

## **SCIENTIFIC THINKING APPROACH IN THE HOLY QURAN AND ITS EDUCATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION**

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**ABSTRACT-** The Holy Quran is the only book which is existing in its real shape because Allah Almighty has promised to protect it. This book was revealed on the Holy Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W.). It is consisted of 6666 verses; among them 1000 verses relate to scientific thoughts. Before advent of the Holy Prophet, Muhammad, nominal scientific progress was made. All scientific inventions were occurred after revelation of the Holy Quran because most of the Scientists conducted research on the basis of Quranic knowledge. The objective of this research is to investigate “Scientific Thinking Approach” of Holy Quran and benefits of its implementation in Education Sector. For this purpose, we selected Quranic verses relating to Quranic Scientific Approach and analyzed their practical values. We used textual technique and sensory Quranic approach for analysis. We conclude that more inventions may be made by conducting research on the Quranic scientific topics.

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

### **1.1 Scientific Thinking Approach**

The definition of scientific thinking Approach is knowledge seeking.

According to Professor Danna Kuhn of Columbia University (2010):

“Scientific thinking is something people do, not something they have.”

Thinking is an important part of human minds. With powers of thinking you can achieve your target. Education is a key to empower your personality and to highlight your skills to the world. Scientific thinking includes determining means of testing specific ideas to prove them true or false. In many cases, people who think in a scientific manner are able to devise experiments to test hypothesis to determine which, if any, are true. Scientific thinking implies putting aside any illusion or bias. Sciences, such as Chemistry, Physics or Biology, progressed well after fully adopting the scientific way of thinking. (Hand book of Childhood Cognitive Development, Black well [2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. 2010)

Quran is the Holy book for the Muslims sent by Allah Almighty to the Holy Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W.W). about 1438 years back. It is a complete book in all respects having knowledge and information about each and every aspect of life, every nation, and every strata of life, every field and every domain. Holy Quran is the basic source of knowledge and information because it is revealed by Allah Almighty and He is the custodian of it. It gives solution to every problem faced by human being throughout the human history.

Science is said to be the mother of all knowledge and Holy Quran provides the basic knowledge of science. Scientific thinking is one of the problem solving approach and Holy Quran promotes this approach. According to the Gorge Sarton, the historian, the most important approach in the history of Islamic era was the Arabic

language and most of the books in Medicine, Earth, History, Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Science were written in this language.

Question, discussion, induction, experiment, sight, measurement, meditation, journey and research, all of these are approaches and these all approaches are connecting with one cadre which is called the scientific thinking approach in Holy Quran.

Holy Quran is not a theory that deals with hypothesis. But it is an approach that deals with realities. It is Allah Almighty's approach that deals with natural laws, faithful values and scientific thinking. There are 6666 verses in Holy Quran. Among them 1000 verses are about scientific thinking. In these verses Allah Almighty urges, the human being to think about all kinds of things that He has made for the welfare of human beings with His special thinking.

### **1.2 Educational Approach of Holy Quran**

Allah Almighty says in the first verse of Holy Quran:

“Read in the name of thy Lord and Cherisher who created” (Alaq: 1)

The word “Read” in this verse is the key of scientific approach in Islam for all Sciences. Through this word “Read” Allah Almighty gives His message to human being that knowledge is the first priority for the better and welfare of the society. This word carried all the meanings of Science, Knowledge and Education. Quran urges human being to observe different aspects of nature existing on the earth and in the heaven and think over their formation. Allah Almighty says,

“Say! Behold all that is in the heavens and on the earth” (Younas: 101)

He says in another verse:

“Say; Travel through the earth and see how Allah has created it” (Ankabut, 20)

According to the Holy Book of Quran the practical experiment is the best way to convince. Among the revealed Books, Quran is the only Book in the world

that mentioned the scientific experiments as done by the experimental science in the modern world. Allah Almighty revealed the truth of life after death to Hazrat. Ibraheem who asked Allah Almighty to show him how He (Allah) gives life to the dead. Allah Almighty asked him to make a practical experiment by himself to be sure and convinced.

