

Question 444) - Is it allowed to pay one's Zakah to one's poor relatives?

A: There are two kinds of relatives. One kind is by birth e.g. parents, grandparents, children and grandchildren. The other is not by birth e.g. brothers, sisters, paternal uncles and aunts, maternal uncles and aunts, and their descendants. Zakah cannot be paid to the first category. The Zakah is not fulfilled is given to any parent or grandparent or descendant of either sex. Zakah can be given to the second category for which there is two rewards - the reward of Zakah and the reward of maintaining family ties.

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