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## The concept of value oriented education in the Islamic Philosophy of Education

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This paper is based on the philosophical theories of knowledge of western philosophers and a Muslim thinker Ibn-e-Sina. It has been mentioned by the educationists that there is always an educational philosophy behind education systems. This educational philosophy is the essence of the educational system. Great Greek philosophers like Socrates, Plato and Aristotle and the great Muslim thinker Ibn-e-sina and Imam Ghazali have common notion that the education should be value oriented and in Islamic teaching we find that real values are given by Quran and Sunnah. Keeping in view the importance of knowledge and wisdom and the place of teacher in Islam, an educational system can be designed based on the Islamic values and the purpose of teaching and learning should be in order to deliver those values to the next generation.

Everyone knows the importance of the education and is keen to improve the system of education but little people bother to know the philosophy of education behind it because philosophy is not merely a scientific inquiry of the truth but it deals with the method of finding truth as well. This is the reason that some writers stress that philosophy is the 'second-order' activity: thinking about thinking and knowing about knowing. Therefore it is understood that the philosophy of education is as important as the education itself. Fortunately, most of the great philosophers of East and West are themselves teachers and they have discussed the issues of knowledge and imparting knowledge in great length. Their theories of knowledge and wisdom can be found in their philosophical discourses. Epistemology is the branch of philosophy which deals with the science of knowledge and the theory of knowledge.

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concentrated online Islamic library which will be effortlessly accessible to every person around the world through the internet. This library will provide the Islamic literature interpreted into every language.

## Web Content Hosted on Website or Web portal

Today in this global village, every university, international school, reputable education organizations own and have their website. Similarly, Islamic schools (Madrassas) must have their web content hosted on relevant websites and web portals along with Islamic contents, books as well as information for everyone, because after making website online on internet, these books and information can be obtained anywhere from the world anytime by anyone. These websites should be continuous and should be maintained up to date regularly. Furthermore, Islamic scholars must contribute in blogging and contribute their efforts by using internet and social networking sites which is most common medium today.

## Conclusion

Muslims have now dominating in the areas of technology and media as they are now grasping well unto them. Possibly in the near future, it can be visualized that people will be capable of forming a single podium where all Muslims globally would be competent of conversing about their dilemmas and whatsoever meaningful data would be found on the internet which they are hunting. Hence, a little more effort is needed through the media and technology for the spread of Islam and its teachings to prosper. Through the Internet, it has become easy to read blogs and news, opinion and current affairs that has been lately constrained from people around the world like, Indonesia, China, Canada, Russia, Ghana, Mexico, France and South Africa, as though people could have been discussing to colleague Muslims who resided near by. This could be a predominantly significant step forward for Muslims alongside with other minorities who undergo exclusion from the majorities' communities in the western communities. Infringement into the media is a bit difficult anyhow, and upraising a substitute view is even harder. But combing hands with the e-ummah is finally a way for Muslims and others to be heeded on their own provisions.

Muslim humanity has now realized the significance of Information Technology and Internet in Islam in spreading, promoting and propagating, and they are doing loads of work on it. It is believed that not before long the Muslim world will generate a

## TV Channels

As a Muslim, one of the most significant things to think about and realize is that Islamic education's role in spreading Islam should not be restricted merely to Islamic TV channels only. Effectively, every added channels that are privately or government-owned, whether international or national, Muslim countries must be responsible for this matter to execute their role for education and learning purpose. All kinds of TV shows like game shows, dramas and plays, and debate shows should include Islamic contents too as well as they should aired on family and entertainment TV channels by itself, TV channels attracts more viewers as compare to complete Islamic channels.

