41730 - Does a husband have to take his wife for Hajj?

the question

My wife has not done the obligatory Hajj. Do I have to go with her for Hajj? Do I have to pay for her Hajj?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If the wife has stipulated in the marriage contract that he must take her for Hajj, then he has to fulfil this condition and take her for Hajj, because the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allaah be upon him) said: “The most deserving of conditions to be fulfilled are those by means of which intimacy becomes permissible for you.” And Allaah says (interpretation of the meaning):

“O you who believe! Fulfil (your) obligations”

[al-Maa'idah 5:1]

“And fulfil (every) covenant. Verily, the covenant will be questioned about”

[al-Isra’ 17:34]

If she did not stipulate this condition, then he does not have to take her for Hajj, but I advise him to take her for Hajj for a number of reasons:

1 – Seeking reward, because a reward like hers will be written for him too, and she will have fulfilled an obligatory duty.

2 – That will create love between them, and everything that will create love between husband and wife is enjoined.

3 – He will be praised for this action and he will set an example for people to follow.

So let him seek the help of Allaah and take his wife for Hajj, whether she stipulated that he should do so or not. But if she did stipulate that, then he is obliged to fulfil it. End quote.