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Abstract of the Articles

Service to Society - An Islamic Point of View

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A two-day workshop of Zonal functionaries of Dept. of Service to Society was held at the headquarters of Jamaat-e-Islami Hind on 30-31 July 2016. The inaugural address made by Ameer Jamaat-e-Islami Hind Maulana Syed Jalaluddin Umari therein has been presented in this article.

The Maulana said welfare activities are carried out at a large scale by different individuals, organisations and NGOs. Islam has declared it as a source of seeking the pleasure of Allah. Where the Qur'an has laid stress on the fundamental beliefs, Monotheism, Prophethood and the Day of Resurrection, it has also underlined certain etiquette. One of the salient features of the noble slaves of Allah described in the Qur'an is that they spend their wealth in the way of Allah. This teaching was given in the Makkan period and it also finds mention in the Surahs revealed in Madinah. It means that the noble slaves of Allah do the task of spending in the way of Allah continuously. Spending in the way of Allah is a way to extend thanks to Allah for His blessings and bounties. In the end, the Maulana said that Jamaat-e-Islami Hind too encourages its members and associates to do welfare activities and chalks out planning for it.

Ahadith of Makkan Period in Seerah Ibn Ishaq

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Muhammad Ibn Ishaq (d. 150 H.) holds the position of an authority in Seerah writing. Not only in his own age but in every age as well he was considered the source of Seerah and he still is. The opinions of Muhaddithin, Ulama, Historians and Seerah writers about such a towering personality are almost negative and critical. In the field of Hadith he is not considered reliable and objections of sorts are levelled against him. In hadith narration he is called '*Mudallis*'.

Ibn Hisham (d. 218 H.) compiled and precised the Seerah works of Ibn Ishaq. It gained popularity as *Seerat Ibn Hisham*. This book became so famous that the original book (of Ibn Ishaq) went in the background. In the Seerah narrations of Ibn Ishaq there are a large number of narrations which hold the position of Ahadith. This article presents a research and critical analysis of these Ahadith of Seerat Ibn Hisham and that too only those Ahadith which are related to the Makkan period of Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be to him).

A Critical Analysis of the Validation of Ilm al-Kalam

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Ilm al-Kalam debates major Islamic beliefs and presents logical arguments to prove their importance. There are two opinions about the validation of Ilm al-Kalam. Some theologians consider it an important subject, while others reject their views and consider it an absurd ailment. In this article, the writer has discussed a brief historical sketch of and arguments on the validation of Ilm al-Kalam. In the end, a critical review and conclusion is presented for the readers.

A Critical Appraisal of Ahmadiya Qur'anic Exegeses

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"The Ahmadiya Group" under the patronage of Mirza Ghulam Ahmad Qadiyani had been working since long to lead gullible Muslims astray through different ways. They even

used the Holy Qur'an for this purpose so that people might easily come to believe in their arguments. They not only translated the Holy Qur'an but also explained it according to new rules of Tafseer, which are against the set rules of the scholars, so that people with little knowledge might be trapped therein. For this purpose we have studied their Tafseers and revealed their erratic method of Tafseer. The purpose of this article is to make people aware of their wrong rules and beliefs.

Some Aspects of Sublimity of Qur'an

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Much has been written both in the ancient and modern ages on the sublimity of the Qur'an. This article brings into light the its some aspects. It says that the Qur'an was revealed in the Arabic language, which, in comparison to other languages, has many characteristics. It was revealed in Shab-e-Qadr (the Night of Power or Destiny) which is a night of utmost blessings and bounties. It was revealed to the heart of the Last Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be to him). Allah the Exalted Himself has given witness to the Prophet's exalted etiquette and manners; and not only his followers but his critics also have testified to his greatness. Jibraeel, who holds the highest position among angels, brought it to the Prophet. And the tribe, which was the first

addressee of the Qur'an, had also qualities of head and heart. Thus the sublimity of the Qur'an is evident in the matter of its revelation as well.

Labour and Wages Law of Islam
An Analytical Study of Maulana Mujibullah
Nadwi's Work

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Maulana Mujibullah Nadwi (d. 12 May 2006) has presented comprehensive works on the Qur'an, Hadith, Fiqh (Jurisprudence), Seerah, Biography, Education, contemporary issues, poetry and other aspects of Islamic Studies. His book, *Islam ka Qanoon-e-Mehnat-o-Ujrat* (Labour and Wages Law of Islam) is a specimen of standard research work on an important contemporary issue. This book has been published by Markaz-e-Tahqeeq, Dayal Singh Public Library, Lahore, Pakistan as well as by Taj Company, Delhi, India. This book consists of eight chapters. It deals in great detail with the responsibilities of society and government towards the unemployed and labourers, Islamic laws of wages of labourers, wages of labourers in exigencies, rights of professionals and other related subjects. This article presents a gist of the discussions in the book and highlights its research features.

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