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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this handlist is to make available the barest details of the mainly Arabic and Persian manuscripts acquired by the India Office Library between the time of publication of A.J. Arberry's article 'Notes on Islamic manuscripts recently acquired by the India Office Library' in Islamic culture vol. 13, no. 4 (October 1939) and the present. Full descriptive cataloguing of these works is in progress together with those in the Delhi collection which have not already been published, but as it is not likely to be completed for some time, this short handlist should be of some use meanwhile.

Details of some of the manuscripts in the handlist are already given in published catalogues1 in which case reference has been made to the relevant entry. The first few Arabic volumes, I.O. 4651-57, were described in draft by Arberry, and information on the Urdu items was supplied by my colleague Salim Quraishi. For Ismaili manuscripts in the Ivanow and Fyzee collections, Poonawala's bio-bibliography2 proved invaluable.

The form of each entry should be self-explanatory. Each description is preceded by the manuscript number. Occasionally reference has been made to other copies in the India Office Library collections (Delhi Arabic, Delhi Persian and Ethé). Proper names common in English, well-known place names and the names of the months have been given in their English forms without diacritics. Elsewhere the Library of Congress transliteration code has been used for all languages.

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1C. Shackle Catalogue of the Panjabi and Sindhi manuscripts in the India Office Library (London, 1977)
M.Z.A. Shakeb A descriptive catalogue of Persian documents in the Bat-ala collection (forthcoming)

2Ismail K. Poonawala Bio-bibliography of Ismāʿīlī literature (Malibu, 1977)
I.O. 4651 A collection of six Arabic works:

a al-Fuṣūl by ʿAbd al-Salām ibn Ghānim al-Maqdīṣī (d. c. 1279). A collection of mystical meditations. (ff 1r–25r line 17)

b Munājāt, by the same author, some of which occur at the end of Turūq al-waṣaʿīl. (ff 25r line 18 – 29r line 1)

c Fasıl fi mirāj al-Nābi. A chapter from an unspecified work on the ascension of the prophet Muḥammad. (ff 29r line 2 – 32v line 20)

d Qasīdah by ʿAlī ibn Makkūf. (ff 32v line 21 – 34r line 10)

e Extract from al-Targhīb fi ṣadāʾil ṭilāwāt al-Qurʿān by Naṣr Allāh ibn Jamāʿah ibn ʿAlī. (ff 34r line 11 – 36r line 2)

f Sharḥ ḥāl al-awliyāʾ by Ibn Ghānim. Mystical reflections in the form of addresses to the Companions etc. (ff 36r line 3 – 59r)

59 ff; 20 x 15 cm; copyist, ʿAbd al-Raḥmān al-Shaqqwānī al-ʿĀdilī; possibly 15th century. Arabic

I.O. 4652 Three Arabic works:

a Bulūgh al-arab bi-sharḥ Shudhūr al-dhahab by Abū Yaḥyā Zakariyāʾ ibn Muḥammad al-Anṣārī (d. 1520?). A detailed commentary on Shudhūr al-dhahab by ʿAbd Allāh ibn Yūsuf ibn Hishām (d. 1360). (ff 1r–80v)

b Risālah fī shaʿn mā fī-hi al-ibḥām min kalām al-Ṣūfīyāḥ by Marʿī ibn Yūsuf al-Maqdīṣī al-Ḥanbalī (d. 1624). Answers to questions relating to Sufi technical vocabulary and doctrines. (ff 81v–113r)

c Dafʿ al-shubhah wa-al-gharāʾ amman yaḥtajj al-ʿāl fī al-maʿāṣī bi-al-qadar by the same author. An attack on certain Sufi practices, written in 1032 (1623). (ff 114r–145v)

145 ff; 21 x 15 cm; copyist, (b, c) ʿAbd al-Ghafūr al-Jawhari; dated: (c) Ram. 1073 (1663). Arabic

I.O. 4653 Five Arabic tracts:

a An anonymous untitled work on Sufi ethics. (ff 2v–40r)

b Part of a work including (ff 44r onwards) a chapter headed Kitāb al-ʿilm. Copy lacks beginning and end. (ff 43v–67v)

c Kitāb sharḥ ʿajāʾib al-qalb min kutub ʾIḥyāʾ ʿulūm al-dīn. A compilation of extracts from al-Ghazzālīʾs ʾIḥyāʾ ʿulūm al-dīn. (ff 68r–123v)


e Silsilat al-khwājagān fī adab ʿubūdīyāt al-aʿyān. An account of the Naqshbandī order of Sufis by a pupil of Muḥammad Murād’s son, followed (ff 181–88) by various fragments. (ff 160r–178r)

188 ff; 21 x 14.5 cm; 1244 (1828). Arabic

I.O. 4654 Four Arabic works:

a Selected verses from the Qurʾān and prayers for the Prophet, followed by a Turkish ghazal (ff 7r). (ff 1Bv–7r)


c al-Risālah al-Naqshbandīyāh. A short account of the Naqshbandī order by an anonymous pupil of Muḥammad Maṣūm al-Fārūqī (d. 1669). (ff 39v–44r)
I.O. 4655  
*Risālat al-‘ubūdiyyah ʿalā mutābā‘at al-sunnah*. An anonymous treatise on the means of approaching God through the proper performance of the prescribed religious duties, written not later than the 13th century. 100 ff; 20.5 x 12 cm; copyist, Khalīl al-Fardī ibn Muḥammad; 1192 (1778). Arabic

I.O. 4656  
*Risālat al-wujūd ascribed to Shihāb al-Dīn ʿUmar ibn ʿAbd Allāh al-Suhrawardī* (d. 1234). 12 ff; 17 x 12 cm; 16th century? Arabic

I.O. 4657  
Seven Arabic works:

- **a** *Nuzhat al-arwāḥ* by Shams al-Dīn Muḥammad ibn Mahmūd al-Shahrazūrī (fl. 13th century). Fragment of a biographical work consisting of the last few folios only. (ff 3r-21r)
- **b** Extract from an unidentified biographical work. (ff 21v-26v)
- **c** *Risālah al-ʿarshiyah* by Ibn Sīnā, on the unity of God. (ff 27r-39v line 7)
- **d** *Fuṣūl al-thalāthah* by the same author. Treatise on the theory of causation. (ff 39v line 8 - 44r)
- **e** Collection of prayers ascribed to the prophet Muḥammad. (ff 44v-48r)
- **f** *Jawāhir al-muntathirah* by Muḥammad ibn Yaḥyā al-Qarāfī al-Miṣrī (d. 1601). A discussion of Maliki jurisprudence relating to the law of inheritance. (ff 51r-61v)
- **g** *Durar al-nafāʾis fī shaʾn al-kānāʾis* by the same author. On the illegality of Christians building new churches. Dated 2 Dhuʾl-Q. 1106 (1695). (ff 62r-77v)

77 ff; 18 x 13 cm; (a–e) 16th century, (f, g) c. 1695. Arabic

I.O. 4659  
Umm al-kitāb A 10th or 11th century work on Islamic doctrine and cosmogony written in the form of questions and answers. 137 ff; 21 x 14 cm; copyist, Qudrat Allāh Bayg; dated at Hunzah, 16 May 1932. Persian

I.O. 4660  
*Vajh-i dīn* by Nāṣir ibn Khusrāw (1004–88). A treatise on Ismaili dogma, customs, festivals etc. in 51 guftār. 245 ff; 17 x 12 cm; copyist, Muḥibb ʿAlī Qunduzī; dated Shaʿb. 929 (1523). Persian

I.O. 4661  
*Bīst risālah* by ʿAzīz ibn Muḥammad Nasafī (d. 661/1263). A collection of twenty short tracts on various Sufi and metaphysical subjects, partly resembling MS I.O. Delhi Persian 1198. The manuscript consists of:

- **a** an introduction (ff 4v-11v), followed by risālahs:
  - **b** dar maʿrifat-i insān (ff 12v-23r)
  - **c** dar tawḥīd (ff 23v-30v)
  - **d** dar ʾāfarīnash-i arvāḥ... (ff 31v-40v)
  - **e** dar mabdaʿ va maʿād bar qānūn-i ahl-i ḥikmat (ff 41v-49r)
  - **f** dar sulūk (ff 49v-58v)
  - **g** dar sharāʾīt-i chihlah va ādāb-i zikr guftan va dar ʿurūj-i ahl-i tasāvvuf (ff 59r-63v)
Sharh-i Gulshan-i rāz. An anonymous commentary on the Gulshan-i rāz by Maḥmūd ibn 'Abd al-Karīm Shabistarī. 79 ff; 20 x 14 cm; dated 23 Zu’l-Q. 1222 (1808). Persian

Sharh-i Gulshan-i rāz. Another commentary on the same work, by Muḥammad ibn Maḥmūd Dīhdār. 163 ff; 19 x 12.5 cm; mid-19th century. Persian

Sirāt-nāmah-i Shaykh Rūzbihān by Ibrāhīm ibn Rūzbihān. Two fragments of a life of Rūzbihān ibn Abī Naqīr Baqlī written around 1301 by his great grandson. 45 ff; 25.5 x 15.5 cm; possibly 15th century. Persian

Jawāhir al-āsrār by 'Alī Ḥamzah ibn 'Alī Malik Isfārā’īnī Ṣarī (d. 866/1461). A Sufi work on the interpretation of certain Qur’anic verses etc., written in 840 (1436). 277 ff; 24.5 x 16 cm; dated 6 Zu’l-H. 849 (1466). Persian

Hidāyat al-mukhlīṣīn by Mīr Ḥaydar Gujrātī Tīlah Mūūī. The biography of the Kashmiri saint Shaykh Ḥamzah Kashmirī (d. 1576), followed by his descent (shajarah) and several verses. 192 ff; 25 x 17 cm; dated 13 Chaitra 1919/1278 (1862). Persian

