

Q: 65 – Title: Is vegetarian pork halal? It is 100% animal free and made from soya.

Question

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Answer

In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

As-salamu ‘alaykum wa-rahmatullahi wa-barakatuh.

The permissibility of a food product is based upon its content, not its name. Hence, even though the name of the product is repugnant due to its containing the word “pork,” vegetarian pork is still permissible if it is completely free from any non- *dhabihah* animal derived product.

And Allah knows best.

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