Allah Almighty says:

“Behold! Abraham said: My Lord shows me how Thou gives life to the  
Dead” (Baqra: 260)

### **1.3. Scientific Approach of Holy Quran**

Quran’s approach is the best approach that fulfills all basic needs of the Science. Quranic approach urges the people to get scientific knowledge with experiments. This approach got Europe from the Muslims of Middle Ages.

Bernad Louise says, “Europe has learnt from the Arabs a new method of research which preferred reason to authority and calls it experimental research. It laid the foundation and beginning of the Renaissance.”

Al-Jandi, Abdul Haleem (1984) wrote in his book “The Quran and the Contemporary Scientific Approach, Dar Al-Marif Cairo P9” that

“Basically science is an approach or an organized system to see the things and understanding the world. The scientific thinking is about knowing method of research of science and accumulating scientific information”.

### **1.4. The Concept of Approach**

Science is a methodological knowledge based on planning and organization, i.e. method is the invariable element in every scientific knowledge; So, it is the knowledge of change. In scientific method we improve the results of the figures. The scientific approach starts with the stage of the organized observation of the physical

phenomenon to be researched. This observation helps of selection the procedure. The method can be checked from different angles, according to the interest of the scientist. Observation has become a very complicated process although it has vast information. Different tools are used to collect the information about observation. Observation is the first step of scientific experiments. The next stage of observation is experiment where phenomena are put under specific circumstances, with some sort of variation. Physical sciences began its first observational stage in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, and two centuries later, they moved to the second stage.

### **1.5. Concept of Scientific thoughts in Holy Quran**

The Holy Quran is complete book of knowledge. It was revealed to the Holy Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W.W) during 23 years period with certain intervals. The Holy Quran urges the people to examine Allah Almighty's wonders in the Heaven and Earth. Allah Almighty created the universe for thinking, a book for knowledge and evidence for the system. The modern science knew a little about Heaven and Earth. This little knowledge was embedded to the human mind. (Shadeed, Muhammad (1982) "The educational approach of the holy Quran", Al-Resaleh Foundation Cairo, p 110)

The scientist Bilven in his book "science looks at the sky" states that

"The Universe is more spacious than we imagined and the four parts of the universe is rushing away at an alarming speed".

Allah Almighty says:

"With power and skill did We constructed the firmament, for it is We are, who created the vastness of space? ( Zariyat: 47)

Sir William Hershal proved that the pattern drawn by nature on the skin of the finger tips identifies people and shows their individuality in 1858. In 1877 Dr. Henry Faulds

invented the method of pressing the inked fingers on cards. In 1892 Sir Francis Galton proved that finger prints remain the same throughout a person's life time without change. Allah Almighty sent down the Holy Quran completely for the human being to control the systems of the universe.

### **1.6 Objective of the Study**

The objective of this study is

- (i) To specify Quranic Verses, classify them, analyses them by illustrate the Islamic Scientific Approach.
- (ii) To suggest how this approach is beneficial for the researcher in finding a modern Islamic Educational Theory.
- (iii) To prove that there is a strong relationship between Science and Religion.

### **1.7 Research Questions**

This study will explore the answers to the following research questions.

- (i) What are the different phases of Quranic Scientific Thinking?
- (ii) Do the different aspects of the Scientific Thinking differ due to difference of the scientific topics mentioned in the Holy Quran?
- (iii) What are the benefits of Educational Implementations of these aspects in contemporary Scientific Curricula?

To answer the above questions, the authors will conduct the research based on the following steps:

- (i) Studying Quranic Verses that relate to Scientific Facts.
- (ii) Searching solution of scientific problems from Holy Quran in order to draw the attention of Muslims' and non-Muslims to Holy Quran thoughts..
- (iii) Benefitting from the Scientific Approaches that can be created from specific Quranic verses relating to science.

(iv) Highlighting the fact that Holy Quran is full of Scientific topic on which further research can be conducted.

(v) Measuring the impact of Holy Quran on forming the Scientific intellectual approach and discarding the speculative, mythical Thinking Approach.