Gulzār-i Qādirī, a biography of Ghulām Qādīr Shāh and other Qadīrī Shaykhs by Raḥmat Allāh ibn ‘Abd al-Vahīd ibn Ghulām Muḥyī al-Dīn. 372 ff; 26.5 x 16 cm; incomplete at end; early 19th century? Persian

Maktūbāt by Rūḥ al-Amīn (d. 1047/1637). 127 ff; 29 x 20 cm; copyist, Ghulām Muḥammad; dated 9 Rāb. 1 1276 (1859). Persian

A calligraphic scroll containing prayers. 69 x 6 cm; bottom missing; decorated ‘unvān; 19th century? Arabic

The story of Amīr Ḥamzah, here ascribed to Abū Ṭāhir Tarsūsī (Ṭarṭūsī). c. 200 ff; 20 x 13 cm; leaves disordered and badly damaged; 19th century. Persian
I.O. 4671  Kitāb al-khayl, a philological treatise by Abū 'Ubaydah Ma'mar ibn Muthanna (d. c. 824). 68 ff; 25.5 x 16.5 cm; copied from a manuscript dated 353 (964) in the library of the Shaykh al-Islām at Medina; mid-19th century. Arabic

I.O. 4672  Qurrat al-adhān. An anonymous history of Nubia and Sudan. 40 ff; 26 x 17 cm; early 20th century? Arabic

I.O. 4673  al-Risālah al-wadī'ah fī ma'ālīm al-dīn. A treatise on Ismaili belief and worship by Hamīd al-Dīn Aḥmad ibn 'Abd Allāh al-Kirmānī (d. c. 1017). 132 ff; 9 x 14 cm; dated 15 Safar 1009 (1600), but parts added in a later hand. Arabic

I.O. 4674  Tārīkh-i farahbakhsh. A history of Fyzabad from 1179-1233 (1765-1817) by Muhammad Faygbakhsh ibn Ghulām Sarvar. 170 ff; 27.5 x 17 cm; early 19th century. Persian


I.O. 4676  Two Mughal documents:
    a Farmān of Shāh 'Alam II granting titles on Col. John Gerard, Bengal Army 1783-1808. 61 x 110 cm; seal and tughra of Shāh 'Alam; dated 2 Jum. II 1218 (1803). Persian (See Per. doc. II no. 13)
    b Nīshān of Prince Muḥammad Akbar Shāh (later Akbar Shāh II) granting Col. John Gerard a manšāb of 5000 zāt and 5000 savār, titles and a fringed palanquin. 42.5 x 67.5 cm; seal of Muḥammad Akbar; dated 14 Jum II 1218 (1803). Persian (See Per. doc. II no. 14)

I.O. 4677  Tarjumah-i Miftāḥ al-falāḥ by Jamāl al-Dīn Muḥammad ibn Ḥusayn Khvānsārī (d. 1714). A translation into Persian with notes and the original text of Miftāḥ al-falāḥ, a collection of Arabic prayers by Bahā' al-Dīn Muḥammad ibn Ḥusayn al-‘Āmulī (d. 1621). Ff 1Dv-256r; 18.5 x 11.5 cm; illuminated 'ūnvān and opening. Persian and Arabic

I.O. 4678  Two Mughal documents:
    a Nīshān of Prince Dārā Shikūh ordering food provisions for the army engaged on the Kandahar expedition. 25.5 x 33 cm; damaged; seal of Dārā Shikūh; dated 14 Muh. 1063 (1652). Persian (See Per. doc. II no. 3)
    b Nīshān probably issued by Prince Salīm (later Jahāngīr) addressed to officials in Jhanni pargana prohibiting unauthorised entrance to the fortress Rājgarh. 42 x 53.5 cm; damaged; part of a tughra preserved; c. 1587. Persian (See Per. doc. II no. 2)

I.O. 4679  Zād al-ma‘ād, Shi‘i prayers and devotions by Muḥammad Bāqir ibn Muḥammad Taqī Majlisī (d. c. 1699). 224 ff; 23 x 14.5 cm; copied apparently by the author in Isfahan in Ram. 1107 (1696). Persian
I.O. 4680 Ma'ārij al-nūbūvah, a life of the prophet Muhammad by Mu'īn al-Dīn Farāhī. Ff 11v–553v; 40.5 x 26 cm; illuminated opening; dated 1044 (1634). Persian

I.O. 4681 Address from the inhabitants of Benares written at the beginning of 1804 to the Governor General Marquis Wellesley in praise of the re-establishment of peace resulting from the successful campaigns against Sindia and the Raja of Berar. 24.6 metres x 24.5 cm; contains approximately 3000 seals and signatures; decorated heading and margins; 1804. Persian

I.O. 4682 Copies of letters of Tīpū Sultan of Mysore during the years 1789–93, a companion volume to MS I.O. Ethé 525 which covers the years 1785–87. 290 ff (excluding many blank leaves); 19.5 x 12.5 cm; annotations by William Kirkpatrick whose copy this was; copied c. 1800. Persian

I.O. 4683 A volume containing fifteen separate documents, mostly orders (ḥukmānāmah) and consultations of Tīpū Sultan. Several are in Tīpū's hand, and almost every one contains annotations by Col. William Kirkpatrick into whose hands they passed after the fall of Seringapatam in 1799. The documents comprise:

a Hukmānāmah ba-nām-i 'āmilān va sarishtahdārān-i āl va istiqbāl-i ta'alluqah-i Sīlam. 22.5 x 19 cm; Tīpū's seal; dated 17 Zu'l-Q. 1197 (1783). (ff 2v–8v)

b Hukmānāmah addressed to the 'āmils and sarishtahdārs of Zaffarabad. 20 x 14.5 cm; Tīpū's seal; dated 15 Ja'fari, Azal, 1198 (1784). (ff 10v–23Av)

c Qā'īdahhā-i sar dādan-i tūphā-i khushī..., Tīpū's regulations for the different salutes to be fired on ceremonial occasions. 31 x 30.5 cm; dated at Zaffarabad, 26 Hydari, Jalaw, 1199 (1785). (ff 24r–25v)

d Hukmānāmah addressed to the 'āmils and sarishtahdārs of Gulishanabad (Seringapatam). 29 x 20.5 cm; Tīpū's seal; dated 1 Ahmadi, Dalv, 1200 (1785). (ff 27r–50r)

e Hukmānāmah to the 'āmils and sarishtahdārs of Hukoth? (Sukkur?). 24 x 16.5 cm; dated 1 Ahmadi, Dalv, 1200 (1785). (ff 51r–74v)

f Hukmānāmah to the 'āmils and sarishtahdārs of Hukoth? (Sukkur?). 28.5 x 21 cm; Tīpū's seal; dated 1 Ahmadi, Dalv, 1200 (1785). (ff 75r–101v)

g Hukmānāmah addressed to the dārūghahs and mutasaddīyān for a survey of the country. 21.5 x 14.5 cm; dated 12 Khusravi, Sarab. 1217 (1789). (ff 102r–107v)

h Hukmānāmah addressed to the officer superintending the fortifications of Seringapatam. 21 x 15 cm; dated 14 Ja'fari, Sahar, 1220 (1792) with supplements of 16 Haydari and 13 Razi of the same year. (ff 108r–112r)

i Memorandum possibly partly in Tīpū's hand concerning his military and other establishments. 20.5 x 16 cm. (ff 115r–125v)

j Memorandum probably in Tīpū's hand concerning his cavalry establishments. 20.5 x 15 cm; dated 16? Ja'fari 1221 (1793). (ff 127r–129r)

k Consultations, partly in his own hand, of Tīpū Sultan with his ministers on Babr Jang's jāğīr, the return of his two sons taken as hostages, a proposed tour, the Mahdavis, and Dhūndījī Vāgh. 23
A similar collection of separate documents of Tīpū Sultan comprising:

a. A letter to Tīpū Sultan from Muhammad Makhdūm son of Lālah Miyān supplying information. 20.5 x 13.5 cm. (f 1)

b. Consultation between Tīpū and his chief ministers concerning recent news of relations with the French from Poona. 15.5 x 11 cm. (ff 3r-4r)

c. Memorandum by Tīpū stating his views on inter-departmental cooperation and unanimity. 16 x 11 cm. (ff 6r-17v)

d. Aḥkāmnāmah. 11 x 7.5 cm; copyist, Asad Anvar; Tīpū’s personal cypher; dated 6 Bahārī, Sahīr (1793). (ff 18r-28r)

e. Consultation between Tīpū and his ministers concerning the demolition of Bangalore. 16 x 11 cm;  Tīpū’s cypher; dated 18 Rabbānī, Sahīr, 1221 (1794). (ff 30r-32v)

f. Ḥukmnmāmah addressed to Mīr Mīrān Bādṛ al-Zamān Khān, Sayyid Muḥammad, Mīr Nasīr ‘Alī. 11.5 x 9 cm; Indian paper containing a tiger-shaped watermark; copyist, Muḥammad Rizā; dated 18 Rahmānī, Sahīr, 1221 (1794). (ff 34r-37r)

g. Consultation between Tīpū and his ministers. 14.5 x 10 cm; part dated 20 Ahmādī, Sahīr (1793). (ff 38r-46v)

h. Ḥukmnmāmah giving orders for casting three pieces of cannon. 10.5 x 8 cm; copyist, Muḥammad Rizā; dated 5 Haydārī, Rasīkh, 1222 (1794). (f 49)

i. Naqī Ḥukmnāmah-i jāsūsī, a copy of instructions on spying issued to the dārūghahs of messengers, couriers and the advance camp, and to nāyiks. 17 x 11 cm; copyist, Sayyid Ḥusayn; dated 5 Rabbānī, Shād, 1223 (1796). (ff 50r-53v)

j. Kayfīyat-i vilāyat-i Farānsīs̱. 15 x 10.5 cm; copyist, Muḥammad Rizā; dated 11 Ahmādī, Hirāsāt, 1224 (1796). (ff 55r-58r)

k. Consultation partly in his own hand between Tīpū and his ministers about information recently received from Poona. 14.5 x 11 cm; dated 15 Haydārī, Hirāsāt, 1225 (ie. 1224/1796). (ff 60v-61v)

l. Nām-i khidmāt va sardārān-i qawm-i Farānsīs̱, partly in Tīpū’s hand. 15.5 x 10.5 cm. (ff 62r-66v)

m. Opinions by various of Tīpū’s ministers on measures to be taken
in consequence of Ripaud’s representations. 15.5 x 10.5 cm. (ff 67r-74r)

