



Sponsored by your wife? No part-time jobs for you



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I am an Indian and my UAE residence visa is sponsored by my wife, who works in a government hospital in Dubai. In my visa it is mentioned that I am not eligible to work. I want to know whether I can do some part-time work.

Pursuant to your question (as I understand it), the prevailing regulations in the United Arab Emirates do not allow a husband to be employed while he is under the sponsorship of his wife as a dependant. Therefore you will have to cancel your current visa and obtain an employment visa should you wish to take up employment in the UAE, whether part-time or otherwise.

In case you are looking for a part time work, your prospective employer who is willing to provide you with part time work may approach Ministry of Labour and avail a part time work permit, if granted by the ministry.

Article No.2 (3) of Cabinet of Ministers Resolution No. 25 of 2010 Concerning Internal Work Permits Applicable in the Ministry of Labour states, "No employer may hire a UAE national or non-national

worker resident in the state in any of his establishments except after obtaining the work permit whereby a national or non-national is recruited in a job with working hours less than the normal working hours of full-time workers engaged in the same job at any firm."

Detained in Dubai over dud cheque

A friend of mine was detained at the Dubai International Airport after returning from Pakistan for dishonour of a cheque for Dh127,000. He, however, did not issue a cheque worth this amount to anyone. He has been released from the airport with the help of a lawyer, but the police have kept his passport. Please advise.

It is assumed that your friend might have informed the police during interrogation that he had not issued any cheque to anyone in the UAE. It is likely that this incident may have happened due to mistaken identity or some other wrongful circumstances. The police should be investigating this matter and your friend will have to wait till the completion of the in-

vestigation by the police. Upon completion of the investigation, the police shall file its report with the public prosecutor who may withhold initiating charges against your friend, if the report favours him, and return his passport. The Public Prosecutor may file proceedings against your friend, if the report does not favour him.

Your friend may further consult his lawyer who is representing him in the matter.

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