

Question 1464) - Which women cannot be married at the same time [Jam?]?

A: One may not join blood relatives in marriage at the same time. Thus one may not marry two sisters at the same time as explicitly stated in the Quraan.

Abu Hurayrah RAH. narrates that Rasulullaah (S.A.W) forbade marrying a woman when married to her paternal aunt; a paternal aunt when married to her brother's daughter; a woman when married to her maternal aunt; a maternal aunt when married to her sister's daughter. Do not marry the small one when married to the big one. Do not marry the big one when married to the small one. [Abiu Dawud and at- Tirmizi]

From this the jurists have derived a general rule. If either one of the two women has to be regarded as a man, and marriage between them would not be allowed (whether by lineage or fosterage) then marrying both at the same time is also forbidden.

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