Three memoranda: on the rules for swearing oaths etc., a list of nine sins listed in the Qur’an and a short account of the duties of seven Officers of State. 15.5 x 11 cm; copyists, 'Abd Allāh and Asad Anvar; partly dated Haydarī, Shadab, 1226 (1798). (ff 77v-91r)

A document registering new names to be applied to different kinds of horses and bullocks. 15.5 x 10.5 cm; Tipū’s seal dated 1223 (1795); dated 1 Ahmadī, Shadab, 1226 (1798). (ff 94r-102v) 102 ff (excluding many blank leaves); annotated by W. Kirkpatrick and Lieut. Col. S.W. Ogg; documents dating from 1793 to 1798. Persian

I.O. 4685

A volume containing six of Tipū Sultān’s ḥukmnāmah:

a Ḥukmnāmah addressed to the nine officers of the Commercial Department (Malik al-Tujiārān) responsible for Government factories etc. Dated 3 Ahmadī, Rasikī, 1222 (1794) and 14 Ahmadī, Sahīr, 1221 (1793). (ff 6v-25r)

b Ḥukmnāmah addressed to the seven Ṣudūr concerned with the establishment of garrisons and forts etc. Dated 14 Ahmadī, Sahīr, 1221 (1793). (ff 26v-52r)

c Ḥukmnāmah to the seven ministers of the Military Department (Mīr Mīrān) concerning the establishment of the army etc. (ff 54r-82v)

d Ḥukmnāmah to the five officers of the Revenue Department (Mīr Āṣafān) Dated 17 Rabbānī, Rasikī, 1222 (1795). (ff 84r-148r)

e Ḥukmnāmah addressed to the five officers of the Treasury (Mīr Khasīn). (ff 150v-169r)

f Ḥukmnāmah addressed to the eleven officers of the Marine Department (Mīr-i Yamm) concerning the construction of ships and their establishments etc. Dated 7 Ja‘fārī, Hirāsah, 1224 (1796). (ff 171v-187v) 187 ff (excluding many blank leaves); 20.5 x 15 cm; annotations by W. Kirkpatrick; partly in Tipū Sultān’s hand with his signature occurring throughout in the form of the cypher nabī malik; Tipū’s seal dated 1215 (1787); original binding. Persian

I.O. 4686

Afsānah-i Shāhān, anecdotes of the Afghan Sultans of Delhi by Muhammad Kabīr ibn Ismā‘īl. Ff 1Bv-184v; 21.5 x 13 cm; copyist, Kishān La‘l; illuminated ‘unvān; dated 1136 (1724). Persian

I.O. 4687

Akbarnāmah by Abū al-Faḍl ‘Allāmī (1551-1602). The second part of daftar 1 describing the history of the first seventeen years of Akbar’s reign (1556-72). 217 ff; 34.5 x 23 cm; 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4688

Mukātabāt-i ‘Allāmī by the same author. Vol. 1 followed by an extract from his Akbarnāmah. Ff 1Dv-82v (excluding interleaving); 28.5 x 15 cm; 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4689

The second section of the same work. Ff 1Bv-108r; 26.5 x 17.5 cm; 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4690

Section 4 of the same work. Ff 1Dv-173v; 30 x 19 cm; 18th century. Persian
I.O. 4691-4693  Savānīh-i Akbarī by Amīr Ḥaydar Bilgrāmī (d. 1217/1802). A history of Akbar written for William Kirkpatrick whose volumes were. 3 vols. (ff 18v-156v; 1Bv-159v; 1Er-223v); 32 x 19, 31.5 x 19, 22 x 16 cm; possibly in the hand of the author; 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4694, 4695  'Amal-i Šāliḥ by Muḥammad Šāliḥ Kanbū Lāhawrī (d.1085/1674). A history of Shāh Jahān completed in 1070 (1659). 2 vols. (ff 1Cv-362v; 1Cr-410v); 25 x 16 cm; 18th century? Persian

I.O. 4696-4700  Ādāb-i 'Alāmārī, letters written by Qābīl Khān on behalf of the Emperor Awrangzīb. 5 vols. (272; 355; 379; 309; 309 ff); 20 x 13.5 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4701  Two compilations of Awrangzīb's writings: a Kalimāt-i šayyibāl, a collection of notes and orders made in 1131 (1719) by his secretary Ināyat Allāh. (ff 1Bv-159v) b Raqā'īm-i karā'īm. Letters written mostly to Amīr Khān and collected after his death (c. 1719) by his son Ashraf Khān Mīr Muhammad Ḥusaynī. (ff 160v-237v) 237 ff; 27.5 x 18 cm; 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4702  Inshā'. A selection of letters written in Awrangzīb's name by Qābīl Khān. 49 ff; 24 x 15.5 cm; 18th century. Persian


I.O. 4704, 4705  Mā'āgīr-i Āṣafī, a history of the Nizams of Hyderabad by the same author, completed in 1793. 2 vols. (221; 223 ff); 24.5 x 13.5 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4706, 4707  Tūzuk-i Āṣafī by Shāh Tajallī 'Alī (d. 1215/1800?). A history of the Nizams of Hyderabad up to 1792. 2 vols. (145; 153 ff); 22.5 x 15 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4708  Khizānāh-i 'āmīrah by Ghulām 'Alī Āzād Bilgrāmī. A biographical dictionary of poets written in 1176 (1762). 278 ff; 26.5 x 16 cm; copyist, Ḥājī Darvīsh 'Alī; dated 14 Ram. 1207? (1793). Persian

I.O. 4709  Intikhāb-i Mā'āgīr al-umarā', a selection of biographies of Indian nobles from Ghulām 'Alī Āzād Bilgrāmī's edition of Ma'āgīr al-umarā' by Nawab Şamsān al-Dawlah Shāh Navāz Khān (1700-58). 188 ff; 24 x 12.5 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4710  Jāmī' al-tavārīkh by Rashīd al-Dīn Faql Allāh (d. 1318). The third section of the history of Ghāzān Khān in vol. 1. 189 ff; 20 x 13 cm; dated 15 Feb. 1800. Persian

I.O. 4711  Rawzat al-ṣafā' by Muḥammad ibn Khāvand Shāh Mīr Khvānd (1433-98). Vols. 6 and 7 of Mīr Khvānd's general history, defective at beginning and end. 367 ff; 21 x 13 cm; illuminated 'ūnvān; copyist, Ismā'īl ibn Muḥammad Shīrāzī. Persian
I.O. 4712 Part of a general history lacking beginning, end and many sections between. It begins with an account of the Buyid dynasty (10th–11th century) and ends with the 'Imadshahis of Berar (15th–16th century). 448 ff; 32.5 x 20 cm; seal dated 1081 (1670). Persian

I.O. 4713 A copy of Sa'di's Būstān, followed (f 143v) by several ghazals. 147 ff; 23.5 x 12.5 cm; illuminated 'unvān and decorated margins; seals dated 1172 and 1187 (1758 and 1773). Persian

I.O. 4714 I'jāz-i Khusrawi, a treatise on epistology by Amir Khusraw Dihlavī, completed in 719 (1319). 601 ff, lacks first two leaves of text; 23.5 x 13 cm; copyist Anūprāy; dated 21 Rajab RY 41 of Awrangzib (1698). Persian

I.O. 4715 Two Persian works:

a Bahārīstān by 'Abd al-Raḥmān Jāmī. Moral anecdotes in prose and verse written in 892 (1487). (ff 1Cv–76r)
b An abridgement in twelve majlis by an anonymous author of Rawżat al-shuḥada' by Ḥusayn Vā'iz Kāshīfī (d. 910/1504). (ff 80v–140v) 145 ff; 21.5 x 12.5 cm; illuminated 'unvāns; copyist, Mir In'ām Allāh; seal of Capt. John Kennaway; dated at Lucknow, 1200 (1786). Persian

I.O. 4716 Two poetical works by Niẓām Khān 'Āli:

a A masnawī on ethical and moral matters, interspersed with short tales and anecdotes. (ff 1Dv–124r)
b Tārīkh-i Kadkhvudā-i Kāmgār Khān, a satirical qiṭ'ah on the marriage of Kāmgār Khān. (ff 125v–132v) 136 ff; 22.5 x 16 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4717A Tafṣīl-i sikkah, a treatise on the coinage of Hindu and Muslim rulers in India. Ff 1Dv–25v; 26.5 x 20 cm; illuminated 'unvān and illustrations; copyist, Bakhsh Allāh; dated at Lucknow, 1198 (1783). Persian

I.O. 4717B Miscellaneous fragments from a treatise on coinage, containing illustrated examples with some explanatory notes. 16 ff; varying sizes; c. 1783. Persian

