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Question: Is it permissible to perform Rukoo' (bowing) to one's parents?

Answer: This is impermissible and is tantamount to Shirk (associating others with Allaah in His Divinity or worship). Rukoo' is a form of worship, just like Sujood (prostration); therefore, it is impermissible to bow or prostrate before anyone other than Allaah the Exalted.

May Allaah grant us success. May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions.

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