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## "History of Quran:-"

The history of the Quran is the timeline & origin of the written & oral compilation and manuscripts of the holy book of Islam based on historical findings - spans several centuries, and forms the major part of the early history of Islam.

According to Muslim beliefs and Islamic scholarly accounts, the revelation of the Quran began in 610CE when the Angel Gabriel (believed to be sent by God) appeared to Muhammad in the Cave of Hira near Mecca, reciting to him the very first surah **Al-Alaq**. Muslims believe that Muhammad continued to have revelations until his death in 632CE.

## Traditional Islamic Beliefs:-

The Quran was revealed to Mohammed, a trader in the western arabian city of Mecca founded by the prophet Ibrahim, which had become a centre of an important trading centre.

The revelations started started one night during the Holy Month of "Ramadan" in 610 CE. When Mohammed at the age of 40 received the first visit from angel Gabriel.

## Experience of Revelation:-

"Sometimes it is revealed like the ringing of bell and sometimes the angel comes in the form of a man and i grasp whatever he says". [8]:[48]

How Quran was:-  
Revelation:-

According to the famous tradition collection of Mohammad,  
**Al-Bukhari**, Mohammad's wife - **Khadija** described that  
the first Quranic revelation occurred when angel Gabriel  
visited Mohammad and asked him to recite. Mohammad  
responded "I do not read  
or what am I to read?"

Gabriel pressed him until  
all the strength went out  
of me; thereupon he released  
me and said "Read!" This  
process was repeated three  
times and the third time,  
Gabriel said; "Read in the  
Name of Allah Almighty"

After this Mohammad  
continued to have revelations  
sporadically over a period of  
23 years, until shortly before  
his death in 11/632.

## Stages of Revelation:

In the process of revelation, the angel Gabriel used to come down from heaven from the variety of verses of Quran to deliver to the Prophet Muhammad.

The Gabriel actually brought the Quran with him and masters of unseen the details which Allah choose not to clarify to us. Perhaps they involve in this matter that may be difficult for human to understand the grasp. Allah Almighty says the Holy Quran was:-

"It is the Quran which we have divided into parts in order that you might recite all to the people at intervals".

The People after receiving revelation, would automatically memorize the verses that were revealed for them & to recite them whoever was in his company and order them to immediately write it down.

## "Introduction of Quran:-"

The Quran, romanized: al-Qur'an, is the central religious text of Islam, believed by Muslims to be revelation from Allah. It is widely regarded as the first work in classical Arabic literature. It is organized in 114 chapters (Surahs) which consists of (Verses).

### Holy Book of Islam:-

The Quran is the Holy Book of Islam. The Quran is considered by the Muslims to be "The Word of Allah". This book is claimed to be different from other religious text books.

### Language of Quran:-

It has been written only in Arabic for more than 1400 years ago but many

Muslims around the world do not understand, so the meaning of Quran is written in different languages so the reader can understand the Arabic words easily.

### Book from Allah Almighty:-

Muslims believe that the Quran was orally revealed by Allah to the final Prophet (P.B.U.H) through an Angel Gabriel incrementally over a period of some 23 years beginning in the month of **Ramadan** when Prophet was 40 and concluding in **632**, the year of his death. It has been written **1400** years ago but it is still in the same form not a single word change in it because its responsibility is taken by Allah Almighty.

## Doubtless Book:-

Holy Quran is the only single book on Earth which is free from any small kind of doubt as Allah Almighty explain & said in Quran.

"This is a book without any doubt, A guidance book for those who are for Allah Almighty."

## The Discernment:-

The Quran describes itself as "The Discernment" (al-furqan), "The Mother Book" (Umm al-Kitaab), "The Guide" (Huda), "The Wisdom" (Hikmat), "The Revelation" (Somelthing sent down, signifying the descent of an object from higher place to a lower place).

The term "Mus'haf" (written) is often used to refer to particular manuscripts but it is also used in the Quran to identify books.

## Partition of Quran:-

The Quran is divided into 114 chapters called Surah. The Surah are also known Madni or Macci Surah due to the place they were revealed. They are also divided through Manzil.

## Importance of Quran:-

Reading and reflecting over the Quran fulfill our Islamic duty. The Quran will be the proof for us on the day of Judgement. There is a huge reward for each letter you recite in Quran. Quran is the complete code for life. Thus we can conclude from this we have a solution of every problem which we are facing in our lives in the Holy Book Quran.

## "Compilation of Quran:-"

In the begining, Quran was recorded in form of memoizing the verses of Holy Quran. When it comes to the compilation of Quran it has been divided into specific parts and time in the list of where different Muslim rulers at different time made different compilation to make the compilation of Quran even more better & reliable.

### "Different Stages:-"

We will discuss the different stages of compilation of Quran throughout the Islamic history which has made it possible to view the real Quran in its present form.

## First Stage:-

During the time of last Prophet (PBUH): -

It was started in the life of Prophet (PBUH). In this stage the arrangement & order of Surah & Ayah were specified by the Prophet & the text was written down.

At this stage the Quran was not compiled into a single book. comparatively was available in separate sheepskin & was memorized in its entirety by several companions of last Prophet.

So the initial compilation was started in the life of last Prophet Muhammad (SAW). also told the order of verses and they were written accordingly.

## Second Stage:-

During the Reign of Caliph Hazrat Abu Bakar (RA)

The second stage of compilation took place during the caliphate of Hazrat Abu Bakar (R.A). In the Battle of Yamama a large number of sahaba, who had memorized Quran, were martyred. This became a source of quite concern for many companions of Prophet (PBUH) and they feared about the preservation of Holy Quran. Therefore Hazrat Umar (R.A) suggested to the caliph that the Quran should be collected and compiled in a single book in order to ensure its preservation. Hazrat Abu Bakar (R.A) liked the idea but was afraid because the Prophet (SAW) himself had never taken this step and he feared that this action might be considered a discrepancy from the. However, later on he had a change of heart and ordered Hazrat Zain Bin Saabit (RA) to be the chief scribe and work on

compiling the Quran in book form.

### Third Stage

During the reign of Caliph Usman (RA)

During the era of caliph Usman (RA) a serious issue to the recitation of Quran raised. Despite the text of Quran was universally accepted Arabs from the different parts of Islamic stage recited it according to their dialect. These presented two problems.

Everybody considered their dialect to be "correct".

"It was feared that if this went on, there will be no universally accepted version of Quran left."

Hazrat Usman (RA) requested Hazrat Hafsa (RA) to provide the earlier compilation so that more copies could be made out of it. He also formed a committee consisting of Hazrat Zain Bin Haaris and few other companions to make sure to produce more copies of the version in very same way.