I.O. 4718 Rasā'il of Abū Sulaymān Muḥammad ibn Ṭāhir al-Sijżī. A typescript copy of MSS Rampur II 814 and 817 containing three works:

a Maqālah fī anna al-ajrām al-'ulwiyyah dhawāt nafs nāṭiqah. (ff 2r–5r)
b Maqālah fī al-muḥarrrik al-awwal. (ff 6r–9r)
c Maqālah fī al-kamāl al-khāṣṣ bi-nawā' al-insān. (ff 10r–18r) 18 ff (text on recto only); 27.5 x 21.5 cm; copyist, Imtiyāz 'Ali 'Arshī; dated 30 May 1939. Arabic

I.O. 4719 The catalogue, Daftar al-kutub, by Rizq Allāh ibn Niẓām Allāh Ḥassūn. A catalogue of the 462 Arabic manuscripts in the Bijapur collection in the India Office Library. Ff 1Br–260r (text on recto only); 31.5 x 19.5 cm; copied by the author; dated at London, 20 Adhar 1869. Arabic
70 Mughal documents including "farmāns, ḥukmnīmāh, iqrārnīmāh, chakhnāmāhs etc. relating to the family of Jalāl al-Dīn, Qāzī of the pargana Batala, Punjab, and his descendants:

1 Farmān of Bābur continuing the grant of the village Panchal Gul Bhadūrī?, Batala pargana, to Qāzī Jalāl al-Dīn as suyūrgāhī. 19 x 37.5 cm; seal and tughra of Bābur; dated 30 Zu‘l-Q. 933 (1527)

2 Farmān of Jahāngīr granting 12 bīghah of land in Dābhāvālah pargana to Shaykh Bahā al-Dīn as madad-i ma‘āsh. 30 x 75 cm; text damaged; seal of Jahāngīr; dated Isfandar [RY 7] (1613)

3 Farmān of Jahāngīr granting 39 bīghah of land in Batala pargana to Shaykh Shāh Muḥammad and others as madad-i ma‘āsh. 55.5 x 72 cm; text damaged; seal of Jahāngīr; dated 20 Mihr RY 8 (1613)

4 "I‘lāmnāmah of Sayyid Ahmad, Ṣadr al-Ṣūdūr, announcing the grant of 35 bīghah of land in Batala pargana to Fath Kháṭūn and others as madad-i ma‘āsh. 23 x 31 cm; text damaged; c. RY 11 of Jahāngīr (1615)

5 I‘lāmnāmah of Sayyid Ahmad, Ṣadr al-Ṣūdūr, announcing the grant of 60 bīghah of land in Lahore sarkar to 'Afīfah and her sons as madad-i ma‘āsh. 24.5 x 25 cm; text damaged; c. RY 13 of Jahāngīr (1618)

6 I‘lāmnāmah of Muḥammad Ma‘ṣūm, announcing the renewal of the grant of 60 bīghah of land in Batala pargana as madad-i ma‘āsh in the name of ‘Afīfah. 24 x 25.5 cm; text damaged; dated 3 Zu‘l-Q. RY 14 of Shāh Jahān (1641)

7 I‘lāmnāmah of Qāsim Kháñ forthcoming concerning the re-distribution of a piece of land in Batala. 23 x 48.5 cm; text damaged; dated Farvardin RY 16 of Shāh Jahān (1643)

8 Sanad of Muḥammad Kháñ ‘Alamgīrshāhī and others granting 35 bīghah of land as madad-i ma‘āsh to the scholars Muḥammad ‘Arif and Mīr Muḥammad. 22.5 x 23.5 cm; text damaged; dated 24 Zu‘l-H. RY 23 of Shāh Jahān (1649)

9 Manshūr issued by Awrangzīb granting 70 bīghah of land as madad-i ma‘āsh to Mullā Muḥammad Sharaf. 28 x 81 cm; text damaged; dated 1 Jam. I [1069] (1659)

10 Hukmnāmah of Asad Kháñ confirming a grant of 10 bīghah of land in Jālālabād pargana to Iľāhādād as madad-i ma‘āsh. 23 x 24 cm; text damaged; dated 8 Safar RY 15 of Awrangzīb (1672)

11 Hukmnāmah of Diyānat Kháñ ‘Alamgīrshāhī and Niẓām al-Dīn Hasan Qādirī renewing the grant of 46 bīghah 14 bisvah of land in Batala pargana to Shaykh Shāh Muḥammad and others. 24 x 57 cm; dated 26 Zu‘l-H. RY 23 of Awrangzīb (1680)

12 I‘lāmnāmah of Rīzāvī Kháñ, Ṣadr al-Ṣūdūr, announcing the grant of 50 bīghah of land in Batala pargana as madad-i ma‘āsh to Birsī and others. 22 x 41.5 cm; text damaged; dated 12 Muh. RY 24 of Awrangzīb (1681)

13 Hukmnāmah announcing the grant of 45 bīghah of land in Batala pargana to Sa‘ādat Kháṭūn and other women as madad-i ma‘āsh. 24.5 x 36.5 cm; dated 11 Rab. II 1093 RY 25 of Awrangzīb (1682)

14 I‘lāmnāmah of Sharīf Kháñ, Ṣadr al-Ṣūdūr, announcing the grant of 120 bīghah of land in Batala pargana as madad-i ma‘āsh to Dawlat Kháṭūn and others. 20.5 x 42.5 cm; dated 27 Jam. II RY 25 of Awrangzīb (1682)

15 Hukmnāmah of Asad Kháñ, announcing the grant of 115 bīghah of land in Batala pargana as madad-i ma‘āsh to Dānish Bībī and others. 22 x 42 cm; dated 15 Zu‘l-Q. RY 32 of Awrangzīb (1688)
16 Ḥukmnāmah of Muḥammad Aslam and ʿAbd al-Vahhāb renewing the grant of 60 bigha of land in Batala pargana to Ḥanīfah and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 22 x 37 cm; text damaged; dated 14 Rab. II RY 33 of Awrangzib (1690)

17 Ḥukmnāmah of Muḥammad Aslam and Mīr Ahmad Khān ʿĀlamgīrshāhī renewing the grant of 50 bigha of land in Chamārī pargana to Sāhib Khātūn and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 22.5 x 44.5 cm; text damaged; dated 4 Shavv. RY 37 of Awrangzib (1693)

18 Iʿlāmnāmah of Siyādat Khān announcing the grant of 20 bigha of land in Batala pargana to Fath Khātūn and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 22.5 x 42.5 cm; text damaged; dated 25 Ram. RY 38 of Awrangzib (1694)

19 Farmān of Awrangzib granting 40 bigha of land in Chamārī pargana to Ṭaj Bībī and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 42.5 x 85.5 cm; text damaged; seal and tughra of Awrangzib; dated 29 Shavv. RY 40 (1696)

20 Sanad issued by Muḥammad ʿĀlam and other officials granting 15 bigha of land in Batala pargana to Sālih Bānū and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 18 x 27.5 cm; text damaged; dated 12 Muḥ. RY 40 of Awrangzib (1696)

21 Ḥukmnāmah issued by ʿAbd al-Baqī and Kāzīm renewing the grant of 100 bigha of land in Batala pargana to Sālih Bānū and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 24.5 x 47.5 cm; text damaged; dated 23 Rab. I 1112 RY 44 of Awrangzib (1700)

22 Ḥukmnāmah issued by the same officials renewing the grant of 20 bigha of land in Batala pargana as madad-i maʿāsh to Fath Khātūn and others. 24.5 x 40.5 cm; text damaged; dated 17 Shavv. 1112 RY 45 of Awrangzib (1701)

23 Iʿlāmnāmah of Muḥammad Aṁīn Khān, Ṣadr al-Ṣudūr, announcing the grant of 45 bigha of land to Sāhib Khātūn and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 21.5 x 39.5 cm; dated 15 Shaʿb. RY 47 of Awrangzib (1703)

24 Ḥukmnāmah issued by the Amīr al-Umarā’ announcing the grant of 50 bigha of land in Batala pargana to Zaynab and others as madad-i maʿāsh. 22.5 x 49 cm; dated 1 Rab. II 1112 RY 48 of Awrangzib (1704)

25 Chaknāmah-i arāzi recording the demarcation of 52 bigha 10 bisvah of land in Batala pargana granted as madad-i maʿāsh to Bībī, Muḥammad Shafī‘ and others. 22 x 44 cm; text damaged; dated 11 Rab. II 49 of Awrangzib (1705)

26 Iqrārnāmah concluded between Rahmat Allāh of Batala town and ʿAbd al-Qādir concerning the gift of property containing a well. 21 x 34 cm; text damaged; dated 10 Shaʿb. 1117 RY 49 of Awrangzib (1705)

27 Ḥukmnāmah issued by Khvājah Sháh Mīr, Ṣadr, and Hāfīz Khān renewing the grant of 77 bigha of land in Batala pargana as madad-i maʿāsh to Sulṭān Khātūn other women. 22.5 x 34 cm; text damaged; dated 17 Jum. I 1118 RY 50 of Awrangzib (1706)

28 Iqrārnāmah concluded between Shaykh Muḥammad and Ghūlām Muḥammad, both of Batala town, selling a two storeyed dwelling for 15 Shahjahani rupees. 22 x 59 cm; text damaged; dated 22 Shaʿb 1119 (1707)

29 Siyāhah-i yāddāsht-i vāqi‘ah recording the grant of 10 bigha of land in Batala pargana to Shaykh Nīmat Allāh as madad-i maʿāsh. 29 x 54.5 cm; text damaged; dated 26 Rab. I RY 2 of Shāh ʿĀlam I (1708)

