



Fatwa No. 10536 :

Q: When a woman gives birth to a baby, she would hang a metal rod for 40 days thinking that this piece of metal will protect her from Jinn. Women believe that this metal will benefit them rather than Allah Who has created them. I had a debate with my mother and wife about this. What is your advice to my mother and wife? I hope that your advice will solve this common problem among the tribes of Zefar. Thus, advise the Muslim women who think

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that this piece of metal can bring benefit or cause harm. Please, advise me in this regard in detail, so I can invite people to adhere to the right path. Likewise, a circumcised boy stays for 40 days without Sawm or Salat wearing that piece of metal. I need advice based on religious evidences as soon as possible. May Allah reward you in the best manner for the efforts you exert for Islam and Muslims

A: Among the kinds of Al-Shirk-ul-Akbar (major form of associating others in worship with Allah) that causes a person be an unbeliever is the act of hanging a piece of metal by a woman during the postpartum period or by a circumcised person as a charm to bring benefit or prevent evil. Allah (may He be Exalted) says: ﴿ And if Allāh touches you with harm, there is none who can remove it but He, and if He intends any good for you, there is none who can repel His Favor which He causes it to reach whomsoever of His slaves He wills. And He is the Oft-Forgiving, the Most Merciful. ﴾ On the authority of `Imran ibn Husayn (may Allah be pleased with him): ﴿ The Prophet (peace be upon him) saw a man with a gold amulet in his hand. He then asked: What is that? He replied: A protection from weakness. The Prophet (peace be upon him) said: 'Cast it off, for verily, it would only increase your weakness but if you die wearing it, you will never succeed.' ﴾ Also on the authority of `Uqbah ibn `Amir (may Allah be pleased with him) that the Prophet (peace be upon him) said: ﴿ "Whoever wears an amulet to prosper, may Allah prevent his prosperity and whoever wears a mascot for good luck, may Allah debar his luck." ﴾ Narrated by Ahmad. In another narration: ﴿ "Whoever wears an amulet commits an act of polytheism". ﴾

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Indeed, you have done well in advising your people and caring about guiding them to abandon this polytheistic Bid`ah (rejected innovation in religion); May Allah reward you well.

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

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