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Question:

Salaam walaykum, Can the Mutaqif eat iftar in the masjid cafeteria?

بسم الله الرَّحْمن الرَّحِيْم

In the name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

Answer:

Walykum Salaam, a person performing Itikaf cannot leave the masjid area if he has someone available who can bring him food and water. However, if he does not have anyone who can bring him food and water, then it is permissible for him to leave the masjid to bring food and water. However, he will have to bring the food to the masjid and eat in the masjid.

Therefore, a Mutaqif cannot eat iftar in the masjid cafeteria if someone is available to bring him his food and water.

The Rules of I'tikaaf: Mufti Muhammad Taqi Uthmani, pg. 24

Only Allah knows best

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