### **1.7 Scope of Study**

This study “Scientific Thinking Approach in Holy Quran and its Educational Implementation” will provide a good relationship between Science and Holy Quran. Holy Quran has the best knowledge of past, present and future. This is the book that is sent by Allah Almighty, containing all types of knowledge such as General Science, Mathematics, Astronomy, Biology, Physics, Chemistry and History etc. Holy Quran is the only book that is useful and beneficial for all religions and all ages. It is now our duty to get knowledge from it and use this knowledge for the betterment of mankind.

## **2. RESEARCH LITERATURE**

### **2.1 Definition of Thinking Concept**

According to Al-Muahsiby

“everything has an essence; the essence of man is his mind”.

Al-Ghazaly, Abu-Hamid describes, “The mind is the source and the foundation of Science. It is like the light to the sun and the sight to the eye.”

About mind different philosophers have different views. Some take understanding and brain as mind but others regard heart as mind.

Al-Qurtabi describes “Mind is knowledge; there is no knowledge without mind and no mind without knowledge (i) Ibad (P-66)

Al-Safi'y explains in his book "Al-Zamakhshary" that "Mind is a tool of discrimination".

Allah Almighty says,

"Indeed there are signs for the wise person." (Baqra: 164)

Quran is not the book of Science but it is the book of signs. It does not deal with Chemistry, Physics, Biology or Astronomy but it analysis the theories of Science. Quran contains valuable material for research and investigation. Quran describes the creation of heavens and the earth in many verses. About the sequence of the night and day, there are many verses in the Holy Quran. Quran's style goes with human's nature. Quran is considered the book of nature, open for man to read and learn.

According to the Holy Quran Man passes through the following stages; dust, Adam, Eve, Al-Nodfa, Al-Modgha, Al-Janeen, the child, the man, old age, death or revival. Man is created form dust and he does return to dust.

Allah Almighty says,

"From the dust of earth did We create you, and into it shall We return you, and from it shall We bring you out once again". (Ta-Ha:55)

Al-Kasis Karil (1980), in his book: The Man Who is Unknown, says that observing thins is the modest kind of Science which is the descriptive one while the natural laws can be received. When Science is dealt with spiritually, Science cannot confirm or reject any theory about man's existence. So, the human mind is based on faith not Science. (Karil, Ale Kasis (1980) the Man who is Unknown, Al-Ma'arif Libery, Beirut, Labnan)

Allah Almighty says,

“Do they not travel through the land, so that their hearts (and minds) may thus learn wisdom and their ears may thus learn to hear truly it is not their eyes that are blind, but their Hearts which are in their breasts” (Hajj: 46)

This verse indicates that “blindness” is in the heart. So, there is sight and insight. Sight through the eyes, and insight through the heart. The great discoveries are not just products of mind. Knowledge is attached to mind and heart. The heart is the place of knowledge (Karil, Aleksis (1980).

The majority of Muslim Scientists agreed that heart in Quran refers to mind since mind is one power of heart and heart is the place of mind. Heart receives the information through senses. So it could be that mind is a helpful factor to heart that is familiar from heart.

The famous Arab geologist Dr. Zaghlool Raghieb Al-Najjar says, (in his lecture: Man and universe) “Sun is the only star in solar system. The stars we see in the sky are, in fact, sun far away from us. Sun is a moderate star among the other stars. Its semi diameter is about 1393400 kms. Its mass is about  $2000 \times 10^{24}$  tons that is 335 thousand times that of the earth’s mass. Its density is about one and half time that of water that is quarter of the earth’s density. The sun has the greatest gravity. Due to this its particles are pulled towards its center and this causes big pressures that cause a rise in its temperature. The sun has big size and mass. The increase in its mass leads to a complete change in its behavior. It has specific mass and size. So it has lighting due to its specific shape. This leads to the nuclear fission which produces nuclear power.

The sun has about 6000 temperatures in its outer surface. It is proved through analysis that the sun and the earth have the same elements with different portions.

Most of the part of the sun has hydrogen. The sun is in continuous expansion; otherwise it would burst like bomb. The sun loses about  $508 \times 10^{21}$  energy in one second. It has been measured that after 5000 million years from now the sun's lighting will be doubled, one thousand times and its size will increase one hundred times, 15 thousand years from now, the sun will be converted into "the white stars". At that time, it will have no light.

