

Illuminating Light of Guidance

On the occasion of “26th International Holy Qur’an Exhibition”, certain measures have been taken by authorities regarding the promotion of Qur’anic knowledge. In this connection Professor Abdul-Hadi Feghhizadeh, the deputy of the “Qur’an and Etrat” of the Ministry of Culture and Islamic Guidance said: “The slogan of the 26th International Holy Qur’an Exhibition is “The Holy Qur’an, the Illuminating Light of Guidance” or in Persian language “*Qur’an Chel Cheraghe Hedayat*”.

The great task of holding the Qur’anic exhibition started 26 years ago and has led into great achievements and indicates the determination of the Ministry of Culture and Islamic Guidance, to promote Islam. We hope the impressions of the slogan will be visible in all the sections of the exhibition.” Pointing out that the slogan is significant from various viewpoints and also quite suits the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the victory of the Islamic Revolution, he added, “Among our goals in connection with this Qur’an exhibition is to promote Qur’anic beliefs in the society, to spread Qur’anic culture and the teachings of the Household of the Holy Prophet(PBUH) of Islam (Etrat), giving proper direction to the production of religious works on Qur’an and Etrat and also propounding the message of the Islamic Republic of Iran in today's world.....

Included among our religious activities are the programs for the Holy month of Ramadhan and weeks of Qur’an and Etrat all over the Islamic Iran....”

Regarding the main policies of the related efforts, Professor Feghhizadeh stated; “Following the guidelines and directions presented by the esteemed leader - His Eminence Ayatollah Khamenei, the

propagation of the Islamic way of life, emphasis on the necessity of the existence of Qur'anic morality in the family environment, to extract the active participation of the activists and elite in the field of 'Qur'an and Etrat', particular attention to the cyberspace, focus on the arts for the clarification and conveyance of Qur'anic teachings, special efforts towards using the economy and culture for the realization of the goal of resistance economy and popular religious activities have been decided as the main objectives in the policy-making process. He referred to the 26th Qur'an exhibition as a nationwide, all-embracing event in the Islamic Republic of Iran and added: "This exhibition has the active presence of people from all related groups, organizations and organs and serves as a brilliant opportunity for the promotion of Qur'anic activities and the religious culture in the society."

He emphasized that this year the international section of the exhibition is receiving particular, enhanced attention and also mentioned that an information site for the exhibition, with the address "iqfa.ir" is launched and other new measures including the formation of a club related to the exhibition for receiving comments, proposals and criticism and also sections for religious discourses including those on Bi'that, Ghadir, 'Ashura, Razavi Culture, the Promised, the media and cyberspace are taken as parts of the activities of the 26th Qur'an exhibition."

Professor Feghhizadeh added that the exhibition is held in the Holy month of Ramadhan and said' "By Allah's Grace, on the 4th night of the Holy month of Ramadhan (May 20) the exhibition has been inaugurated and the closing date of the exhibition will fall on the 20th night of the Holy month of Ramadhan (June 5). He also stated that, four special publications are issued in Arabic, English, Turkish and Urdu for the first time and also expert sessions are held especially for the benefit of

university students and the reflection of the scholarly activities at the exhibition.