## The first question of Fatwa no. 5130

Q 1: A person had one of his molar teeth extracted this morning. When the time of the Zhuhr (Noon) Prayer was due, he joined the congregational Salah (Prayer). He would make Ruku` (bowing) and Sujud (prostration) with his mouth closed.

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## What is the ruling on the validity of his Salah?

**A:** If he is unable to pronounce Takbir (saying: "Allahu Akbar [Allah is the Greatest]") or recite the Qur'an, his Salah is valid. However, if he offers Salah with his mouth closed despite being able to pronounce Takbir or recite verses of the Holy Qur'an, his Salah will be rendered invalid. There is nothing wrong with the blood that flows after the extraction of his molar tooth.

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

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