To understand Quran we should understand the particles of the things. The particles have symbols for the people. Man needs to know many things in detail.

Allah Almighty says,

"We have made the Night and the Day as two (of our) signs. The sign of the night have We observed, while the sign of the day We have made to enlighten you; that ye may seek bounty from your Lord, and that ye may know the number and count of the years. All things have We explained in detail" (Al-Isra: 12)

Allah Almighty says;

"Varily a Day in the sight of thy Lord is like a thousand years of your reckoning" (Hajj: 47)

In his book "Universe and Quranic Immutability Dr. Mansoor Mohammad Hasab EL-Nabi wrote "With due respect and appreciation to the endeavors of commentators; I hereby present a universal Scientific explanation to the sensual light of God in our world in the solar system. An interpretation appropriate to the greatness of the light mentioned in the Holy Verse. (Hasab, El-Nabi Mansoor, (1981). The Universe and the Quranic Scientific Inimitably, Cario, Egypt)

### **3. Scientific Approach of Holy Quran**

#### **3.1 The Sensory Approach**

The Holy Quran encourages the human beings to search the knowledge of science through experimentation, investigation and inference. Thus it comes to terms with the methodology of science in the treatment of different phenomena. The proof for that is God is utterance.

Allah Almighty says,

“Say; Behold all that is in the heavens and on earth; but neither signs nor Warner’s profit those who believe not” (Younis: 101).

It means to understand the signs of Allah Almighty it is mandatory that one must have faith in His existene.

Allah Almighty created the mountains that keep earth from disorders.

Allah Almighty says,

“With power and skill did We construct the firmament; for it is We who create the vastness of space” (Zariyat: 47)

In his book “Elevations of Astronomy” the scientist Fred Holy wrote that if the distance between galaxies increases, it leads to the increase in the rate of moving away depending on Doppler phenomena “Red Deviation”. It was estimated that some of these galaxies move away from us with a speed of 80,500 kilometers per second.

#### **3.2.Importance of Observation**

Allah Almighty says,

“Behold! Abraham said: My Lord show me how thou givest life to the dead.

He said: Dost thou not then believe? He said: Yea! But satisfy my own understanding. He said: Take four birds; tame them to turn to thee; put a portion of

them on every hill, and call to them. They will come to thee (flaying with speed)  
then know that God is exalted in power, wise” (Baqra: 260)

In this verse, Hazrat Ibraheem wanted to learn how God is going to re-animate the dead people and Almighty Allah tell them the procedure to follow and himself see the enliven of dead birds. This example is for the whole mankind to believe in Almighty Allah and his power of enliven the dead.

#### **4. RESEARCH APPROACH OF THE HOLY QURAN**

##### **4.1 Approach built on Question**

Allah Almighty says:

“Nor come nigh to Adultery for it is a shameful (deed) and evil opening to  
the road (to other evils)” (Al-Isra: 32).

It means adultery is a shameful act and it leads to other evil deeds. It is advised the Muslim to refrain from adultery or moving in the night for this purpose.

Allah Almighty prohibited misconduct and considered it as one of the greatest sins after impiety, idolatry and killing. Islam is so strict about misconduct because of its dangers and evil consequences that hang over Islamic community.

In the early age of Islam Muslims knew only the danger relating to dignity and honor, they did not care about, or to be more exact. They were ignorant of venereal diseases. Venereal Diseases caused by misconduct are many. Syphilis Blennoragie come at the top of the list. (Ibn-e- Yousaf, Idris, (1986) The Holy Quran and the Modern Medicines, First Edision Al-Najaf New Print Casablanca).

Dr. Idrees Bin Yousaf (1986) writes in his book “The Holy Quran and Modern Medicine” about the symptoms of syphilis; All organs of the body are value able to the death of cells and consequently to its falling after local decay and

rotteness. Thus, the nose suffers from gradual, and its flesh falls gradually leaving a hole. Ears suffer from dangerous inflammation”.

Allah Almighty also prohibited use of Alcohol because it is harmful for the body of the human beings. Alcohol affects the liver. Medical scientists can confirm this fact by conducting research on the harmful effects of alcohol.

