



Editorial

In the new millennium, Muslim communities are moving to the revival after facing the social, political, and economic crisis of European colonialism over the past century and a half. A variety of contemporary issues is being presented by discussing the place of Islamic law in modern society, Islamic concept of vicegerent and human freedom, the connection of religion and public government, the nexus of religion and individual's economic behavior, social status of women and Islamic family law, the nature of international relations and Islamic concept of state, inter-communal and inter-faith relations and Islamic view point, as well as the rising trends of extremism among different sectors of Muslim society. *Al-'Ulūm Journal of Islamic Studies* (AUJIS) intends to examine diverse scholars' views on each of abovementioned issues in order to understand both commonalities and diversity in modern Islam.

In the name of modernity, Muslims need not have any extreme aversion to Islamic tradition because Islam was never a cause of any darkness or ignorance chapters in Muslim history as propagated blindly. As matter of fact, there were no dark ages in Islamic civilization, rather as you move back you will find the best time of Holy Prophet (PBUH). On the contrary, Islam was the root-cause of all goodness, love, kindness, and compassion that originated in Islamic civilization and from which not only Muslims, but also non-Muslims, benefitted over the ages. In a few dark pages of history, the problems thus were never Islam's, but rather Muslims' misconceptions and misperceptions. In present days, the same reality stands true for the latest conundrum from the perspective of the notions of Islamic traditions and modernity at all. Especially, Muslim philosophers should lead intellectual awareness drives in such a quality way that while adopting modernity people can understand how far to go, what to adopt, what to reject, where to stop, and what to contribute, and what not. This is possible modernization of Islamic traditions where manifestation will change but Islamic divine principles will retain as manageable proposition.

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