



Fatwa no. 5068

Q 1: Is art prohibited absolutely or for a specific time?

A: Art, such as sculpture and photography of beings with a soul, is absolutely Haram (prohibited) at any time, except when it is a case of necessity, such as taking a photo for a passport or an ID card, taking photos of suspects to identify them, or for exams, employment, or other similar cases in which photos prevent

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deception and maintain security. So taking photos is permissible if there is a real need for it.

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

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