#### **4.2.The Approach built on Swearing**

Allah Almighty says:

“By the firmament which returns (in its round), and by the Earth which opens out (for the gushing of springs or the sprouting of vegetation)” (Tariq: 11-12)

It is fact when God swears someone it means that this creature is of great importance. God has sworn at earth many times, in this way Allah Almighty has sworn many times for many things to reflect their importance. Now Science has discovered that earth is a great ball. It is made of many hot and cold metals. In certain circumstances some of the metals possibly move on to others.(Koush, suleman (1987). Modern Scientific Discoveries & their implications in the Holy Quran; Dawha. P:144).

#### **4.3.The Approach built on Signs**

This method depends on inspiration.

Allah Almighty says,

“Have We not made the earth as a wide expanse, And the mountains as  
pegs?” (Nabaa:6-7)

In another verse, Allah Almighty also says,

“And the earth We have spread out (like a carpet); set there on mountains  
firm and immoveable” (Hijr:19)

Allah Almighty says another place,

“He created the Heavens without any pillars that ye can see; He set on the earth, mountains, standings from lest it should take you”. (Luqman: 10).

Earth, mountains, stars, sun and other things created by the Almighty Allah are the signs for the wise persons to believe in His existence and learn that these things are beyond the reach of human beings to produce.

#### **4.4. Approach built on Encouraging Research and Discovery**

Allah Almighty says in the Holy Quran:

“And made the night as covering. And made the day as a means of subsistence” (Nabaa: 10-11)

Allah Almighty says in another place,

“He it is that cleaveth the day-break (from the dark): He makes the night for rest and tranquility, and the sun and the moon for the reckoning (of time): such is the judgment and ordering of [Him] the Exalted in power the Omniscient”

(An'am: 96)

Allah Almighty has made the day for earning and night for rest. According to the scientists a healthy man should sleep 6 to 8 hours to remain fit and healthy. The sleep at night is best for health.

### **5.RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN RESEARCH APPROACH AND SCIENTIFIC THEORIES**

#### **5.1. Bees and Honey**

Allah Almighty says,

“And Thy Lord inspired the bee, saying: choose thou habitations in the hills and in the trees and in that which they thatch; There cometh forth from their bellies a drink diverse of hues, wherein is belling for mankind Lo! Here in is indeed a portent for people who reflect” (Nahl:68).

Honey is considered as a complete medicine for many diseases.

Allah Almighty has ordered bees to collect the honey from different flowers, different plants and different places. Its taste is due to the places where it is grown.

Scientists in Pakistan proved that bees follow many ways to collect the honey. They go flower to flower and plant to plant for this purpose. So, they collect honey for the betterment of mankind. These ways have been mentioned in the Holy Quran.

Honey has cured almost many diseases. Now, the scientists proved that honey is best food too.

N. Lorsh said, “honey masks and its ointments have an excellent influence on the skin. It makes it more active, flourish, smooth and vital”.

The famous surgeon Alberts, (1965) stopped all other medicines in his hospital and depended on curing wounds by using honey in the field of surgery.

It is proved medically that honey is the most beneficial medicine for heart patients. Now, honey is use for eye diseases and G.I.T (Gastro intestinal tract).

Honey is used as antibiotic in most of the medicines. It is also useful for wounds and cuts. It is very useful food for the human beings. It goes into blood quickly. It is easily absorbed. The formula of honey is  $C_6H_{12}O_6$ .

The composition of honey is as follows.

Sugar = about 76%, Water = 18% and other ingredients = about 6%

Sugar in honey is found in three types.

The fruit sugar (Fructose) = 41%

Grape sugar (Glucose) = 34%

Ordinary sugar = 1% to 2%

There are about 3.68% minerals are found in honey. Proteins, acids, vitamins and oils are also found in honey sugar.

Honey contains many vitamins like B2, B6, Folic acid and potassium that are necessary for functioning of human body. Honey is beneficial for stomach acidity.

The head of Britain Bees Research Society Dr. Heinmann in London published a book in 1975. After completing the book, she wrote the above biological properties and its medical advantages of Honey.

## **5.2. Universe**

Allah Almighty says:

“We made from water every living thing, Will they not them believe?”