30 Ḥukmnāmah of Sayyid Ashraf Khān and Saʿādatmand Khān renewing
the grant of 62 bighah 13 bisvah of land in Batala pargana to Muhammad Siddiq and others as madad-i ma'ash. 22 x 42.5 cm; text damaged; dated 2 Rajab 1121 RY 3 of Shah 'Alam I (1709)
31 Hukmnāmah of Sayyid Ashraf Khān and Sa'ādatmand Khān renewing the grant of 40 bighah of land in Batala pargana to Sharifah Bānū the grant of 40 bighah of land in Batala pargana to Sharifah Bānū and other women as madad-i ma'ash. 22 x 44.5 cm; text damaged; dated 9 Rajab 1121 RY 3 of Shāh 'Alam I (1709)
32 Hukmnāmah of Āsaf al-Dawlat and Khān-i Khānān Mu'azzam Khān confirming the grant of 90 bighah of land in Batala pargana to Ṣāhib Dawlat and other women as madad-i ma'ash. 24 x 48 cm; text damaged; dated 25 Jum. I RY 4 of Shāh 'Alam I (1710)
33 I'llānnāmah of Amjad Khān, Ṣadr-i Jahān, confirming the grant of 90 bighah of land in Batala pargana to Dawlat and others as madad-i ma'ash. 21.5 x 38.5 cm; dated I Jum. II RY 4 of Shāh 'Alam I (1710)
34 Maḥzarānāmah presented by the craftsmen and artisans of Batala town and pargana asking for the re-instatement of Ghulām Muḥammad as Qāzī. 22.5 x 36 cm; text damaged; c. 1710?
35 Sanad issued by 'Alā' Khān renewing the daily allowance of 18 tankah and a half bahlu for maintenance of the mosque in Batala town. 17.5 x 39.5 cm; text damaged; dated 8 Jum. II RY 5 of Shāh 'Alam I (1711)
36 Hukmnāmah issued by Sa'ādatmand Khān and Khvājah Futūh renewing the grant of 62 bighah 12 bisvah of land in Batala pargana assigned to Muḥammad Siddiq and others as madad-i ma'ash. 34 x 44 cm; text damaged; dated 11 Jum. II 1125 RY 2 of Farrukh Siyar (1713)
37 Chaknāmah-i ārazi recording the demarcation of 40 bighah of land in Batala pargana granted as madad-i ma'ash to Sharifah Bānū and other women. 22 x 57.5 cm; text damaged; dated 1 Rajab RY 2 of Farrukh Siyar (1713)
38 Chaknāmah-i ārazi recording the demarcation of 50 bighah of land in Kirtārpūr Dībā, Batala pargana, granted as madad-i ma'ash to Muḥammad 'Āqil and others. 22.5 x 61.5 cm; text damaged; dated 19 Rajab RY 2 of Farrukh Siyar (1713)
39 Chaknāmah-i ārazi recording the demarcation of 40 bighah of land in Kirtārpūr village granted as madad-i ma'ash to Muḥammad 'Āqil and Shaykh Nī'mat Allāh. 21.5 x 42 cm; text damaged; dated 19 Rajab RY 3 of Farrukh Siyar (1714)
40 Chaknāmah-i ārazi recording the demarcation of land in Batala as madad-i ma'ash to Jān Bībī and other women. 23 x 58.5 cm; dated 11 Shavv. RY 3 of Farrukh Siyar (1714)
41 Hukmnāmah issued by Fazl 'Alī Khān and Khvājah Futūh renewing the grant of 100 bighah of land in Akbarabad pargana assigned to 'Aẓmat Bānū and other women as madad-i ma'ash. 21 x 28 cm; text damaged; dated 7 Ram. RY 4 of Farrukh Siyar (1715)
42 Hukmnāmah of Sayyid 'Abd Allāh Khān Bahādur Zafar Jang renewing a daily allowance of 12 anna payable to Shaykh Nūr Muḥammad and others in the pargana of Pattī Haybatpūr as madad-i ma'ash. 25 x 48 cm; dated 17 Shā'b. RY 5 of Farrukh Siyar (1716)
43 Hukmnāmah issued by Fazl 'Alī Khān and Muḥammad Futūh Khān renewing the grant of 11 bighah 14 bisvah of land in Batala pargana assigned to Fāṭḥ Khātūn and other heirs of Ya'qūb as madad-i ma'ash. 23 x 42 cm; text damaged; dated 5 Ram. RY 5 of Farrukh Siyar (1716)
44 Hukmnāmah issued by Ziyā' al-Dīn Muḥammad Khān and Muḥammad Futūh Khān renewing the grant of 46 bīghah 14 bisvah of land assigned to Vilayat Khātūn and others as madad-i ma'āsh. 23.5 x 43.5 cm; text damaged; dated 5 Ram. 1130 RY 7 of Farrukh Siyar (1718)

45 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Mīr Muḥammad Šalīh renewing the name of Sa'ādat Khātūn and other women a grant of 40 bīghah of land in Batala pargana given as madad-i ma'āsh. 24 x 45.5 cm; text damaged; dated 29 Zu'l-Q. 1135 RY 5 of Muḥammad Shāh (1723)

46 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Mīr Muḥammad Šalīh renewing the grant of 60 bīghah of land in Batala pargana as madad-i ma'āsh to Ḥamīdah and her co-heirs. 23.5 x 45 cm; text damaged; dated 1137? (1724)

47 Hukmnāmah issued by Muḥtaram Khān and Mīr Muḥammad Šalīh renewing the grant of 60 bīghah of land in Batala pargana made as madad-i ma'āsh to Ḥanīf Bānū and others. 23 x 45.5 cm; text damaged; dated 5 Rab. II 1138 RY 8 of Muḥammad Shāh (1725)

48 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Mīr Muḥammad Šalīh renewing the grant of 20 bīghah of land in Chamārī pargana as madad-i ma'āsh to Fīrūz Khātūn and others. 21.5 x 50.5 cm; text dated 30 Safar 1139 RY 8 of Muḥammad Shāh (1726)

49 Iqrārnāmah concluded between Fakhr al-Dīn, Ṣharaf al-Dīn and Shaykh Ghulām Bānī selling 35 bīghah of land for 122 'Alamgīrī rupees. 12 x 65 cm; text damaged; dated 15 Zu'l-H. 1139 RY 9 of Muḥammad Shāh (1727)

50 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Sayyid 'Azīz Khān renewing the grant of 50 bīghah of land in Batala pargana assigned as madad-i ma'āsh to Nūr Khātūn and her co-heirs. 21.5 x 50.5 cm; text damaged; dated 19 Rab. II 1140 RY 10 of Muḥammad Shāh (1727)

51 Iqrārnāmah concluded between Shaykh Khayr Allāh and others selling 20 bīghah of land in Batala pargana. 22 x 34 cm; text damaged; dated 7 Jum. II 1141 RY 11 of Muḥammad Shāh (1728)

52 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Sayyid Širāf Shāh Khān Mūsāvī renewing the grant of 180 bīghah of land in Batala pargana assigned as madad-i ma'āsh to Sa'ādat Bānū and others. 22 x 46 cm; text damaged; dated Ram. 1144 RY 14 of Muḥammad Shāh (1732)

53 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Sayyid Sultan Husayn Khān Mūsāvī renewing the grant of 59 bīghah of land in Batala pargana assigned as madad-i ma'āsh to Nūr Khātūn and others. 21.5 x 52 cm; text damaged; dated 14 Shavv. 1145 RY 15 of Muḥammad Shāh (1733)

54 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Sayyid Sultan Husayn Khān Mūsāvī renewing the grant of 170 bīghah of land in Batala pargana assigned as madad-i ma'āsh to Ashraf Khātūn and others. 22 x 51.5 cm; text damaged; dated 26 Shavv. 1145 RY 15 of Muḥammad Shāh (1733)

55 Hukmnāmah issued by Sayyid Shahāmat Khān and Sayyid Sultan Husayn Khān Mūsāvī renewing the grant of 77 bīghah of land in Batala pargana assigned as madad-i ma'āsh to Sultan Khātūn and others. 22 x 45.5 cm; text damaged; dated 21 Muh. 1146 (1733)

56 I'llāmnāmah announcing the appointment and setting out the duties of Mīr Muḥammad as Qāzī of Batala pargana. 22 x 53 cm; text damaged; dated 4 Zu'l-H. RY 16 of Muḥammad Shāh (1734)
57 Iqrārnāmah concluded between Ḫūrān of Raḥīmābād village and Muhammad Šiddīq of Batala town purchasing 5 bīghah of land in Batala pargana for 20 rupees. 22.5 x 36 cm; text damaged; c. 1147 (1734)

58 Iqrārnāmah concluded between Harī Singh and Naqī Muhammad selling 15 bīghah of land in Bhagvānpūr Zafarvālā village for 42 rupees. 22.5 x 59 cm; text damaged; c. 1147 (1734)

59 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Sayyid Shāhāmat Khān and Mīr Muḥīy al-Dīn Mūsavi renewing the grant of 59 bīghah of land in Batala pargana assigned as madād-i maʿāsh to Nūr Khāṭūn and others. 21.5 x 48 cm; text damaged; dated 2 Jun. I 1148 RY 18 of Muḥammad Shāh (1735)

60 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Mīr Muḥīy al-Dīn Mūsavi announcing the appointment and setting out the duties of Mīr Muḥammad as Qāżī of Batala pargana. 22.5 x 47 cm; text damaged; dated 24 Jun. I 1148 RY 18 of Muḥammad Shāh (1735)

61 Qarārpattah re-assessing the annual rent for the village of Kalānchūr as 550 rupees. 21.5 x 38.5 cm; text damaged; dated 7 Ram. RY 19 of Muḥammad Shāh (1737)

