Difference between Isharah al-nass and Metaphorical meanings (Majaz) of the Our'an

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The study of Our'anic interpretation has multidimensional issues that are discussed by the scholars of Our'anic sciences. One issue of Our'anic interpretation is to understand difference between Metaphorical meanings and Isharah al-nass because apparently they seem identical. Al-sarkhasi, famous *Hanafi* scholar and jurist, writes that *Isharat al-nass* is the meanings of the words that are not intended to convey and the verse is not revealed for this purpose. The hidden meanings of the words or text can be obtained by contemplation upon the words without linking the text to any other text or context.(1)Another famous scholar al-nasfi describes Isharah al-nass as the meanings of the words that are derived without need of any addendum or supplement. These meanings are meanings of the words but not aimed to relay. Furthermore these meanings are not apparent and evident. No one can perceive these hidden meanings without deep thinking over the words. (2) The primary theme of these definitions can be concluded into the following

points.

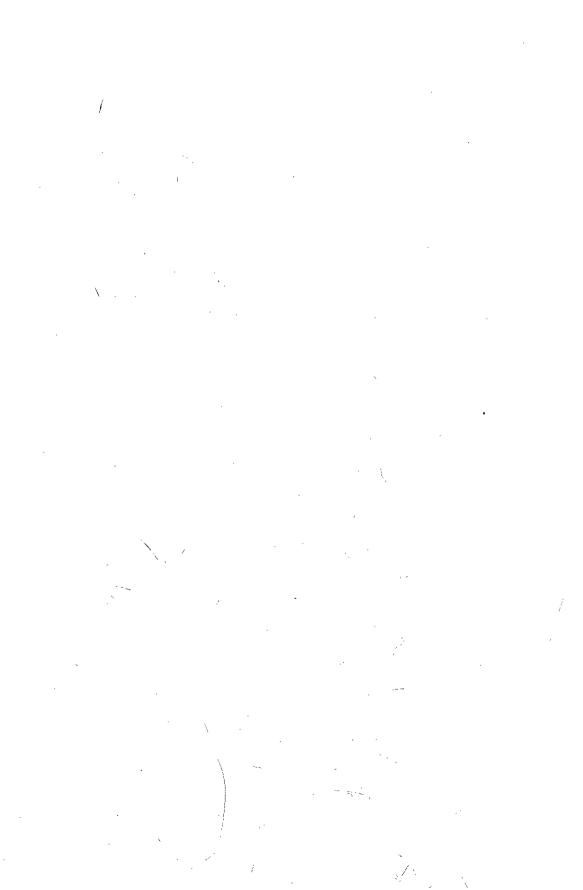
- The meanings obtained by Isharah al-nass are implicit and i. cannot be identified without intensive meditation on the words or text
- The meanings derived by Isharah al-nass are not intended and ii. principle meanings. However these meanings are indispensible.
- To find out the hidden meanings by Isharah al-nass depends iii. upon the intellectual capability and wisdom of the researcher.

Now we come to metaphorical expressions of the Qur'anic text. It is a natural phenomenon that sometimes words are used in their real meanings (hagigi) and sometime they are used in a new perspective with new dimensions (Majazi). A metaphor is a rhetorical expression that describes a subject by associating it to another because of some resemblance and similarity. Here at first step we will make clear that what are the literal meanings of Majaz and then how it is defined by scholars of the concerned field.

Literal meaning of metaphor (Majaz):

The word Majaz is extracted from the word jaza vajuz that gives the meaning to pass, cross and to go beyond. The word jawaza that is root word of Majaz, has been used in the Qur'an in the meaning to pass and go beyond. The Our an says: ﴿ فَلَمَّا جَلُوزَهُ هُو وَالنَّبِينَ آمَنُوا مَعُهُ ﴿ (And after he had crossed

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