

Differences between Products of Islamic and Conventional Banks

| S. No | Islamic Banks | Conventional Banks |
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| 1 | The relation between the Bank and its Depositors is that of Mudarib and Rabb-ul-Maal (in case of Savings Account and Term Deposits) | The relation between Bank and Depositors that Borrower and Lenders |
| 2 | The Bank invests the funds it receives at the depositors' own risk (in case of Savings Account and Term Deposits) but being a trustee, is accountable to the depositors in case of its negligence resulting in loss | Conventional Banks provide guarantee of the capital to their depositors. |
| 3 | Profit is shared with the Rabb-ul-Maal at a pre-agreed ratio, that is, the Bank pays a share of the profits it actually earns from its operations to its depositors | Depositors are paid at a pre-agreed interest rate. |
| 4 | Profit payment to depositors cannot be of fixed nature. Islamic Banks cannot pre-advise rate of return to depositors but may indicate a range based on their past performance with no guarantee of the principal or profit | Interest payment is fixed |
| 5 | The relation between the Bank and its customers can vary (on the asset side) | The relation between the Bank and its customers is also based on lending and borrowing |
| 6 | Transactions are real asset-based (on the asset side) | Transactions are financial asset-based, that may not be physical assets |