62 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Sayyid Shāhāmat Khān and Khvājah Saḥā Khān renewing the grant of 20 bīghah of land in Chamārī pargana assigned as madād-i maʿāsh to Firūz Khāṭūn and others. 21.5 x 48 cm; text damaged; dated 22 Shāvv. 1149 RY 19 of Muḥammad Shāh (1738)

63 Ḥukmānmāmah of Sayyid Mīrak Khān renewing the grant of 20 bīghah of land in Batala pargana assigned as madād-i maʿāsh to Ḥayāt Bībī and others. 23 x 46.5 cm; text damaged; dated 16 Rab. I 1156 RY 25 of Muḥammad Shāh (1743)

64 Iqrārnāmah concluded between Nawbat Khān and Mankay Khān purchasing 100 bīghah of land in Shāhjahānpūr village, Batala, for 250 'Amgīrī rupees. 23 x 63 cm; dated 21 Safar RY 1 of Aḥmad Shāh (1749)

65 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Shamsīr Bayg Khān renewing the grant of 60 bīghah of land in Batala pargana to Shams Khāṭūn and other heirs of the wife of Shaykh Ḥuṭ Allāh. 22 x 52 cm; text damaged; dated 4 Ram. 1162 RY 2 of Aḥmad Shāh (1749)

66 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Shamsīr Bayg Khān announcing the appointment and setting out the duties of Mīr Muḥammad as Qāʿī of Batala pargana. 21 x 48 cm; text damaged; dated 24 Ram. 1162 RY 2 of Aḥmad Shāh (1749)

67 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Dādar Khān, Šadr al-Sudūr, renewing the grant of 45 bīghah of land in Batala pargana to Jān Bībī and others. 22 x 48 cm; dated 2 Zuʿl-H. 1170 RY 1 of Tīmūr Shāh (1757)

68 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Dādar Khān, Šadr al-Sudūr, renewing the grant of 93 bīghah 7 bisvah of land in Batala pargana given as madād-i maʿāsh to Shaykh Muḥammad Saʿīd and other heirs of Murtaza. 21 x 49 cm; dated 2 Zuʿl-H. 1170 RY 1 of Tīmūr Shāh (1757)

69 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Dādar Khān, Šadr al-Sudūr, renewing the grant of 40 bīghah of land in Batala pargana given as madād-i maʿāsh to Māh Khānām and others. 22 x 47.5 cm; dated 15 Zuʿl-H. 1170 RY 1 of Tīmūr Shāh (1757)

70 Ḥukmānmāmah issued by Dādar Khān, Šadr al-Sudūr, renewing the grant of 62 bīghah 12 bisvah of land in Batala pargana given as madād-i maʿāsh to Muḥammad Šiddīq and others. 22 x 49 cm; dated 10
Rab. II 1171 RY 1 of Tīmūr Shāh (1757)
70 ff; documents of varying sizes; many important seals; dated from 1527 to 1757. Persian (See Batala catalogue)

I.O. 4721 A treatise on perfume and dyes drawn from the writings of Tīpū Sultan. 33 ff; 19.5 x 12 cm; original binding from Tīpū Sultan’s library; copyist, 'Abd al-Qādir; dated 18 Rajab 1211 (1797). Persian

I.O. 4722 Hukmānāmah issued by Dīyānat Khān and Muhammad Aslam renewing the grant of 30 bīghah of land in Chamārī pargana assigned as madad–i ma’sāsh to Haybat Khātūn and others. 21 x 39 cm; dated 12 Rab. I 1095 RY 27 of Awrangzib (1684). Persian

I.O. 4723 Four letters of goodwill etc. (two from Bālkrishan Gangādhara Shāstri) to the Honourable Mountstuart Elphinstone (1779–1859, Governor of Bombay from 1819 until his retirement in 1827). 4 ff with 3 envelopes; letters different sizes; written from Poona? between 13 Mar. 1828 and 7 Dec. 1830. Persian

I.O. 4724 al-Mīnah al-ilāhīyah fī manāqib al-sādah al-wafā’iyah by Abū al-Latā’īf ibn Fāris. Ff 1r–28v; 20.5 x 15 cm; damaged. Arabic

I.O. 4725 Route map of the road from Delhi to Kandahar (see also MS I.O. 4380) drawn up by Maulavi Ghulām Qādir who accompanied Maj. Gen. W.G.K. Elphinstone to Kandahar in 1841. c. 20 metres x 25 cm; illustrated; c. 1841. Persian

I.O. 4726 Da’ā’im al-Islām by al-Qādir al-Nu’mān ibn Muhammad ibn Ḥayyūn (d. 974). Vol 2 of an account written in two parts of the fundamental beliefs and the legal system of the Isma'ilis. Ff 1Mv–295v; 24 x 15.5 cm; copyist, Raḥīm ibn Bhā'ījī? ibn Da‘ūdjjī; dated 16 Jum. I 1126 (1714). Arabic

I.O. 4727 The second half of the same work. Ff 1Dv–123v; 18.5 x 14 cm; copyist, Chand Khān ibn Ilāhbakhshījī ibn Iṣmā'īljī; dated 5 Safar 1284 (1867). Arabic

I.O. 4728 The first half of Mukhtaṣar al-āthār compiled in two volumes by al-Qādir al-Nu’mān. Ff 1Kv–168v; 21 x 13 cm; end defective. Arabic

I.O. 4729 Vol. 1 of the same work. 247 ff; 22.5 x 13 cm; late 19th century. Arabic

I.O. 4730 Vol. 2 of the same work. Ff 1Bv–149r; 22 x 14 cm; copyist, Hammūd ibn Yaḥyā ibn Iṣmā'īl; dated at Bombay 28 Jum. II 1330 (1912). Arabic

I.O. 4731 Kitāb al-iqtiṣār by al-Qādir al-Nu’mān. An abridgement of his Kitāb al-ikhbār, itself an abridgement of his comprehensive work on jurisprudence Kitāb al-idāh. Ff 1Hv–92v (contents ff 1Ar and 1Br); 20 x 12.5 cm; copyist, Muḥammad Ḥusayn ibn Ḥasan Bhā'ī; dated 9 Rab. I 1323 (1905). Arabic

I.O. 4732 al-Urjūzah al-mukhtārah, a versified summary of his Kitāb al-idāh
by al-Qādī al-Nu'mān. Ff 1Bv-89r; 22 x 14 cm; copyist, Şāliḥ Bhai; dated Safar 1329 (1911). Arabic

I.O. 4733 Risālat al-mabda' wa-al-ma'ād by Husayn ibn 'Alī ibn Muḥammad ibn al-Walīd (d. 1268). Ff 11v-25v; 21.5 x 14 cm; dated 23 Rab. I 1312 (1894). Arabic

I.O. 4734 al-Su‘āl wa-al-jawāb li-mashā‘ikh al-Hind by Aminī ibn Jahlī (d. 1602 at Ahmedabad). A collection of legal cases and decisions by different authorities. Ff 1Cv-123v; 22 x 14.5 cm. Arabic

I.O. 4739 An account, in tabular form, of Burdwan district (gilla') Bengal. 42.5 x 226.5 cm; dated 31 Jan. 1795 in an English note. Persian

I.O. 4740 Aḥvāl-i Muḥammad Shāh pāḍshāh-i vālājāh-i Hind, a brief account of Nādir Shāh’s defeat of the Mughal forces at Karnal in 1739. Ff 1Dr-5v; 23 x 13 cm; seal dated 1192 (1778). Persian

I.O. 4741 A collection of four short works relating to the Tāj Maḥall at Agra:
   a An untitled and anonymous work in Urdu prose, probably by Ghulām Imām Shahīd (1804 – c. 1876), giving an account of Mumtāz Mahall’s final illness and last wishes, and the construction of her mausoleum after her death in 1631. (ff 1r-10v). Urdu (See Urdu mss II no. 33)
   b Dar ta‘rīf-i rawzah, a description in prose and verse of the Tāj Mahall by Shihāb al-Dīn Muḥammad. (ff 11r-31v). Persian
   c Ta‘rīf-i rauzah-yi munavvarah, a prose description forming part of the third chapter of Tājganj ke rauze ki ta‘rīf by Ghulām Imām Shahīd. (ff 32r-43v). Urdu (See Urdu mss II no. 33)
   d Khulāsah-i paymāyish-i rawzah.... Measurements etc. of the Tāj Mahall. (ff 45r-67r). Persian
69 ff; 25.5 x 17 cm; late 19th century

I.O. 4742 Tafṣīr-i Ya‘qūb Charkhī, a concise commentary on Surahs 1 and 67 to 114 of the Qur’ān by Ya‘qūb ibn ‘Ugmān Charkhī (d. 838/1434?). 227 ff; 17 x 11.5 cm; copyist, Yusuf ibn Amān Allāh Nasā‘ī; dated 928 (1551). Persian

I.O. 4743 Kitāb-i paymāyish va tavārīkh-i rawzah-i munavvarah. An account of the materials used in the construction of the Tāj Mahall and its cost, preceded by a brief biography of Mumtāz Mahall. 43 ff; 19 x 13.5 cm; frontispiece; copyist, Mīrzā Mughal Bayg of Akbarabad; dated 18 Safar 1271 (1854). Persian

I.O. 4744 Volume from the papers of Richard Johnson (1753-1807) containing copies of various letters from unspecified persons (ff 1r–24r). 30 ff; 33 x 20.5 cm; lacks beginning; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4745 Volume of papers from Richard Johnson’s collection containing two separate manuscripts bound together:
   a Fragment of Siyar al-‘arīfīn, lives of Chishti saints by Hāmid ibn Fazl Allāh Jamālī Dīhlavī (d. 901/1496), see I.O. 4748b below. (ff 1r–8v, followed by various letters, ff 9r–12v)
   b Part of a letter book containing copies of administrative
correspondence 1787, continued by I.O. 4747a below. (ff 13r-21v)
21 ff; 33 x 21.5 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4746
Volume of papers from Richard Johnson’s collection containing:
a English notes written on 26 June 1778 and 1 Nov. 1779. (ff 1r-6r)
b A history of the career of Vizir ‘Imād al-Mulk Ghāzī al-Dīn Khān
d. (1800?) by Murtāgā Quṭb Khān. (ff 7r-15r)
c An account of Nawab Mīrzā Najaf Khān (1737-82) by the same
author. (ff 24v-37v, one side only)
45 ff; 32 x 20 cm; late 18th century. Persian and English

