



Working for a firm that sells prohibited products

The third question of Fatwa no. 443

Q 3: What is the ruling on a Muslim who works in factories which only produce wine and intoxicants?

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A: Wine, liquors and intoxicants are forbidden, and establishing factories for producing them, working in them and the like is Haram (prohibited) for what is narrated by [Ibn `Abbas](#) (may Allah be pleased with both of them) that he said: I heard the Messenger of Allah (peace be upon him) saying: ﴿ [Jibril](#) (Gabriel peace be upon him) came to me and said: O Muhammad! Allah has cursed wine, its squeezer, its drinker, its server, the one who conveys it, the one to whom it is conveyed, its seller, its buyer and the one who gives it for drinking. 》compiled by Al-Haythamy in [Majma Al-Zawa'id] who said that it was related by Ahmad and Al-Tabarany and its narrators are trustworthy, it was also related by [Abu Dawud](#) and [Al-Hakim](#) with an addition of the following phrase: " and the one who demands its squeeze for themselves or others", and this is the person who is employed in the factories producing intoxicants, and it is impermissible for him to continue working there for the previously mentioned Hadith, as it indicates that whoever does this is cursed, besides that it involves assisting in sin and transgression. Allah (may He be Exalted) says: ﴿ [Help you one another in Al-Birr](#) and [At-Taqwâ](#) (virtue, righteousness and piety); but do not help one another in sin and transgression. 》But regarding his past employment period that precedes knowing the ruling on this, he will be excused for it, for Allah's General Saying (may He be Exalted):

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﴿ [And We never punish until We have sent a Messenger \(to give warning\).](#) 》As the Messenger receives the revelation from Allah and conveys it to the Ummah (nation), thus, a servant is not to be held liable except after being informed of his liability. May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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