(Anbiyaa: 30).

The French scientist Renie Caution who was specialized in “Marine Sciences” describes that the first living cell in the world emerged from the sea. (Raslan, Saladin 1985), The Holy Quran; methodological vision, The Orient Renaissance bookshop (Cairo.P-86).

Scientific analysis of human body is as under: -

Embryo at birth has water 85%.

Female body contains water 65%.

Male body contains water 75%.

### **5.2.1 Plantation and Growing**

Allah Almighty says,

“And (further), thou seest the earth barren and lifeless, but when We pour down rain on it, it is stirred [to life], it swells, and it puts forth every kind of beautiful growth (in pairs)” (Hajj: 5).

It is proved in experiments that soil has thousands pores in it. These pores contain air, when water reaches on soil, it penetrates into these pores so atoms of soil move to

and from, so their sizes increase. This movement and increase in size have been measured. This means that the size of land increases after receiving rainfall.

### **5.2.2 Ripe Dates**

Allah Almighty addresses Mary (Peace be upon her) when she was to deliver by saying;

“And shake towards thyself the trunk of the palm tree. It will let fall fresh ripe dates upon the. So eat and drink and cool (thine) eye” (Maryam:25-26).

We know about these verses that Allah Almighty gave the food of ripe dates to Hazrat Maryam which is full of amino acids, proteins and sugar.

### **5.2.3 The Sphericity of the Earth**

Allah Almighty says,

“He makes the Night overlap the Day, and the Day overlap the Night”  
(Zummar:5).

Day and the Night come after each other. Neither Day nor Night catches to the other.

“The Night overlap the Day” and “The Day overlap the Night” is an overt statement on the sphericity of the earth, and in showing the reality of Night & Day similar to what is known about them in physical geography.

### **5.2.4 Quran & Astronomy**

There are many verses in the Holy Quran about universe & Astronomy. The Holy Quran urges the people through invitation to contemplate the creation of the universe. Man tried to explain this existence in which he exists, in the past. He thought about time, days and hours of the years and linked it to heavens like sun, moon and stars movement. There are many verses about the kingdom of Heavens. All the components of the heavens have symbols of the dignity of Allah Almighty.

Allah Almighty says,

“Behold all that is in the heavens and on earth” (Yunus:100).

Allah Almighty says again,

“Seest thou not that Allah makes the clouds move gently, then joins them together, then makes thorn into a heap? Then wilt thou see rain issue forth from their midst. And He sends down from the Sky Mountains masses (of clouds) where in is hail. He strikes there with whom He pleases and He turns it away from whom He pleases. The vivid flash of His lighting well-nigh blinds the sight” (Noor: 43).

Allah Almighty makes the wind along the scattered clouds. After that the clouds join and combine in a vertical way due to the vertical direction of air current until they reach a thickness of 15 kilometers.

Hazrat Muhammad [S.A.W.] went to the last sky to meet Allah Almighty on Rajab-27, 6 Nabvi, fourteen hundred years ago. Someone asked the question to Hazrat Muhammad (S.A.W), “How did you see earth while ascending into sky?” He replied, “I saw it like a ring thrown into a vast wilderness”.

American astronaut, Yuri Gagrine went to the moon on July 1969. He was asked, “How did you see earth?” He told, “I saw it like a coin thrown into a sea”.

Allah Almighty says,

“And the sun, runshis cause for a period determined for him; that is the decree of (Him) the exalted in might the All-knowing” (Yaseen:138).

Every object in space travels in its own orbit and does not on a straight line. Objects move in an oval orbit that do not change their path unless Allah Almighty the Creator of planets, earth, skies and what lies between them wants them to.

Allah Almighty says,

“It is He who created the Night and the Day, and the sun, the moon; all (the celestia bodies) swim along, each in its rounded course” (Anbiyaa: 33).

The Holy Quran describes that planets travel in space in curved. Allah Almighty is also telling us that travelling in space will be in round orbits and not in straight lines. The scientific discoveries confirm that straight lines do not exist in space.

The concept of stars and planets that scientists proved now. It is proved by The Holy Quran more than fourteen hundred years ago.

