

Fatwa no. 2059

**Q: My brother married a woman and we paid the bride's father 13,000 Riyals as Mahr (mandatory gift to a bride from her groom). Allah willed that my brother died before consummating the marriage. Does she deserve half of the Mahr or not? It should be noted that the husband's father is still alive.**

**A:** If the reality is as mentioned, that is the husband married a woman then died before consummating the marriage, the entire Mahr goes to her once the husband dies; because a wife deserves her entire Mahr, whether paid before the contract or after it, once her husband dies or consummates marriage with her. It is not permissible for the husband's father or mother to take anything from the wife's Mahr.

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

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