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Building bathrooms attached to Masjids

Fatwa no. (2851):

Praise be to Allah alone, and may peace and blessings be upon the last Prophet!

I have read what was sent to His Honor the Chairman by the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Justice, which was redirected to the Committee by the Council of Senior Scholars bearing the number 25/2 in 5/1/1400 A.H.

The question is:

Please, Your Honor, be advised that Al-Sharbatly Masjid (mosque) has become too crowded. On the eastern side, there are bathrooms that we would like to add as an extension to the Masjid. Is this permissible or not?

A: The Masjid bathrooms can be moved to the adjacent land, and the area where the bathrooms used to be can be annexed to the Masjid if it is in the public's interest. There is no harm in this; however, it should be done after sanitizing the area where the bathrooms used to be.

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

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