## Remote areas Accessibility

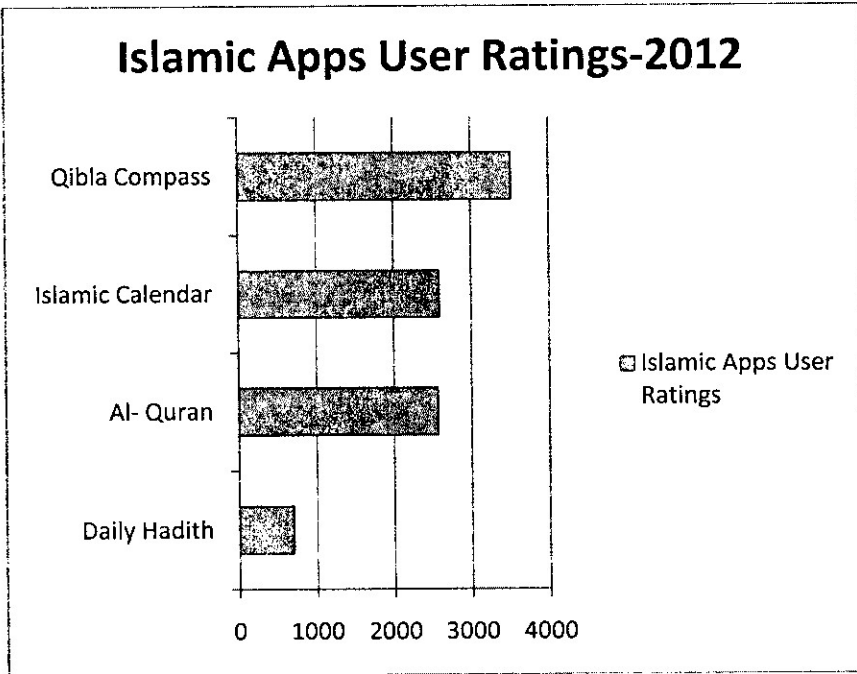
Besides mentioning above way of spreading the word of Islam, the promotion of Islam gets a little tough when there are huge numbers of Muslims living in remote areas where TV broadcasting and other means of mass media are unavailable. Countries like Somalia have been in wayward statuses where reading and learning is difficult; children are using slates and wooden tablets to preserve their Quran, as shown in the picture (right). In such areas, Muslims who are well educated and have access to every means can go to their towns and villages and use technology such as iPads and tablets to show them live fatwas and also give them fatwas and preach them about Islam.

More simply, now every Smartphone has downloadable applications of Quran and Ahadis and has translations in many languages, thus teaching of Islam can be made easy through them in remote areas. Some computer-based TV products are also available online which broadcast online TV shows, prayer times, etc. These aids greatly in the promotion and spread of Islam as viewers can not only view but also share these WebPages and links with their kinfolks and friends. Islamic scholars openly and easily preach the Muslims and such TV products are available with editing features, where you can record and save the fatwas and shows to your phone or computer.

audio and/or video, still images or motion pictures or a combination of any of these types.

These digital libraries and e-books would help in delivering resources and possibly online fatwas to those remote users who are not present physically in the same region, thus creating a knowledge pool among the Muslims about Islam. They could be used multi-purposely by creating such motion and pictures to attract the viewers. For example, the history of the battles fought in Islam may be studied by showing the maps and pictures of those historical places, elaborating scriptures or hand-written materials' photos to the users in order to better understand the events. A virtual exhibition may also be organized on the web to display Islamic scriptures and manuscripts, thus aiding in education through virtual studies. The Quran itself can be viewed as an e-book on the Internet for the Muslims to read and understand. Recitations and translations are also narrated and recorded with these e-books so that the readers can be familiar with the pronunciation of certain words and ayats. The matter that is contained in these digital libraries and e-books cannot be destroyed during disasters as it is not in physical form like other books (the Holy Quran is an exception for which Allah Himself has taken the guarantee to guard it till the Last Day). These digital libraries can therefore be transferred to different locations in digital forms, thereby aiding in the preservation of knowledge.

Many e-books and digital libraries consulting Islam are on the web, most of them developed by non-Muslims by collecting Islamic manuscripts and content from authorized sources. Some of the popular websites among these are [www.al-islam.org](http://www.al-islam.org), [www.academicinfo.net/islamiclibray.html](http://www.academicinfo.net/islamiclibray.html), [www.islamicdigitallibrary.net](http://www.islamicdigitallibrary.net) and [www.ummah.net/history/scholars](http://www.ummah.net/history/scholars). They contain content regarding Islam, listing of authentic Islamic books and journals, culture and thoughts and calligraphies of Islamic scriptures, etc. One of them shows the architectures of olden Islamic times and those which are still standing, the arts and literature of 8.A.H and later, and articles, The Quran, Ahadis and e-books in multilingual translations.



