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Editorial

The present volume of *Bangladesh Journal of Islamic Thought (BJIT)*, as usual, contains articles, book reviews, translation note and conference report. The policy of BIIT is to publish articles in three languages namely, Bengali, English and Arabic to fulfill the demand of readers well versed in three languages.

Farhana Chowdhury's article "The Essays of Francis Bacon: Inspiring Perfection" emphasizes courage and motivation to win over difficulties of life. Her essays inspire its readers to live simply and attain perfection by conveying the need of unity and friendship among all, advocating the importance of knowledge, performing one's responsibility to others, showing the ways to cheek evil temptation and cultivate the other virtues to face the challenges of life. The author encourages people to study Bacon's essays so that they are inspired to build a peaceful-society.

Muhammad Nazmul Huda in "The Role of Social Media in Promoting Ethics, Morals and Values" suggests how social media could be utilized for promoting ethics (*dawah*) in the society especially by the religious leaders.

The article on "Rights of Maintenance of a Muslim Wife under Islamic Law: A Legal Analysis" Jannatul Ferdaus maintains that Muslim laws have emphasized on the proper maintenance of a wife by her husband. She is entitled to maintenance all through her married life and also during *iddat*, the period after separation of married life.

Sayed Mohammad Jalal Uddin Al-Azhari in his essay on " ساليب تربية الرسول الأصحابه:

" (Teaching Method of Prophet (SAAS) to His Followers: An Overview)" brings out some important aspects of the Prophet's teachings in respect of education and good manners as well as presents his methodology of posture and some practical displays. The author puts forward some recommendations in cultivating the Prophet's method of teaching.

Dr. Rita Ashraf's "মুসলিম ঐতিহ্য ও নজরুল সাহিত্য (Muslim Traditions and the Literary Works of Nazrul)" contains Muslim history and tradition to Nazrul Islam's literacy

works and analyzed the poet's works on the Holy Qur'an, the prayer, the Fasting, the Hajj and Zakat.

Dr. Md. Abdur Rahim Mukul in his article on "আরবি ব্যাকরণ প্রণয়নের পটভূমি এবং এতে বিদেশি প্রভাবের দাবি: একটি বিশ্লেষণ (The Background of Arabic Grammar Formation and the Claim of Foreign Influence on It: An Analysis)" argues that the interaction between the Pre-Islamic Arabic and the non-Arabian Arabic endangered the classical purity of the language. In this article, the author tries to explain the originality, authenticity and uniqueness of Arabic grammar by refuting the wrong arguments of the orientalists.

The article on "নবি মুহাম্মদ সা.-এর জীবন-দর্শন ও সমকালীন বিশ্ব (The Philosophy of the Life of Prophet Muhammad (SAAS) and the Contemporary World)" highlights the Prophet's work in various fields of human activities and the success he attained. He concludes that by following his teachings and ideas present day maladies could be removed and the world could be a safe place of living.

Besides the research papers, this volume contains reviews of four books, translation work of an Islamic scholar and a conference report. We are grateful to the authors for their valuable contributions to *Bangladesh Journal of Islamic Thought (BJIT)*. We extend our thanks to the members of the editorial board for their support. We are especially grateful to the officials of BIIT for their cooperation in the publication of this volume.

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