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The second question from Fatwa number 12712:

Question 2: Is it allowed for the woman to prevent herself from marrying after the death of her first husband, or can a man order his wife not to marry another man if he dies before her? Please provide us with the answer.

Answer 2: It is not allowed for the wife to be prevented from marrying after the death of her husband, as that was exclusive to the wives of the Prophet, may God's prayers and peace be upon him. And it is not allowed for her husband to prevent her from marrying after him, and she is not obliged to obey him in that if he did. To quote the Prophet, may God's prayers and peace be upon him, "There is obedience in what is fair." (1) Through God there is success. May God's prayers and peace be upon our Prophet and his family and his companions.

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(1) Sahih al-Bukhari al-Ahkam (6726), Sahih Muslim al-Imarah (1840), Sinan al-Nisa'I al-Bi'ah (4205), Sinan Abu Da'ud al-Jihad (2625), Musannad Ahmad Bin Hanbal (82/1).

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The fifth question from Fatwa number 4921:

Question 5: Is it permitted for the young woman to abstain from marriage after the death of her first husband?

Answer 5: The (TN: Islamic) law strongly urges marriage and a desire for it, so the guardian of this young woman must advise her to marry and implore her to do so. If she refuses and does not fear she will be tempted, he can leave her be. Through God there is success. May God's prayers and peace be upon our Prophet and his family and his companions.

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