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ASDA MILK *Hālāl* or *Hārām*?

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Question:

1. What is the Islamic Injunction on Consuming Milk from ASDA?

Question, as received.

Abstract:



The query was deliberated amongst the Scholars at Department of *Darul-Iftaa* (*Wifaqul Ulama*) and the conclusion reached after discussion was as follows:

Since there are no added animal fat or (animal) ingredients in the ASDA brand milk, it will be permissible to consume. We advise Muslims to be careful and confirm the content before forwarding messages on Social Media.

- 1. Mufti Amjad Mohammed
- 2. Mufti Bilal Issak
- 3. Mufti Faisal al-Mahmudi (Canada)
- 4. Qadhi Imran Sayed Falahi
- 5. Mufti Mohammed Ashfaq
- 6. Qari Muhammad Shoyaib Nurgat
- 7. Mufti Zakaria Akudi
- 8. Mufti Zubair Dudha

May *Allah* preserve them all.

Administrative Research:

Supermarket Milk supply in Britain is dominated by three companies and they Arla Foods UK, Robert Wiseman Dairies, and Dairy Crest.

ASDA Whole Milk and ASDA Semi Skimmed Milk are both sourced from Arla Foods UK. They are a subsidiary of Arla Foods (Denmark) which is one of the largest dairy companies in the world.

The Milk is all obtained from British Farms. The Arla dairy at Aylesbury was officially opened by Agriculture Secretary Owen Paterson in 2014 and it is one of the largest in the country and possibly supplies a large number of ASDA stores.

There are no animal additives or preservatives added to the Milk by <u>Arla Foods UK</u> which is supplied to ASDA and sold as <u>ASDA Whole</u> Milk and ASDA Semi Skimmed Milk.

Confirmation from Farmer;

23th of November 2016: @WifaqulUlama Thankyou very much for issuing statement to correct @AsdaServiceTeam misinformation. We @ArlaFoodsUK farmers are very grateful

Acknowledgement from ASDA (Wifaqul Ulama and Mags Interaction);

23th of November 2016: @mags2milkyway Morning, really sorry about the trouble caused with the response that was sent. Thank you for your support with customers

Confirmation from ASDA;

24th of November 2016: @ohitsmeesha Hi, we've contacted our supplier who have confirmed that all our milk is suitable for vegetarians. No added fats at all! Jade

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