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Question

As salaamu alaikum

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How do I calculate the Zakaat payable in the following cases:

1) The house that I live in.

Market value = R 1 800 000

Total owing to bank = R 1 200 000

Monthly repayment to bank = R 14 500

Monthly Income received from cottages on property = R 7 000 per month

2) Flat that I have as an investment and it is currently let out.

Market value = R 200 000

Owing to bank = R 50 000

Monthly repayment to bank = R 800

Monthly rent received = R 1 500

Jazakallah.

Answer

Muhtaram ,

In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

Assalaamu `alaykum waRahmatullahi Wabarakatoh

The house you are living in is not zakatable. Your next 12 installments to the bank may be deducted as a zakat liability. Your flat will only be zakatable if purchased with the intention to resell. If so 200,000 is zakatable. If not, no zakat is payable. In both scenarios you may deduct the next 12 installments as zakat liability.

As far as the rental income is concerned, whatever amount is still on hand on the day of your zakat calculation will be zakatable.

And Allah knows best

Wassalam

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