

## **Pricing in Islam**

Islam ensures that a Muslim's earnings are lawful and wholesome, free from exploitation and injustice. Therefore, it does not interfere with prices, even if they rise unexpectedly.

During the time of the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him), Anas ibn Malik narrated: "Prices rose during the time of the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him), and the people said, 'O Messenger of God, prices have risen, so set a price for us.' The Messenger of God (peace and blessings be upon him) replied, 'Indeed, God is the One who sets prices, the One who withholds and bestows, the Provider. And I hope to meet God with none of you having a claim against me for injustice in blood or property.'"

### **Reasons for high prices:**

1- The law of supply and demand that control the market,

Supply: Availability, production, stock, inventory, output.

Demand: Consumer desire, need, purchasing power, buyer interest, appetite.

**The law of supply and demand states** that there is an inverse relationship between price and quantity demanded:

#### **How does it work?**

When price rises, quantity demand decreases, and vice versa. On the supply side, however, the relationship is direct: when price rises, quantity supplied increases.

It should be noted that these relationships can be influenced by various factors such as consumer income, production costs, and market fluctuations.

this is by Allah's decree, over which humans have no control.

Therefore, the Prophet (peace and blessings be upon him) rejected the idea of setting prices, stating that Allah is the one who sets them, and thus the origin of price is freedom in terms of the price determination.

2- Traders who engage in monopolistic practices and greed, or producers or suppliers who act unjustly.

In this case, the ruler has the right to interfere, cracking down on monopolists and those who cheat, and setting prices, while ensuring:

Fairness in pricing so that neither the producer nor the seller is harmed by a price decrease, nor the buyer by a high price.