## **6.IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION FROM QURANIC VIEW**

### **6.1 Quranic verses regarding Education, Learning, Knowledge and Creativity**

The first verses of Holy Quran started with the word. “Read, read in the name of Thy Lord who created; [He] created the human being from blood clot. Read in the name of Thy Lord who taught by the pen. [He] taught the human being what he did not know.” [96:1-5]

Holy Quran says in another place, “Are those who have knowledge equal to those who do not have knowledge?” [Quran 39:9]

Holy Prophet [S.A.W] has also emphasized the importance of knowledge in different places.

[i] “Seek knowledge from the cradle to the grave.”

[ii] “Seeking of knowledge is a duty every Muslim.” [Ahmad]

[iii] “Wisdom is the lost property of the believer; he should take it even if finds it in the mouth of a non-Muslim.”

Holy Prophet (MPBUH) told the importance of knowledge with examples. At the battle of Badr, in which our beloved Holy Prophet [S.A.W] gained victory over his foes, seventy people of the enemy were taken to prison. These prisoners were literate. In order to benefit from their education, the Prophet declared that if one

prisoner teaches ten Muslim children how to read and write, this will serve as his ransom and he will be set free.

Our beloved Holy Prophet Hazrat Muhammad [S.A.W] encouraged all Muslims to acquire knowledge and share it. He said: “Acquire knowledge, for he who acquires it in the way of Allah performs an act of piety; he who speaks of it, praises the Lord; he who seeks it, adores Allah; he who dispenses instruction in it, bestows alms, and he who imparts it to other, performs an act of devotion to Allah.” [Bukhari, Muslim]

Holy Prophet [ S.A.W] says, “The ink of the learned man is holier in Allah’s eyes than the blood of martyr.”

“The life of this world is only the enjoyment of deception.” [ Quran 3:185]

“Worship none but Allah and be dutiful and good to parents, and to mankind and to orphans, and the poor, and speak good to people, and establish prayer and give zakat.” [ Baqara :83]

Quran is the only book where the author is in love with the reader.

“Speak justice.” [Quran 6:152]

“If you are grateful, I will give you more.” [Ibraheem :7]

“No person knows what he will earn tomorrow.” [Sura Luqman :34]

“The life of this world is only the enjoyment of Deception.” [Quran 3:185]

## **7.Conclusions**

The only holy book which is in its original shape is the Holy Quran revealed upon Hazrat Muhammad [S.A.W] from Allah Almighty. Holy Quran is revealed in the period of 22 years 5 months and 14 days. Holy Quran is the only revealed book that shows the right path to the human beings. The progress of the world lies in studying and acting upon Holy Quran. Holy Quran is the book of guidance for whole

mankind. It is the last holy book revealed upon the last Prophet, Hazrat Muhammad [S.A.W.].It has the solution to every problem.

Allah Almighty says:

“This is the book [Quran], where if there is no doubt, guidance to those who are the pious.” [Al-Baqara :2]

The Muslims recite the Holy Book [Quran] daily to understand the message of Allah Almighty clearly.

The Holy Prophet, Muhammad (PBUH) said

“The best people of the world are those who recite Quran and understand it.” [Bukhari]

The Holy Quran describes the solution of every problem, every matter and answer to every question of daily life. Following the instructions of Holy Quran every man may succeed in his life. It is the miracle of Holy Quran that it can solve the problems in every age till the Day of Judgement. Quran will remain in its original shape till the day of Judgement. Human being succeeds by acting upon the teaching of Holy Quran.

## **8.RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Department in the name of “Holy Quran Research Department” should be established in every university and the students of different disciplines should be motivated to participate in the activities of the department.
2. The Quran may be translated into different languages of the world and its copies may be sent to leading libraries of the universities of different countries.
3. Conferences, seminars and symposium may be arranged by the Universities of Muslim countries to provide opportunities to Muslim scholars to exchange their research work.

4. Special awards and financial incentives may be granted to those Muslim scholars who devote their lives for conducting research on scientific issues mentioned in the Holy Quran.
5. Utilizing the modern technology when dealing with the scientific verses that talk about the human body, astronomy or space and so on.

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