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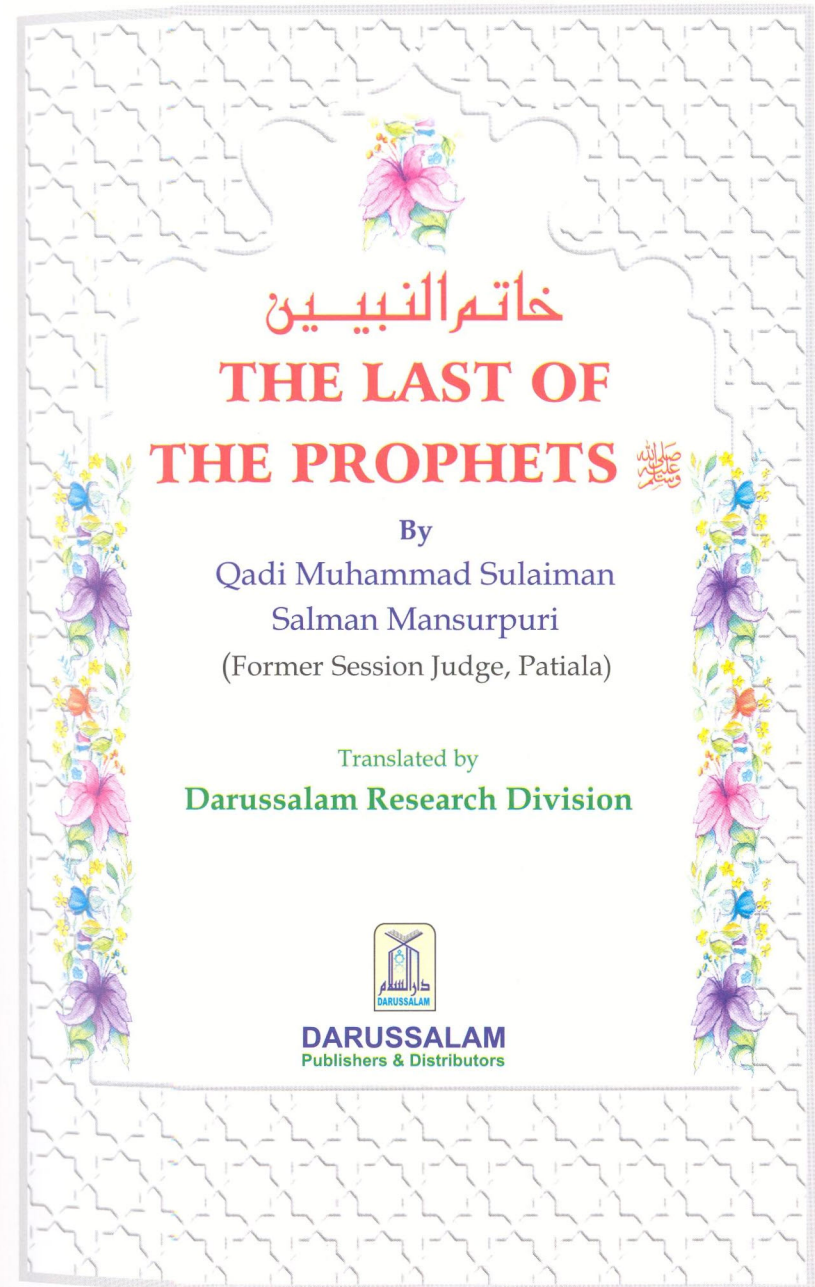
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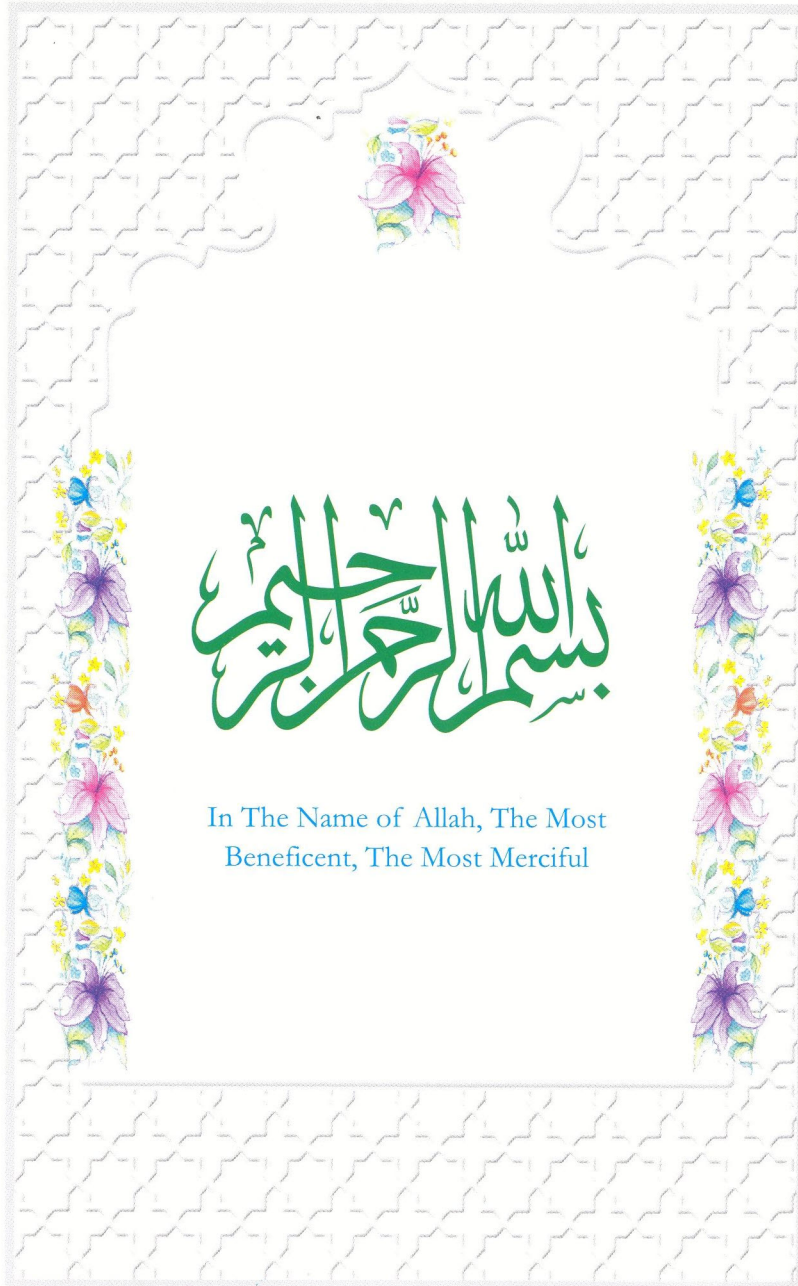
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Publishers Note