I.O. 4747
Volume of papers from Richard Johnson’s collection containing two
separate manuscripts bound together:
a Part of a letter book containing copies of administrative
correspondence 1787-88, continuing from I.O. 4745b. (ff 1r-5v)
b An account of affairs in the Deccan and Mysore entitled
Intelligence 1784. (ff 10r-23v)
57 ff; 33 x 20.5 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4748
A similar volume from Richard Johnson’s collection containing:
a A list of plant names and flowers. (ff 1v-11r)
b Extracts from Siyar al-‘arīfīn, lives of Chishti saints by Hāmid
ibn Fażl Allāh Jamālī Dīlavī (d. 901/1496), part of the same
manuscript as I.O. 4745a. (ff 13v-38v)
44 ff; 29.5 x 22.5 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4749
Another volume from Richard Johnson’s papers containing:
a Copies of articles from Persian versions of treaties concluded
between the East India Company and Tīpū Sultān in 1784, and with
the Nawab of the Carnatic and the Soubah of the Deccan in 1768
(see C.U. Aitchison: A collection of treaties, engagements and
sanads relating to India... vol. 9, pp 27-34, 228-232. Calcutta,
1929). (ff 3-17)
b Copy of a sanad dated 4 Rab. I 1194 RY 21 (1780) granting
Richard Johnson a manṣab of 6000 ṣāt and savār and the title
Mufakkhkhar al-Mulk Mumtāz al-Dawlah Bahādur Ḫusām Jang. (f 15)
19 ff; folios out of sequence; 21.5 x 18.5 cm; late 18th century.
Persian

I.O. 4750
Akbarnāmah by Ḥāmid Allāh Kashmīrī. A historical magnāvī on the
exploits of Prince Akbar Khān son of Amīr Dūst Muḥammad, composed
in 1260 (1844). 186 ff; 23 x 15.5 cm. Persian

I.O. 4751
Dīvān of Ghulām Qādir Girāmī (1856-1927). Autograph poems
including some incomplete ones. 74 ff; 32 x 20.5 cm; dated 15 Rab.

I.O. 4752
Drill book for the use of Tīpū Sultan’s army. 22 ff; 15 x 11 cm.
Persian

I.O. 4753
Tārīkh-i pādshāhān-i ‘Ajam, a general history of Iran from the
reign of Gayūmarg to Muḥammad Shāh Qājār (ruled 1834-48). 82 ff;
34 x 21 cm; lacquered binding. Persian
Riyāz al-magāhib by Pandit Māthurā Nāth Mālvī. A description of the Hindu castes and sects including the Jains and Sikhs written for Robert Glyn whose copy this was. 75 ff; 24 x 16 cm; portrait illustrations; early 19th century. Persian

Laylá Majnūn by ʿAbd Allāh Hāṭīfī (d. 927/1520). Proof sheets of the Calcutta printed edition of 1788 edited by Sir William Jones with corrections in his hand. 72 ff; 26 x 17 cm. Persian

Five volumes of miscellaneous papers from the collection of Richard Johnson: A Copies of two treaties in Persian with parallel English translations establishing friendship between Nizam ʿAllī of Hyderabad and the East India Company on 12 Nov. 1766 and with the Nawab of the Carnatic and the Soubah of the Deccan on 23 Feb. 1768 (see I.O. 4749a), together with other English translations. See Aitchison op. cit vol. 9, pp 22–34. 33 ff; 38 x 23 cm; late 18th century. Persian and English
B Accounts; a list of trees in Johnson’s garden at Ras Paklā?; lists of grants; a list of flowers; copies of treaties signed between Shujaʿ al-Dawla, Nawab Wazir of Oudh, and the East India Company in 1765 and 1768. 59 ff; varying sizes; late 18th century. Mainly Persian
C A letter book of Persian correspondence with parallel English translations between 1781 and 1782, of the East India Company’s Residency at the Court of ʿAbd al-Dawlah, Nawab Wazir of Oudh. 64 ff; 43 x 28 cm; late 18th century. Persian and English
D Miscellaneous accounts, correspondence and copies of various agreements. 26 ff; varying sizes; late 18th century. Persian
E Miscellany including a document concerning the lease of a house in Alipur (Calcutta) to Richard Johnson. 4 ff; leaves different sizes; late 18th century. Mainly Persian

Haft ḡābiṭah by Sayyid ʿAlī Naqī Khān ibn Sayyid Ḥashmat ʿAlī. A short work divided into seven sections giving instructions on the correct composition of letters, and forms of address to persons of different rank. Ff 3v–20v; 20 x 13.5 cm; 19th or early 20th century. Persian

A collection of miscellaneous works on Islam, mostly fragmentary, in Arabic, Persian and Panjabi verse. These include sermons, prayers, treatises, and excerpts in Panjabi from works by Maulāvī ʿAbdullāh ʿAbdī, Darvesh Muhammad Lāhorī (ff 148–52; 169–97). 284 ff; 22 x 15.5 cm; beginning and end missing; copyist, Muhammad Sharīf ibn Muhammad Yūsuf; dated between 1083 and 1086 (1672–75). Arabic, Persian and Panjabi (See Panjabi mss no. 52)

Sharḥ al-Ḥamāsah, a commentary by Ahmad ibn Muhammad al-Marzūqī (d. 421/1030) on al-Ḥamāsah by ʿAbū Tammām. 232 ff; 12.5 x 13.5 cm; 16th century? Arabic

Commonplace book of Arabic poetry compiled for Sir John Shore, 1st Baron Teignmouth (1751–1834), Governor General 1793–98. 96 ff; 18.5 x 11.5 cm; copyist, Ghulām Ḥaydar; late 18th century. Arabic
I.O. 4761 Tārīkh-i Mahābat Jang by Yūsuf 'Alī Khān. A history, also called Tārīkh-i 'Alīvirdī Khān, of 'Alīvirdī Khān Mahābat Jang, ruler of Bengal, and his grandson and successor Sirāj al-Dawlah, completed in 1177 (1763). 96 ff; 24.5 x 16 cm; late 18th or early 19th century. Persian

I.O. 4762 Divan of 'Aziz al-Dīn Ahmad 'Uzámī (1898-1957). 540 poems heavily annotated by the author, occasionally in Urdu. 129 ff; 32 x 20 cm; copied by the author; dated 1925-47. Persian

I.O. 4763 Commonplace book of 'Uzámī containing copies of his own poems (ff 2r-59r; 73r-76r) and copies of correspondence with Anvar Shāh Kashmirī, Gīrāmī and others (ff 88r-100r). 129 ff; 16 x 10 cm; copied by the author; dated 1919-40. Persian

I.O. 4764 Akhbār al-akhyār fī asrār al-abrār by 'Abd al-Ḥaqīq ibn Sayf al-Dīn Dīhlavī (1551 - 1642 or 1643). Lives of 255 Indian saints, preceded by an account of 'Abd al-Qādir Jilānī, and followed by a section on the author's own life and ancestors, completed in 999 (1590). 417 ff; 14 x 25 cm; seal dated 1183 (1769); 18th century? Persian

I.O. 4765 Personal letter from Sir William Muir (1819-1905), ICS and member of the Council of India 1876-85, to the Nawab of Rampur. 2 ff; 33 x 20.5 cm; dated at London, 23 Nov. 1877. Urdu

I.O. 4766 Petition addressed to Wilfred Scawen Blunt (1840-1922) from the Anjuman-i Islam, Bombay. 28 x 22 cm; decorated margins; dated 29 Feb. 1884. Urdu

I.O. 4767 Another similar petition to Blunt from the Muslims of Allahabad. 78.5 x 30 cm; undated, but probably written during his second tour of India, 1883-84. Urdu

I.O. 4768 Ārā'īsh-i mahfīl by Mīr Sher 'Alī Afsos. A history of India up to the Muslim period, in Urdu, followed by three short extracts in Persian from works on archery (ff 137r-150v). 152 ff; 30.5 x 19 cm; dated 1805. Urdu and Persian

I.O. 4769 A collection of letters (two in Persian from Rajah Hīrā Singh of Nabha dated 7 Feb. 1877, and Maharajah Mangal Singh of Thana dated 19 Jan. 1877; one in Hindi from Maharajah Sardār Singh of Bikaner dated 7 Asoja 1922 (1865), and Urdu petitions (2) and miscellaneous poems by various authors (6) addressed to John Orlando Hercules Norman Oliver, ICS 1843-77. 16 items of varying sizes, including 2 wax seals and 3 silk kharītah bags; 1865-77. Urdu, Persian, Hindi and English

I.O. 4770 Letter from Governor General Marquis Wellesley to Maharajah Raghūji Bhūnslah. 1 f. with envelope; 39 x 16 cm; dated 7 Sept. 1803. Persian

I.O. 4771 An unsigned letter to an unnamed person about a Dr. Wood's stay at the court of Ludhiana. A note in English describes it as a letter from Ranjīt Singh to Sir Henry Fane 1837 (Commander in
Chief in India 1835-39. 56.5 x 25.5 cm. Persian

I.O. 4772  Qajar document of Nāṣir al-Dīn Shāh (ruled 1848-96). 45.5 x 32.5 cm; dated Zu'l-H. 1310 (1893). Persian

