

The Uniqueness of Al-Quran

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Al Qur'an-ul-Kareem

Praise be to Allah who has sent Al Quran-ul-Kareem as a guide to all humanity, peace and blessings of Allah upon our beloved Nabi, (s.a.w). Our beloved messenger Muhammad (s.a.w), has conveyed the last message of Allah to not only the people of his time, but also right down to our time and even though he is not physically in this world, his message will survive till the end of time. He, (s.a.w) has established a mechanism of faithful transmission of the message and left us on the clear proof from which no person can stray unless they are willful wrong-doers. Ash-Hadu Anna La Ilaha Illallah wa ash hadu anna Muhammad rasulullah.

Honourable Minister Tan Sri Nur Mohammed Yacoub, the Minister with the Prime Minsters department, respected Datos, honourable Imams, and our most respected Maulana Imam Peer Mohammed Baqavi, invited guests, Brothers and Sisters:

Assalamu Alaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuhu

It is a great honour and privilege for me to be here to participate in this special and auspicious occasion to launch a translation of the meaning of the Holy words of Allah, the translation of the meaning of Al Quran-ul-Kareem with a Tafseer in the Tamil language.





I congratulate the learned Maulana Imam Peer Mohammed Baqavi for his great achievement. The Honour of the translation first came from Allah (s.w.t) as he chose Maulana and inspired him to dedicate many years of his life to the service of His words. Our Nabi Kareem, (s.a.w) said, "Khayrukum man ta'allamal Qur'an wa'allamah. The best amongst you is the one who learns the Qur'an and teaches it to others". Such a person is the best in service to humanity because this person is bringing to them guidance from the Almighty Allah.

Maulana honoured me by asking me to write my humble introduction to his Tafseer. In that introduction, I outlined that I have found the Imam, Maulana Baqavi, to have a unique style of delivery and exceptional elegance and eloquence in his speeches. I am always impressed and I have always enjoyed hearing or reading the words of Maulana Baqavi. I pray to Allah (s.w.t) to bless him and the readers so that they will benefit (Fiddaarain) in both of the worlds.

Brothers and Sisters, Al Quran ul Kareem provides comprehensive guidance to improve our lives and a rope of salvation for all men and women. It satiates and brings contentment to simple people as it does to the most sophisticated and all in between. The Holy Qur'an nourishes the learned scholar who never tires of delving into its depth as it does the unlearned humble worker with both reciters and those who hear the recitation being moved to tears by its recitation.





Dear friends, brothers and sisters:

- Al Quran ul Kareem is unique in its tune, rhythm, melody and rhyme.
- Al Quran ul Kareem is unique in its metaphors, similitudes, brevity, emphasis, elegance, synonyms, eloquence and lack of discrepancy.
- Al Quran ul Kareem is unique in its information about the unseen, and the stories it narrates.
- Al Quran ul Kareem is unique in its spiritual up liftment, it touches not only the inner heart of those who are sincere and honest but also its opponents as we have learnt from the hadeeth with three of the leading enemies of the Prophet Muhammad, (s.a.w) secretly listening to the words of the Holy Qur'an on many occasions and admitting the beauty of expression, eloquence and the Divine origin of the words.
- Al Quran Al Kareem is unique in its scientific miracles, while it is not a book of science it surpasses science and technology in its foretelling of the scientific information.
- The Holy Qur'an is a book that one can read over and over and always learn something new, even those who have committed the book to memory will always learn from it and never feel bored.
- Allah (s.w.t) challenged both Inss (humans) and Jinn to emulate even a small chapter, but they could not.
- When reading or reciting the Holy Qur'an, a person is awarded the blessings of ten good deeds for every letter recited.
- Reading or reciting the holy Qur'an is an act of worship.





Al Quran ul Kareem describes itself as a "A guide to humanity", the Qur'an serves every human need. It was delivered to us by the person described as a "mercy to humanity", our beloved Prophet Muhammad, (s.a.w)

A great part of al Quran is devoted to the series of stories that illustrate the conflict between Imaan (faith) and Kufr (denial of belief), between vision and wisdom and wilful blindness.