This book 'The Last of the Prophets' is a concise and authentic biographical sketch of the life of the Prophet ﷺ. This book was originally written by Qadi Muhammad Sulaiman Salman Mansurpuri by the title '*Muhr-e-Nubuwwat*' in the Urdu language, which is actually a summary of another of his famous books on the life of the Prophet entitled '*Rahmatul-lil-Âlamîn.*'

We have also published '*Ar-Raheeq Al-Makhtum,*' 'The Sealed Nectar,' which is a detailed study of the Prophet's life.

In order to introduce the many different aspects of the Prophet's life to the children, we have published this brief biography, which contains all the important events that took place in his life.

We recommend this book to both parents and schools and hope that it will contribute to the learning process of Muslim children.

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Introduction of the Author

Mansurpur, although a remote and unknown place in the State of Patiala, India is famous because a great scholar, Qadi Muhammad Sulaiman Salman Mansurpuri was born there. He wrote many interesting books on Islam but his major book is the biographical work of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ entitled "*Rahmatul-lil-Âlameen*" which is a book of great importance. It was appreciated by Muslim and non-Muslim readers all over the world. Salman Mansurpuri used to write this book sitting on the prayer-mat after praying the *Tahajjud* prayer. It was perhaps for this reason that a scholar who compared this book "*Rahmatul-lil-Âlameen*" with the book "*Seerat-un-Nabi,*" remarked that '*Rahmatul-lil-Âlameen*' is related to the heart while '*Seerat-un-Nabi*' is related to the mind. He had the power of the pen as well as the power of speech. His style of writing was clear and attractive. He also had the ability to impress his audience during his special supplications. He was a

man of good character. He was not interested in wealth. He had no greed or lust. He often participated in the annual meetings of religious institutions and Islamic societies.

