

# The Origin and Status of Man

(in the light of science and revelation)

A.H. Kamali

In the last issue of "Hikmat-e-Qur'an", we published an article, written in Urdu by learned scholar Mr. Sajid Mahmood Muslim, on the subject of creation and evolution of man on earth, that examined the creation of man in the light of modern sciences. On the same subject, we present here an article, *The Origin and Status of Man (in the light of science and revelation)*, written in English by A.H. Kamali. The article explains, in the light of the Qur'anic verses, the significance of the subject in accordance with the modern knowledge in Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Geology, and Physical Cosmology. At the conclusion of the article, Mr. Kamali observes: "One thing is quite certain that life has come out on the earth and has not come from outside, from some other sphere, to it".

According to researches and study in the modern physical sciences, the development of the universe has shown that it has developed in the following successive creative stages or orders: (1) The Cosmos, (2) The Planet Earth, (3) The vegetables, (4) The Animals and finally, (5) The present self-conscious stage of man.

Evidently, man is placed at the top of all creative stages – the only stage where creative activity is in progress – we can be sure that man exists on the Planet Earth only.

*"And Allah made of service unto you whatever is in the heavens and whatever is in the earth; it is all from Him. Lo! Herein verily are portents for people who reflect"*  
(al-Qur'an 45:13).