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## **FOREWORD**

It gives me much pleasure to write a few words on the projected book entitled "A Text Book on Islamic Law" written by Professor Dr. Muhammad Faiz-ud-Din, my favorite student and long time colleague. With great interest, I have gone through the work and found it to be the most useful treatise for everybody whoever likes to read and know Muslim Law with minutest details supported by original Arabic texts and sub continental Muslim statutory laws and judicial decisions. In writing this book, Professor Faiz-ud-Din has followed a very simple and lucid style, and thus made complicated legal theories and problems easily understandable and interesting to its readers. He has made a humble effort to reconcile the Shariya law with statutory laws of the sub-continent relating to family matters. In deciding family disputes, the judiciary should not only depend on precedents but also on the Holy Quran, Hadith and the authoritative works of early Muslim doctors. The writer has ably established this idea in this book. To prepare a work on Muslim law with all its details is a stupendous job which undoubtedly requires a writer sufficient time, energy and erudition; in that consideration Professor Faiz-ud-Din deserves special credit and this book may be considered the best product in English language.

Professor Faiz-ud-Din has ventured on different aspects of Muslim family law with judicious assimilation and reconciliation. In writing this book, he has consulted the best available source materials on the subject which he came across during his teaching Muslim law at different universities for decades together. This book deals with (a) Islamic Jurisprudence, (b) Muslim family laws, and (c) statutory laws relating to family matters. He has frequently supported his discussion with quotations from the Holy Quran and Hadith and their English translations by Western authorities. He has also made analytical