

Fatwa no. 2886

Q: There was a sort of a disagreement regarding the Walimah (wedding dinner). It happens in some tribes that the wife's father hosts a Walimah at the conclusion of the marriage contract. Similarly, as the wedding nears, the husband hosts a Walimah and announces marriage through songs and celebrations. Other tribes stipulate that the husband should pay for everything related to the marriage, such as the Walimah, and the father has only to collect money. Please, give me the legal ruling as to what is mentioned above.

A: It is not permissible to spend excessively on wedding banquets, or to have female singers at the wedding. If there is any kind of dispute between the husband and the Waliy of the wife, it is the court that settles such matters.

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