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BAATIL FATWAS TO HALAALIZE LIQUOR ARE SIGNS OF QIYAAMAH

Please comment on the following fatwa issued by Mufti Ebrahim Desai. The following question was posed to him:

Question

Asslamoalaikum,

On your website, you state that vanilla extract (minimum of 35% alcohol) is permissible for use in flavoring in ice cream or cakes since it's alcohol is not Khamr (derived from grapes or dates). Vanilla extract can cause intoxication if someone drinks it directly.

My question is, if an ice cream or cake lists rum as ingredient for flavoring would be permissible? Rum is usually 40% alcohol and derived from sugar cane. The amount of rum in such an ice cream or cake is not large enough to cause intoxication.

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If this is not permissible, could you please explain how rum as an alcoholic flavoring agent would be different from vanilla extract?

Jazak Allah khair, wasslam

The Mufti gave the following fatwa:

Answer

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

As-salāmu ‘alaykum wa-rahmatullāhi wa-barakātuh.

You refer to our position on vanilla extract. You then enquire about rum as an ingredient in ice cream and cakes based on the analogy of our ruling on vanilla extract. Your analogy is correct.

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In principle, alcohol derived from dates and grapes is prohibited. Therefore, any product containing alcohol derived from any source besides dates and grapes is permissible on condition.

1. It does not intoxicate.
2. It is not generally used by people who drink intoxicants.

Rum, in **drink** form, is generally used by people who drink intoxicants, hence not permissible.

However, ice cream, cakes, chocolates and similar off the shelf products which contain very low amounts of rum are not consumed **only** by such people. They are used by one and all and are also not regarded as a main **feature** of the gatherings of sinful people (Faasiqs) as is the case with intoxicants. Such products are similar to soft drinks which are permissible.

The above answer is based on principle. If one abstains from such products, that is Taqwa.
(End of the Mufti's fatwa)

OUR COMMENT

This is one of the typical zig-zig 'fatwas' which have become characteristic of Mufti Ebrahim Desai. The resort to technicalities and the portrayal of stark ignorance of the prevailing circumstances are appalling for a Mufti. When a fatwa is issued, it is for public consumption. A Mufti who is unable to understand the evil and harmful implications of his fatwas, should abandon the post. He is not fit to issue fatwas because his fatwas magnify the evil chasm already existing between Muslims and Allah Ta'ala. Instead of giving Muslims the lesson of Taqwa with fatwa, this Mufti enhances the current state of fisq and fujoor in which Muslims are wallowing.

Every Muslim, even a faasiq who consumes *khamr* understands that all forms of liquor are haraam, not only grape and date liquor. Hadhrat Umar (Radhiyallahu alahu) described all forms of liquor to be *'khamr'* regardless of the source from which it is derived. Hadhrat Umar's Fatwa ignores the technicality of the *khamr* argument, and emphasizes the prohibition of all forms of alcohol, not of only grape alcohol. The technical arguments and factors are meant for burial in the kutub, and Hadhrat Umar's Fatwa is meant for practical application.

There is no need to delve into the technical arguments which this Mufti has proffered for justifying rum and the other 99% of liquors available on the market. With his fatwa he has opened the doors wide, extremely wide, for desensitizing Muslim inhibition to liquor and for the eventual consumption of liquor by dubbing it with fanciful names as predicted by Rasulullah (Sallallahu alayhi wasallam). He follows in the footsteps of the SANHA devil who has desensitized, in fact obliterated, Muslim inhibition to carrion. While SANHA and the other shayaateen outfits halaalize carrion, Mufti Ebrahim Desai leans backwards to halaalize liquor.

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The simple and straight forward Fatwa for Muslims is that all forms of alcohol / liquor are HARAAM, and may not be used as ingredients in cakes, icecream or any edible products. All edible products containing rum or any other liquor ingredient are HARAAM. This is the Fatwa of all FOUR Math-habs. The Fatwa of the Hanafi Math-hab is the Fatwa of Imaam Muhammad (Rahmatullah alayh), and this has been the Hanafi stance since the era of Khairul Quroon. But, the zig zag muftis of today are labouring satanically to cancel the official stance of the Math-hab with their stupid zig zag fatwas. They are driven by the nafs and they are out to court the pleasure of the juhala.

The technicality of Imaam Abu Hanifah's view may not be presented to upset and abolish the 13 century Fatwa of the Hanafi Math-hab which conforms to the Fatwa of the other three Math-habs. Mufti Ebrahim Desai is not a mujtahid. He is increasingly leaning towards liberalism and modernism. Many of his fatwas are corrupt. Instead of guiding Muslims towards Allah Ta'ala, he misleads them with his zig zag fatwas.

The presentation of copious Arabic texts from the kutub is stupid and its objective is to awe and impress the juhala awaam who do not understand head or tail of the Arabic references. It is a stupid attempt to flaunt 'knowledge'. But knowledge is being flaunted and presented in a manner which ruins the Imaan of the masses. These are the types of molvis and sheikhs about whom Rasulullah (Sallallahu alayhi wasallam) said:

"Verily, I fear for my Ummat the aimmah mudhilleen."

They are the molvis and sheikhs who mislead the Ummah with their zig zag corrupt fatwas. In

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these times of molvi-sheikh fitnah, people should resort to the advice of Rasulullah (Sallallahu alayhi wasallam) who said:

‘SEEK A FATWA FROM YOUR HEART.’

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