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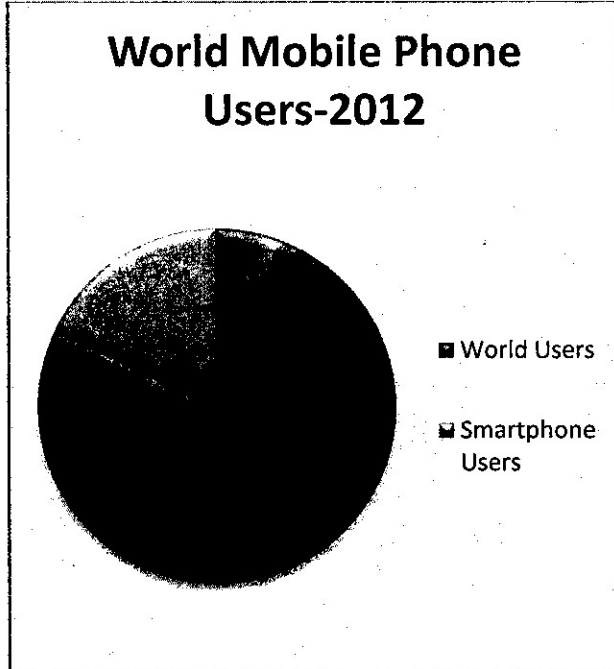
### Digital Libraries and E-books

Mastering IT has now become an essential skill for Muslims and other people as well. Here, we would emphasize the Muslims since a discussion of Islamic Digital Libraries and E-books would be conducted. By mastering in IT, Muslims can effectively use the information and facts provided over the Internet about Islam. The improvement in Information and Communication Technology and Web technology has contributed for the development of digital libraries. This enables users to access the information and reports at any time they want. Digital libraries have also led to further development of e-journals, e-books and to the making of e-publishing.<sup>[27]</sup>

Digital libraries have become a helping hand in accessing, organizing and retrieving information quickly online and are advancement to the traditional libraries. It has extended the means of spreading knowledge about Islam to remote information users. This information may be present in any digital form whether in text form,



Some of this can be judged by the statistics below which shows that there are almost 5 billion mobile phones users out of which 1.08 billion users have Smart phones. Out of these users, many have downloaded Islamic Apps. The data below illustrates the users' ratings:



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written by the local authors or scholars. However, today, it has become very simple through the internet due the information technology to locate Islamic culture, books on Islam, as well as literature regarding Islam written by several famous world scholars. Huge numbers of hardcopies are reachable in various layouts that can be also downloaded from the internet, for example in PDF formats as well as other formats that are readable online.<sup>[24]</sup>

Therefore, the latest media was created due the growth of communication and computers with high performance, proving utilities like the internet and virtual sites. Consecutively, virtual communities started developing and interpersonal communication took flight, which are good examples of the new types of messages sharing their experiences that the latest media has assisted in growing in the virtual environment. Latest types allowed by these rising media along with experiences encouraged the chances of global education. Furthermore, presently virtual education as well as eliminated the obstructions. Today, as we see that world is a global village now, latest and modern learning experiences would be enhanced as well as it is persuaded and supported by these technologies, because virtual social forums, which remains in by relations across the globe through worldwide network of internet and personal computers. Internationally, sharing of expertise would make likely the agreement and group points of instruction in remote education.

Today, Internet and IT has also made it viable to carry soft copy of The Holy book Quran as well as Hadith with us all over the place at any time. Editions of Dua, Hadith and Quran in downloadable form or soft copy along with much added software for Islam are accessible for smart-phones, computers, as well as other hand carry devices in digital format. The programs and software for Islamic publications are obtainable on internet and are free of cost. Moreover, personal computers and smart-phones are programmed in such a way that these programs can easily be installed unto them in just a single click. Internet's technology can thus assist those Muslims living in non-Muslim regions where other forms of Islamic books, sources of material or the Quran itself is not available vastly.<sup>[26]</sup>