## The first question of Fatwa no. 9535

Q 1: A man married our daughter who is eleven years old. He paid one-third of the Mahr. The girl died before she was fifteen before the consummation of marriage. I hope you will give me the legal opinion whether the Waliy (guardian) of the girl should return the money (one-third of the Mahr), or what should he do? May Allah reward you the best.

**A:** If the case is as you mentioned, the entire Mahr should be paid. It should go to her heirs, including her husband according to Islamic law after repaying all of her debts and carrying out her bequest, if there was any.

May Allah grant us success. May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions. The Permanent Committee for Scholarly Research and Ifta'

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