

# SA'DI AND HIS CONCEPT OF EDUCATION IN GULISTAN

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## ABSTRACT

Sheikh Sa'di was a very experienced and well-known persian poet. He travelled in several countries and saw, learnt, and heard many stories, events and causes and results. He also saw rise and fall of several rulers and dynasties. He was mindful of the important role of education in the development of a nation. He wanted to make the nation realize the importance of education. In several places, in Gulistan, he has touched on some important aspects of education. In this paper i have discussed these aspects.

## PROBLEM

The main subject of this paper is to discuss Sheikh Sa'di and his concept of education which he presented in his famous book Gulistan.

## METHOD

I am using "Sharh-i-Gulistan" By Muhammad Khazaili as a source book, While English translation by Francis Gladwin as a helping book.

**OBJECTIVE:** The objective of this work is to discuss the following :

1. Sheikh Sa'di's biography
2. his concept of education

## SA'DI SHERAZI

The name of Sheikh Sa'di is recorded differently as Musharraf al-Din or Muslih al-Din<sup>1</sup> ibn Abdullah. However, he is known by his pen name rather than his personal name. He was born at Shiraz in 580 AH/ 1184 AD<sup>2</sup> While an other report mentions the

<sup>1</sup> Muhammad Mudarris, Rayhanat al-Adab, p.33

<sup>2</sup> First Encyclopedia of Islam, Vol.7, under "Sa'di"