

Coins of shahrukh (808-850A.H-1405-1446A.D) khwarizm mint

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Abstract:

This research deals with a study and a publishing for seven pieces of Shah Rukh Khwarizm Mint coins that neither have been studied nor published. These pieces of coins are six dirhams stored at Hamburg University in Germany and one dirham stored at Hermitage Museum in Russia. In addition to other several pieces published in auctions and international catalogs.

The importance of the study lies in shedding light on Shah Rakh coins. Shah Rakh was the fourth sultan in for the Timurid state. After the death of Timurenk, Iran and lands beyond the river lived in commotion. Shah, son of Timurlenk, could rule his father's lands.

Shah Rukh is considered the most significant ruler in Tumirid period. He was portrayed as a courageous moderated ruler who liked peace and at the same time did not hate war. He did not follow his father's footsteps. He disregarded Yassa, an oral law code of Mongols, declared by Genghis Khan and modified by Timur to be called Tuzukat. He ordered to put the Islamic rules into practice.

His age was the best. He was fond of science and scientists. He was knowledgeable, fair, and religious. He was known for his good behavior and reputation. It was a golden age of culture, arts, beside policy.

Each one of the seven pieces was studied in particular including its shape, text, decoration, and textual analysis.

The coins are sorted by their types firstly dinar, secondly silver, thirdly copper. Each coin is described accurately. Then, we read and the text on it and record and analyze it. I explain the text and the decorations. At last, I clarify the unique qualities of each coin.

After that, I dealt with other models of these coins that are published for the first time, then, comes the models that were published before. The study ends with a conclusion about many results and charts. The research proved that the seven coins enriched Shah Rukh coins.

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