

Question 1435) - In which row will the Khuntha Mushkil stand for Salah?

A: He will stand between the men and women, behind the children.*

* Rulings regarding it will be according to caution. If he prays with the men then due to the possibility that it is a woman, the men on its right, left and behind should repeat their Salah. If it prays with the women then it should repeat its Salah because it might be a man. Hence it will stand between the men and women. It should cover whatever a woman must cover in Salah because of the possibility that it is a woman.

It will be Makruh for its entire life to wear jewellery or silk; to expose it self before men or women; to be alone with a non-Mahram of either sex. If it enters Ihram while not yet pubescent then according to Abu Yusuf RAH. "I do not know about its attire, because if it is male then it is Makruh to wear stitched clothing. If it is female then it is Makruh to leave the stitched clothing." According to Muhammed RAH. "It should wear the clothing of women, because if it is female and it leaves the stitched clothing is more shameful than if it is male and it wears female clothing. There is no fine on it because it is not an adult."

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