I.O. 4773  Ottoman document of Sultan ʿAbd al-Majīd I. 75.5 x 54.5 cm; dated Sha'b. 1257 (1841). Turkish

I.O. 4774  Copy of a parvānah issued under the seal of the Nawab of Arcot ʿUmādat al-Umara dated 16 Ram. 1213 (1799). 2 ff; 32.5 x 20.5 cm; undated. Persian

I.O. 4775  Letter book of Col. Herbert Lloyd (1751 or 1752 - 1818), Persian translator to Col James Morgan in Oudh 1780-83, containing copies of letters from him to various rulers Nov. 1780 - Nov. 1781 and Mar. - Apr. 1783, and copies of letters received by him and Col. Morgan 1780-83. 141 ff; 22 x 17.5 cm; 1780-83. Persian

I.O. 4776  Daily akhbār from the Court of the Nawab Wazir of Oudh, Āsaf al-Dawlah. 25 ff (originally in a roll); 14 x 47 cm; dated 3-8, 11-29 Rab. I RY 24 of his own rule (1797). Persian

I.O. 4777  Fuqarā'-i Hind by Munshi Śītal Singh. A descriptive account of the different Hindu sects, otherwise called Silsīlah-ī jūgiyān, completed soon after 1800. 179 ff; 22.5 x 15 cm; 49 full page miniatures (Company-Lucknow style, 1812-20) tipped in later; early 19th century. Persian

I.O. 4778  Copies of letters from Tīpū Sūltān's agents at the Court of Hyderabad 1791-98, including correspondence of Asad ʿAlī Khān, Ḍādir Ḥusayn Khān, Sukhārām Panḍit, Lachhī Narāyan and Madīnah Sāhib. 166 ff (excluding many blank leaves); 24 x 13 cm; annotations by William Kirkpatrick to whom the manuscript previously belonged; copied mostly before 1799. Persian

I.O. 4779  A similar volume containing copies of letters mostly from Madīnah Sāhib, Tīpū Sūltān's agent at Hyderabad 1793-98. 152 ff (excluding blank interleaving); 24 x 13 cm; annotations by W. Kirkpatrick; copied before 1799. Persian

I.O. 4780  Word list containing mostly Persian and Urdu vocabulary. 79 ff; 21 x 16 cm; early 19th century

I.O. 4781  Urdu-Persian vocabulary. 77 ff; 22 x 14 cm; early 19th century

I.O. 4782  A collection of 49 Persian letters and documents dating mostly from the 1850s of various officials of Hyderabad. 49 items of varying sizes. Persian

I.O. 4783  Miscellaneous papers comprising:
A A scrapbook including a copy of the Persian Dīvān of Girāmī (1856-1927), made from a copy in the Osmania University, Hyderabad. 20 x 16 cm. (ff 23-51)
B Miscellaneous notes by Yāsin ʿĀlī Khān including copies of 8 letters to Mukarram al-Dawlah written by Nawab Sir Sālār Jang
(1829-83) during his first visit to London and Europe in 1876. (61 ff of varying sizes)
Persian and Urdu

I.O. 4784
Autograph letter of Nawab Sir Sālār Jang to Mukarram al-Dawlāh written from London on 25 Jum. I 1293 (1876). 1 f. (22.5 x 18 cm) and envelope. Persian

I.O. 4785
207 letters comprising correspondence of Mīr Mahbūb 'Alī Khān Nizam of Hyderabad addressed to Akbarulmulk, Chief of Police, and other state officials of the Hyderabad Court. These are dated between 1890 and 1913 and mostly relate to administrative affairs. The collection also includes letters of the Nizam Mīr 'Usmān 'Alī Khān, the poet Dāgh Dihlavī, Amīr Minā'ī, Niyāz Fatḥpūrī and Nuḥ Nārvī. 207 items of varying sizes. Urdu

I.O. 4786
Scrapbook compiled at the end of the 19th century containing insignia of Hyderabad officials, companies, institutes and societies. 152 ff; 20.5 x 16.5 cm. Urdu

I.O. 4787
Addresses to Major Robert Garstin of the Madras Army, Government Agent at Chepauk, from Muḥammad Šalābat Khān Nasīr al-Mulk Intīẓām al-Dawlāh Ghazanfar Jang Bahādur dated 25 Zu’l-H. 1263 (1847) (see I.O. 4794), and from Qiyām al-Dawlāh Bahādur and Qamar al-Dawlāh Bahādur dated 1 Jan. 1847; together with a verse written in his honour by Muḥammad Badr al-Dīn Ḥusayn Khān dated 1849 and an undated copy of it. 4 items of varying sizes. Persian and English

I.O. 4788
A collection of 22 letters and documents written by unspecified persons mostly to Nawab Najaf Khān during the early part of 1773. 22 ff; leaves of varying sizes; dated between 3 Muh. and 2 Safar 1187 (1773). Persian

I.O. 4789
An untitled work by an anonymous author on dreams and augury. 94 ff; 18.5 x 12 cm; dated 13 Shavv. 1263 (1847). Persian

I.O. 4790
Raddulmuiktadī‘īn, a treatise against disbelief, polytheism and heresy in Islam written in Panjabi verse interspersed with quotations in Arabic, Persian and Urdu. 63 ff; 25 x 16 cm; copyist, Ilāhī Bakhsh; early 19th century. Panjabi

I.O. 4791
A document of Valājāh, Nawab of the Carnatic 1749-95, granting a commission to George Buck as Colonel of Infantry in his service. 53 x 31 cm; dated 3 June 1779. Persian and English

I.O. 4792
Farmān of Shāh Jahān granting 40 bīghah of land to Shaykh Amān Allāh as madad-i ma‘āsh. 21 x 78 cm; badly damaged; tughra of Shāh Jahān; dated 1 Aban RY 10 (1637). Persian

I.O. 4793
Farmān of Shāh Jahān renewing a grant of 125 bīghah of land in the pargana of Muhammadabad, Jaunpūr, as madad-i ma‘āsh. 32 x 70 cm; damaged; seal and tughra of Shāh Jahān; dated 29 Khurdad 1043 (1634). Persian


I.O. 4796  Part of an anonymous commentary on the Qur’ān, identical to MS I.O. Delhi Arabic 18. Ff 5r–181v; 27.5 x 18 cm; lacks first leaf and final section; early 18th century? Persian and Arabic

I.O. 4797  a Stories in prose interspersed with verses, closely resembling MS I.O. Ethé 799. The collection includes Qišṣah-i Manzar Shâh (f 1v), Hikâyat-i mûsh va gurbah (f 24v), Hikâyat-i Bahrâm va Gulandâm (f 33 v) and Hikâyat-i Qâsim Dîvânâh (f 67r). (ff 1r–87v) b Qišṣah-i Khâvar Shâh in prose with some verse. The text appears to be identical with Ethé 7994. (ff 88v–173v) 173 ff; 24 x 13 cm; late 18th century. Persian

I.O. 4798  Qišṣah-yi Sarv o Shamshâd. The romance of Sarv and Shamshâd composed in 1769 in Dakkani verse by ’Abdulqâdir Sâmi, known also as a Persian poet by the name Haqqânî. 179 ff; 27.5 x 15 cm; dated 19 Ram. 1226 (1811). Urdu


I.O. 4800  Two Persian works: a Mafrâ‘î al-i‘jâz, a commentary on the Gulshan-i râz by Shabistârî, similar to one with the same title by Muhammad ibn Yahyâ Lâhîjî. (ff 1v–52v) b Tuḥfat al-mulûk. An account of the seven climes by an unnamed author. (ff 56v–85r) 85 ff; 24 x 17 cm; dated: (a) 23 Sha‘b 1210 (1796), (b) 27 Ram. 1198? (1784). Persian

I.O. 4801  Hikâyât-i ḥashmat afzâ by Ghulâm Ḥaydar Muḥammad Allâhâbâdî. A collection of stories in nine chapters. 70 ff; 25.5 x 17 cm; copyist, Sayyid Amîr ‘Alî of Allahabad; dated 20 Ram. 1255 (1839). Persian

I.O. 4802  The poetical works of the poet Khvâjah Ḥusayn Sanâ‘î (d. 996/1587) a Dîvân-i Sanâ‘î containing qaṣîdas, ghazals, qîtahs and rubâ‘îs as in MSS I.O. Ethé 1449 and 1450. (ff 5r–121v, lacks first leaf) b Magnâvî-i Sanâ‘î. A poetical history of Alexander elsewhere called Iskandarnâmah and Sadd-i Iskandar. (ff 122r–157r) 157 ff; 22.5 x 12.5 cm; 18th century? Persian
A collection of three Persian works:
a) Đīvān-i Ahmad Jāmī. The poems of Shaykh al-Islām Ahmad ibn Abī al-Ḥasan Jāmī called Zhandah Pīl (c. 1049 – c. 1142). (ff 1v–72r)
b) Munājāt by ‘Abd Allāh Ansārī (d. 481/1088). The well known collection of invocations in mixed prose and verse (see MS I.O. Ethē 1779 etc.), here called Risālah-i ‘Abd Allāh Ansārī. (ff 74v–84r)
c) Fragments of Munājāt, and miscellaneous poems. (ff 85r–97v)
97 ff; 25 x 14 cm; copyist, Muḥammad Fārūq of Kashmir; dated: (a) 22 Rab. 1 1100 (1689), (b) 2 Muh. 1100 (1689). Persian

Qissah-yi Lailá o Majnūn. Hātif’s Persian version of the famous romance translated into Dakkani verse by the poet ‘Ājīz in 1636. 20 ff; 21 x 14 cm; 18th century. Urdu
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