Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Religious Affairs
and Interfaith Harmony

Subject: - SEERAT-UN-NABI (S.A.W.S) AND NA'AT BOOKS COMPETITION FOR THE
YEAR 1439 AH / 2017.

Ministry of Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony, Government of Pakistan, Islamabad hereby notifies the following competitions of books for the year 1439A.H / 2017.

(A) SEERAT BOOKS COMPETITION (Books or Reference Books on Seerat-un-Nabi (S.A.W.S) in National, International and Regional Languages of Pakistan)
   (i) Three prizes worth Rs.100,000/- Rs.75,000/- and Rs.50,000/- for books written in Urdu.
   (ii) One prize worth Rs.35,000/- in case of each Regional language of Pakistan.
   (iii) Three prizes worth Rs.50,000/- Rs.40,000/- and Rs.30,000/- for books on Seerat-un-Nabi written for children in Urdu.
   (iv) Books written on Seerat-un-Nabi (S.A.W.S) in the category of Foreign language (English & Arabic) Three prizes worth @ Rs.75,000/- Rs.50,000 and Rs.40,000/-

(B) NA'AT BOOKS COMPETITION
   (i) Three prizes worth Rs.50,000/- Rs.40,000/- and Rs.35,000/- for Na'at written in Urdu
   (ii) One prize worth Rs.35,000/- in case of each regional languages of Pakistan.

(C) BOOK COMPETITION FOR WOMEN ONLY
   Three prizes worth Rs.100,000/- Rs.75,000/- and Rs.50,000/- for books written by female scholars on Seerat-un-Nabi, Naat-e-Rasool (S.A.W.S) or on any general Islamic topic in Urdu or English language

(D) COMPETITION OF JOURNALS/MAGAZINES ON SPECIAL SEERAT OR NA'AT NUMBER
   Three prizes worth Rs.30,000/- Rs.25,000/- and Rs.20,000/- for publication of special numbers of Journals/Magazines on Seerat-un-Nabi (S.A.W.S) or Na'at.

(E) MAQALAT-E-SEERAT COMPETITION FOR MEN AND WOMEN
   There are three prizes worth @ Rs.35,000/- Rs.30,000 and Rs.25,000/- in the category of Maqalat-e-Seerat at National level both for men and women. Similarly three prizes i.e. worth Rs.25,000/- Rs.20,000/- and Rs.15,000/- in case of each Province and Azad Kashmir/Gilgal Ballistan / FATA / Federal Capital Territory (combined prizes) on the following topic:
TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

There are following terms and conditions to take part in this competition:

1. (A) All those books which have been written or published in the last four years from last date of this competition and have not been received at any stage previously for entry in any competition held under the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony are eligible for this competition.

(B) The author of the book or article should be alive.

2. The books should be comprehensive, based on research, having literary merit and supported by original sources.

3. The book on Na‘at should be in conformity with the injunctions of Islamic teachings.

4. The book should be an original work and not an anthology, rendition, translation or an interpretation in any form of a book published previously in any language or a copy of a published material.

5. The books/journals and articles containing errors in Quranic Verses and Ahadith or having portraits/images including title page of immoral living things or material conveying sectarian bias or showing lack of concern for the spirit of Islamic teachings or in the form of manuscript shall not be entertained.

6. Legible Seerat articles/papers, to be of one’s own efforts, should comprise minimum 15 and maximum 25 pages (4 A Size) only. Further the font of the letters and headings should be comprised 16 and 18 respectively while first page should be used for name of the theme, name of the researchers along with postal address and contact numbers. Articles beyond this limit shall not be entertained.

7. In all cases the amount of award/prize is liable to be increased or decreased according to the availability of funds, or in keeping with the standard of book/articles. The award or otherwise shall be final by the Apex Committee and no appeal whatsoever shall be allowed.

8. Provinces of article writers will be determined on the basis of their domicile and NADRA NIC. Attested copy of domicile and NADRA NIC must be provided by them for the purpose.

9. The employees of the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony, its attached and subordinate offices are not allowed to take part in the competition.

All those desirous to participate in the competition are requested to send (i) 10 copies of their books / journals etc and (ii) 05 copies of articles along with their complete bio-data, contact numbers along with attested copies of last degree domicile and national identity cards to the undersigned. Minimum qualification for writing an article is graduation and its equivalent and soft copy of the article may be sent through email at maliro.1971@yahoo.com latest by 28th April 2017.

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