

# THE VERSIFIED TRANSLATION AND EXEGESIS OF THE QUR'ĀN AND ITS ACCEPTANCE IN THE SUB CONTINENT

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## ABSTRACT

The Holy Qur'ān has been the focus of attention from the very outset of its revelation. With the propagation of Islam and the expansion of its territory, there was a dire need of making the message of the Holy Qur'ān understandable to non Arabs. This motivation enabled rendering of Quranic meanings into other languages. The Indian sub continent exhibited an exponential growth in this regard and countless translations belonging to variety of stylistic trends were undertaken. Among all these styles, the versified translation has been a subject of interest. This article tries to explore its historic evolution and ensuing criteria for acceptance or rejection in sub continental audience.



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