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Serving Haram food and or alcohol at a restaurant

Question:

Assalam o alaikum, I would like to ask a question that in the restaurant where i work they serve pork meat so, as a worker would it be permissible for me to serve food at the restaurant or not? Please guide me in the matter, thanks.

Answer:

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم

وعليكم السلام ورحمة الله وبركاته,

Working in a restaurant that serves wine or pork to its customers would be classified as Haraam and a Major sin.

يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ ءَامَنُوا إِنَّمَا الْخَمْرُ وَالْمَيْسِرُ وَالْأَنْصَابُ وَالْأَزْلَامُ رِجْسٌ مِّنْ عَمَلِ الشَّيْطَانِ فَاجْتَنِبُوهُ لَعَلَّكُمْ تُفْلِحُونَ (٩٠)
(Surah Al-Ma'idah Verse 90)

Translation:

O you who believe! Intoxicants, gambling, idols, and drawing lots for decisions are all evil of Satan's handiwork so refrain from it, so that you may be successful.

Rasulullah (Sallallahu Alayhi wa Sallam) said: "He who believes in Allah and the Last Day, should not sit at a meal where wine is served."

(Musnad e Ahmad)

If food is Haraam for a Muslim to consume, buy, or sell then serving it to others is also Haraam. (Durr-e-Mukhtar) Hence, one should strive towards changing one's line of profession and find something which is Islamically permissible.

And Allah is the All-Knowing.

Wassalam U Alaikum

