Fatwa no. 11096

Q: A young man wants to marry. He agreed with someone to propose to his daughter, but his financial circumstances are currently bad. He does not have enough money to cover the cost of marriage, so he wants to defer the dowry. However he still has to purchase some furniture and pay for the costs of the wedding. His prospective father-in-law wants to help him till things get better. He offers to lend him some money to help him cover the costs of marriage such as purchasing gold, furniture, and other items needed for marriage. Is there any evidence prohibiting this loan? It should be noted that he does not want any interest or benefit for himself. He just means to help us get married. May Allah protect you for the service to Islam and Muslims.

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A: If the case is as mentioned, the loan given by the girl's father to the prospective husband is not considered a loan that generates interest. In fact, it is a loan from a benevolent person who wants to do good for his daughter's fiance. He is to be commended for this. May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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