Research Study of Methodology of Ibn e'Ashur in His Exegesis "Al-Tahrir Wal-Tanvir"

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Muhammad Al-Tahir Tbn 'Ashur (1879-1973) was a prominent maliki scholar of Tunisia in modern era. His personality had different dimensions. He was a Shaykh and famous teacher of Jamia Zaytuna, great reformer of educational system in Tunis, well aware of Islamic law and its philosophy and the author of several books in different branches of knowledge. One of his great works is exegesis "Al-Tahrir Wa Al-Tanvir". It is an exegesis of complete Holy Qur'an comprising of thirty volumes including ten preambles about various Qur'anic Sciences. It has a unique place among the exegesis in all aspect. In this article we shall study the methodology of Ibn e Ashor in his exegesis. His work in his tafsir is very rich in all branches of knowledge i.e Quranic Sciences, Hadith & Its sciences, dialectic jurisprudence, Linguistics, Syntax & Morphology, Rhetoric ect. In his point of views the Rhetoric is the one of main causes of inimitability of the Holy Qur'an; so apart from the other aspect of inimitability of the Holy Qur'an, his main focus on this acpect to prove that the Holy Quran is inimitable throughout the history and will remain matchless in all times. Although he is ascribed to Maliki school of thought but his ability of diligence can be observed in several matters with different ideas from Maliki thoughts. Dozens of research works on this exegesis shows its significance, acceptance and great place among the intellectual ones.

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