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# **Drugs from the perspective Islamic Sharia**

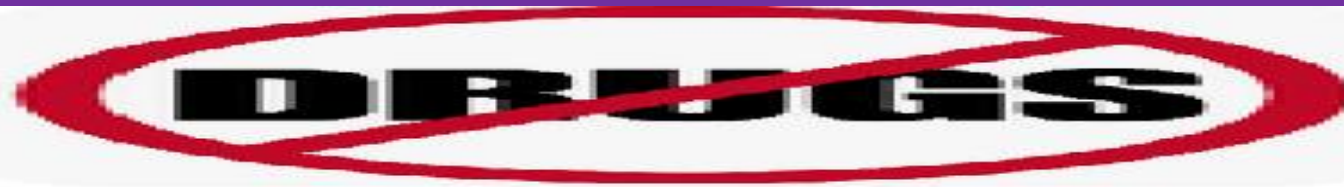
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# INTRODUCTION:

**In Islam**, drug abuse is generally condemned as it contradicts the principles of maintaining a sound mind, physical health, and leading a disciplined life. This perspective is not unique to Algeria but is shared across many Islamic countries and communities.

**Islamic Sharia law** prohibits (تحريم) the consumption of intoxicants, including drugs, as they are considered harmful to individuals and society as a whole.

# 1. Prohibition of Intoxicants:

**The Quran** explicitly forbids intoxicants, stating in **Surah Al-Ma'idah (90-91)**:

(90) " يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِنَّمَا الْخَمْرُ وَالْمَيْسِرُ وَالْأَنْصَابُ وَالْأَزْلَامُ رِجْسٌ مِنْ عَمَلِ الشَّيْطَانِ فَاجْتَنِبُوهُ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ " (90)

"O ye who believe! Intoxicants and gambling, (dedication of) stones, and (divination by) arrows, are an abomination,- of Satan's handwork: eschew such (abomination), that ye may prosper".(90)

" إِنَّمَا يُرِيدُ الشَّيْطَانُ أَنْ يُوقِعَ بَيْنَكُمْ الْعَدَاوَةَ وَالْبَغْضَاءَ فِي الْخَمْرِ وَالْمَيْسِرِ وَيَصُدَّكُمْ عَنْ ذِكْرِ اللَّهِ وَعَنِ الصَّلَاةِ فَهَلْ أَنْتُمْ مُنْتَهُونَ " (91)

"Satan's plan is (but) to excite enmity and hatred between you, with intoxicants and gambling, and hinder you from the remembrance of Allah, and from prayer: will ye not then abstain?"(91)

This verse clearly identifies intoxicants, including drugs, as a source of impurity and a means through which Satan seeks to create animosity among people and distract them from the remembrance of Allah

## **2. Hadith Prohibiting Intoxicants:**

Furthermore, **The Hadith** (sayings and actions of the **Prophet Muhammad - May the blessings of Allah be upon him-**) also emphasize the prohibition of intoxicants.

For instance, the **Prophet Muhammad (May the blessings of Allah be upon him)** reportedly said: "**Every intoxicant is Khamr (wine) and every intoxicant is Haram (forbidden)**". (Sunan Ibn Majah)

Therefore, Algeria, being Muslim country, adhere to this Islamic perspective on drug abuse.

**This Hadith underscores the general principle that all substances that intoxicate are considered forbidden in Islam, including drugs.**

### **3. Preservation of Health and Mind:**

**Islam** places great emphasis on maintaining physical health and mental clarity. Drug abuse not only harms the body but also clouds the mind, impeding one's ability to fulfill their religious duties and live a righteous life.

**Allah, the Most High, says:**“ O you who believe! Eat not up your property among yourselves unjustly except it be a trade amongst you, by mutual consent. And do not kill yourselves (nor kill one another). Surely, Allâh is **Most Merciful to you.**” (Surah An-Nisa, 4:29)

**Drug abuse, which can lead to harm or death, is considered a violation of this principle of preserving life.**



## 4. Responsibility and Accountability:

**Islam** teaches that individuals are accountable for their actions, including the choices they make regarding their health and well-being. Drug abuse is viewed as a violation of this accountability, as it involves knowingly engaging in behavior that harms oneself and potentially others.

## **5. Warning Against Following Satan's Path:**

Allah, the Most High, warns believers against following the path of Satan, who seeks to lead them astray. Intoxicants, including drugs, are considered tools of Satan to deviate people from the right path.



## 6. Command to Avoid Intoxicants:

**Allah, the Most High**, commands believers to avoid intoxicants completely. In Surah Al-Baqarah (2:219), Allah says:

" يَسْأَلُونَكَ عَنِ الْخَمْرِ وَالْمَيْسِرِ قُلْ فِيهِمَا إِثْمٌ كَبِيرٌ وَمَنْفَعٌ لِلنَّاسِ وَإِثْمُهُمَا أَكْبَرُ مِنْ نَفْعِهِمَا وَيَسْأَلُونَكَ مَاذَا يُنْفِقُونَ قُلِ الْعَفْوَ كَذَلِكَ يُبَيِّنُ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ آيَاتِهِ لَعَلَّكُمْ تَتَفَكَّرُونَ "

"They ask you (O Muhammad ) concerning alcoholic drink and gambling. Say: "In them is a great sin, and (some) benefit for men, but the sin of them is greater than their benefit." And they ask you what they ought to spend. Say: "That which is beyond your needs." Thus Allâh makes clear to you His Laws in order that you may give thought."

**This verse acknowledges that while there may be some perceived benefits in intoxicants, their harms outweigh any potential benefits. Hence, believers are instructed to abstain from them entirely.**

## 7. Severe Consequences for Disobeying Allah:

**Islam** teaches that there are severe consequences for disobeying Allah's commands. Drug abuse, being a violation of these commands, can lead to punishment in the Hereafter.

**Allah, the Most High, says:**

" وَمَنْ يَعْصِ اللَّهَ وَرَسُولَهُ وَيَتَعَدَّ حُدُودَهُ يُدْخِلْهُ نَارًا خَالِدًا فِيهَا وَلَهُ عَذَابٌ مُهِينٌ " ( An-Nisā: 14)

" And whosoever disobeys Allâh and His Messenger (Muhammad ﷺ) and transgresses His limits, He will cast him into the Fire, to abide therein; and he shall have a disgraceful torment.) An-Nisā: (14)

- ✓ This verse reminds believers of Allah's power and their accountability for their actions, including the misuse of substances like drugs.
- ✓ These additional evidences further underscore the Islamic perspective on drug abuse, emphasizing the importance of abstaining from intoxicants and following the path of righteousness as prescribed by Allah and His Messenger.

## Conclusion:

Finally, **Islam** emphasizes the importance of preserving one's health and well-being, both physically and mentally. From the Islamic perspective, drug abuse poses significant risks and is considered harmful to individuals and society as a whole.

**The Quran and Hadith** stress the importance of avoiding substances that intoxicate or harm the body and mind. Islam encourages adherents to lead a balanced and righteous life, avoiding anything that may lead to harm or destruction.

**Therefore, Islam** condemns drug abuse and advocates for prevention, treatment, and rehabilitation to safeguard individuals and communities from its detrimental effects.

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