In Al Quran ul Kareem we read about the struggles of Muhammad, peace and blessings upon him, against the Meccan infidels in a society that is run by the wealthy business elites.

We have been constantly reminded of the suffering of Prophets Ibrahim and Jesus, (peace and blessings upon them).

The Prophet mentioned the most in Al Qur'an ul Kareem is Prophet Musa, (peace and blessings upon him), to teach us lessons even today, a time where the magicians of Fir'aun who bewitch the eyes and intellect of people can do so with the power of the mass media.

From the beginning to the end, a perfect balance is maintained between good-tidings and warnings, between hope and fear. The promise is contrasted with the threat of burning fire. And this threat is usually followed by reminders of Allah's mercy and forgiveness.

Al Quran describes itself as a "reminder to humanity". It reminds us of the reality about Allah and his Tauheed and Youmul Qiyama (the day of reckoning). The Quranic text is rich with decisive references to the natural world and the lessons we can learn simply from looking around us and reflecting: who made them and how He perfected them?





Al Quran states: "In the creation of the heaven and earth and the alternation of day and night are signs". In this and many other quotations of the Holy Quran we are urged to use our God-given faculties.

Al Quran ul Kareem describes itself as Alfurqan (The discriminator or the criterion), the Qur'an is the arbiter with respect to all the world's teachings, that which is in harmony with the Qur'an is good and that which is not in harmony is to be treated with great caution or shunned altogether.

It is as though the revelation had descended into a world with a thick fog of oblivion and neglect that was created when people had forgotten or distorted the earlier Divine messages so nothing to them was clear. The Holy Qur'an was revealed at a time when good and evil had become conflated in the minds of people. The Qur'an broke down that fog and brought a clear shining light to educate and bring people into a perfect state of enlightenment. The Qur'an eliminated the fog leaving every outline clear cut. There can be no further excuse for confusing truth with falsehood, or failing to distinguish and discriminate between good and evil.

When the promises have been made and the warning issued, when the stories have been told, Al Quran turns to the unimaginable moment. Al Quran says: "When the sun is folded up when the stars are darkened, when the mountains pass away, when the seas boil over and the records are laid open", we are reminded that all things have a time set for them and that all things must come to an end, when their time comes. This is both a culmination and a reinvention of the natural order, for then all disorders and discrepancies will pass away.





Notice the Arabic words of the verse, when the Sun "Kuwwirat", illustrating a sense of implosion into Itself, the stars are "darkened", is that not a reference to "black holes"? A scientific miracle revealed in a time and place when even a simple telescope was not known to humanity. This is a small taste into one of the many verses that deal with scientific miracles.

The universe and every creature in it will return to the Creator from Whom they all began and by Whom they were all sustained through the ages and there remains only Allah, the Divine, Glorious and Majestic.

Brothers and Sisters, Mr. Chairman, from the beginning of his life till its end the Muslim lives with the Quran and finds in it all he needs. He knows that without its guidance and divine mercy we would be like a blind man, but with the Quran beside him, like a compass before his eyes, the Muslim feels secure in the midst of lifes uncertainties, he knows where he is going and he has ample provision for his journey.

Honourable minister, respected Imams, and respected Datos, Tan Sris, Brothers and Sisters, I am very honoured to be part of this special and memorable occasion, "Launching Tafseer of Al Quran Al Kareem in Tamil Language" by my dear friend the learned Imam Maulana Peer Mohammed Baqavi.

I pray that Allah (s.w.t) will bless and accept this great effort and bless those who have contributed in bringing out this great achievement.





I also pray to Allah (s.w.t) to bless the author with Toufeeq to complete the remaining parts of the Quran and I am very sure Tamil speaking members of this Ummah will benefit tremendously from this great work.

MUBARAK - CONGRATULATIONS

Thank you very much

Jazakum Allah Khair, may Allah bless you

A humble servant of the words of Allah

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