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Islamic philosophy in its all dimensions like, spiritual, social, Economical, and Moral spheres is absolutely necessary for the development of Modern human society. Islamic system of prayer, fasting and pilgrimage are providing a spiritual way of life to humankind; Islamic concept of removal of slavery provides equality and freternity; Islamic modern social principles like status of women, Economical rights for women and marriage and divorce act provides a woman social equality and freedom in social activities. These Islamic concepts are not only beneficial for the Muslims or followers of Islam religion but also beneficial to entire humankind. The modern world need a spiritual, social, and economical equality, which is being provided by Islam religion. Thus Islamic philosophy is most relevant to modern world.

This thesis "Islam and Modernism -A philosophical analysis" consists of Eleven chapters. The first chapter gives a bird’s eye view of need and necessity of the study and also
gives a brief sketch of methods adopted for my study. I have discussed in the second chapter under the main heading "Essence of Islam religion" the following issues: Origin and meaning of Islam, Essence of Quran, Prophet Mohammad and his Mission. In the third chapter "Essence of Islamic Philosophy", I have given the picture of Unity of God, Prayer, Charity, Fasting and Pilgrimage. The forth chapter "Orthodoxy in contemporary Islamic through consists of the different dimensions of marriage system and the family concepts with their modern applicability. In the fifth chapter "Essence of Modern thought". I have discussed the concept of Brotherhood, Equality and Justice etc. In the sixth chapter "Islam and Sufism", I have discussed origin of Sufism, doctrines of sufism, sufism and Modern world. In the seventh chapter "Islam and Modernism", I have discussed in detail the Islamic universalistic concepts like Humanism and secularism. In the eight chapter The tenets, meaning and relevance of Jihad in contemporary Scenario, is being discussed. In the ninth chapter brief comparative study of worlds major religion, Christianity, Jainism, Buddhism and Hinduism is discussed along with comparative and
comprehensive viewpoints. In the tenth chapter "The possibility of Universal religion", I have discussed Islamic concept of peace and the possibility of universal religion.

The contemporary world is in chaos, religions are many, there no agreement in many aspects among the religions. Without proper vision man is fighting with each other in the name of God, religion, caste, creed, language and Nation, etc. Majority people have not understood what religion is? What is aim of man? How to realize unity in diversity? How to establish harmony and peace in this planet? etc., etc.

People belonging to different religions, without going to the indepth study of their own religion, unnecessarily criticizing other religions, and thereby create turmoil situation. If and only if one understands the inner depth of his own religion he finds unity in diversity, he realizes peace within and without and thereby becomes instrument for the establishment of peace on this planet.

In this backdrop, I have taken up the study of Islam and modernism and analysed philosophically highlighting all the aspects of Islam as a theory and practice, as a religion and
science of social commitment. I have highlighted the relevance of Islamic thought in the modern social setup to suit the modern progressive ideologies like humanism and secularism, brotherhood for the entire mankind, liberty, freternity, freedom, etc. The sarvodayic elements of Islam are also highlighted in my above work. In the chapter on possibility of universal religion, I have thrown light on the necessity of the concept of one caste, one God and one religion in the mankind through the comparative and comprehensive study of world's major religions. It is co-existence which paves way for peace and harmony. Live and let-live is the principle of present day society. All religions should live harmoniously with a mutual understanding and co-operation and with give and take policy, so that unity should be realized in the so called diversity. It is like the march of Janagana with different people wearing different coloured dresses with a same aim in their minds. Spiritualism is the thread of all 'isms' or 'paths' or religions. All religions are like pearls (Sutre Manigana eva - Gita) where as God (spiritualism) is the thread.
In my thesis I have very sincerely tackled the above challenges and tried to give some solutions as student of philosophy, to enhance the beauty of life on this planet. Throughout my thesis I have shown how religion (especially Islam religion) is the instrument for the happy life of man and his surroundings, and of the summum bonum for both individual (Pindanda) and world (Brahmanda) at large. All religious Prophets like Mohammad or like Krishna or like Jesus are all aiming at the establishment of peace and harmony in the world. Their goal is same like the channels of different water sources merges in ocean so also different paths (Religions) ultimately meet in God - Spirituality - peace and harmony. This is the motto of my study and all through I have contributed towards this end.