

CONTEMPORARY IJTEHAD AND SHAH WALIULLAH

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ABSTRACT

The paper explains shah Waliullah's point of view regarding 'Ijtehad.' In nutshell his view is the orders and causes of the Shahreh Hakeem be mediated over as to why such orders were promulgated. The Shariah neither aims at withdrawl of followers from worldly affairs nor their immersement in the material life rather its real goal is to develop a way inbetween the two extremes. The problems of the day have to be understood and solved in the light of 'ijtehad'. The ijtehad by the sahaba-e-Karam and great imams have to be utilized in response to the needs of time and instead of supporting the inertia in 'Faqhi Feroh' and sectarianism, the attention has to to be concentrated on 'Kitab-o-Sunnah'. This will lead to the realization of the goals of Shariah. Shah Waliullah wanted the new generation to acquaint with the modern thought as well as with the fruits of the latest knowledage. He also wanted to have Quran and Sunnah as the main source of their attention. They should develop thoughts so as to have new vistas to the thought alongwith teh development of knowledge.

عصر حاضر شاہ ولی اللہ اور اجتہاد

قرآن مجید جو منزل من اللہ ہے۔ اس کے اندر صاف و صریح الفاظ میں یہ اعلان مرقوم ہے۔ کہ اَللّٰهُمَّ
اَكْمَلْتُ لَكُمْ دِيْنَكُمْ وَاَتَمَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ نِعْمَتِيْ وَرَضِيْتُ لَكُمْ الْاِسْلَامَ دِيْنًا (ا)
آج کے دن میں نے تمہارے لئے تمہارا دین مکمل کر دیا ہے۔ اور اپنی نعمتیں تم پر تمام کر دی ہیں۔ اور اسلام