

Question 779) - A man bought a slave. The seller said, "I am absolved of all defects." The buyer then finds a defect. Can he return the defective good?

A: He may not, even though the seller did not list all the possible defects.

NOTE: Cheating and hiding defects are Haram. Muslim narrates from Abu Hurayrah RADI that Rasulullaah (S.A.W) passed by a basket filled with food. He entered his hand in it and his fingers emerged wet. He said, "What is this, O owner of the food?" "It rained on it, O Rasulullaah," he said. Rasulullaah (S.A.W) said, "why did you not place it on top of the food so that people can see it? He who deceives is not of us."

Ibn Majah narrates from Wathilah bin Asqa': I heard Rasulullaah (S.A.W) saying, "He who sells a defective product and does not expose the defect is eternally under the anger of Allaah."

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