Qadi Salman Mansurpuri used to deliver lectures on the Noble Qur'ân with great interest and fervour after the morning prayers, and thus finished the Noble Qur'ân seven times during his stay at Bhatinda, India.

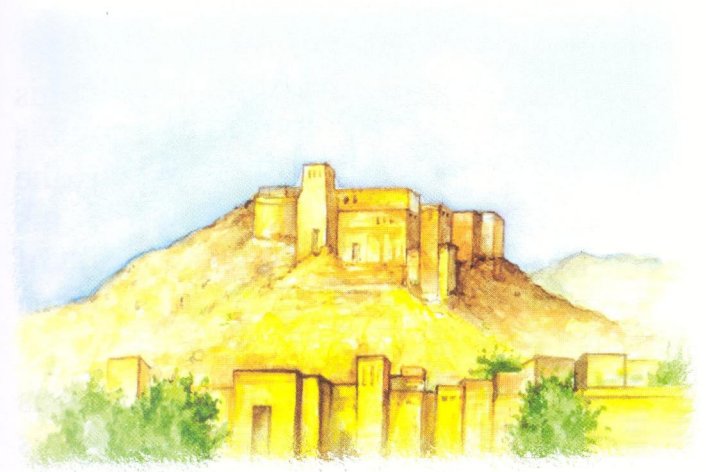
Qadi Muhammad Zahiruddin says that Salman Mansurpuri always encouraged young men to recite *Rabbi Zidni Ilma* (O Lord, increase my knowledge) and *Rabbish Rah Li Sadri...* (O Lord, open my heart...) Because he felt that it would help them increase in knowledge.

He died while on a return journey from his second pilgrimage to Makkah. His funeral prayer was led by Shaikh Syed Isma'il Ghaznavi and then his dead body was delivered to the surging waves of the ocean. He died in 1930.





And We have sent you (O Muhammad ﷺ) not but as a mercy for the all that exists. (21:107)



Biographical Sketch of the Prophet ﷺ

Our Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was the son of ‘Abdullah bin ‘Abdul-Muttalib bin Hâshim bin ‘Abd Manâf. His Family lineage goes back to ‘Adnân and ‘Adnân was the descendent of Prophet Isma‘il عليه السلام. Isma‘il عليه السلام, was the eldest son of Prophet Ibrâhim عليه السلام the friend of Allâh.

The Prophet ﷺ was born in Makkah, a town in Arabia, on the 9th of Rabi-ul-Awwal. His father had died before he was born. His mother passed away, when he was only six

years old. Her name was Âminah. After his mother's death he was looked after by his grandfather Abdul Mutalib. When the Prophet ﷺ was only eight years old, his grandfather also died. After the death of his grandfather his uncle Abu Talib became his guardian.

When Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was thirteenth years old, he accompanied his uncle on a journey to Syria. When Prophet Muhammad became a young man he worked as a merchant.

At the age of 25, he married Khadijah ﷺ. In the same year of his marriage a dispute arose over the construction of the Ka'bah. All the involved men asked him to help them solve the dispute, because Prophet Muhammad ﷺ was well known amongst the people of Makkah for his truthfulness and honesty. People used to call him as-Sadiq, which means the truthful, and al-Amin, which means the trustworthy.



First Nine years of the Prophethood

Muhammad ﷺ would spend his time thinking about his creator. He spent all of his time in a cave called Hira, on a mountain near Makkah.

When Prophet Muhammad ﷺ began to receive revelation from Allâh, he was forty years old. Within no time, four people who were very close to him accepted Islam. His wife Khadijah, his cousin Ali (who was 10 years old), his close friend Abu Bakr as-Siddiq and his slave Zaid bin Hârithah ﷺ.