

Hadith Reciters in Cairo During Circassians Mamluks'era

A Study in the Endowments Documents

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Abstract:

-This study aims at casting the shadow on the reciters of the Honored Hadith and their role inside the scientific and religious institutions , Mosques and Sufi or Mystic Khankawa in Cairo during Circassians Mamluks' era (784 H / 923 H) in addition to the conditions of their choice to be employed in these institutions .

-The Reciters held prestigious and great rank at the city of Cairo and the Egyptian society as The Holy Qur'an Reciters came at the top of classification during the Mamluks' era followed by the Honored Hadith Reciters who had the same advantages as shown in the documents that to be a reciter , you should be a good person , pious , devout and good manners in addition to mastering the Arabic language's literature which were a basic requirements for the wanted reciters in order to work at this institutions at this time .

- Those Reciters had different missions inside these religious and scientific institutions such as teaching and reciting Hadiths to their students and the visitors of different Cairo's mosques beside reciting them inside Sufi Khankawa and tombs for their visitors at specified time throughout the week , Friday and different religious occasions under the conditions of the Endowments .

-It worthy mention that these reciters played some minor roles such as being witnesses among the litigants and coping different books in return for fixed sum of money.

Also, This research paper dealt with the salaries paid annually or monthly in addition to having more irextensions Ragab , Sha'ban and Ramadan in addition to formal and informal holidays .

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