reality is as mentioned, that he promised to give his wife golden anklets, two camels and two rings, he must fulfill the promise regardless of the value of these items before or after the time of fulfillment. He has to hand them to the rightful inheritors of his wife or to their authorized agents. If they agreed upon estimating the value justly according to today's price, there is no harm in that.

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

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