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**The Sources of Rhetorical
Thinking Of
Abdul-Qahir El-Gurgany**

**A Study On Two Books
"The Secrets of Rhetoric" and
"The Proofs of Inimitability"**

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SUMMARY

The title of this research is:

The sources Of Rhetorical Thinking For Abdul-Qahir El-Gurgany. A Study Of His Two Books "The secrets Of Rhetoric" and "The Proofs Of Inimitability"

The research consists of three chapter and a conclusion.

Chapter One

The role of syntax in shaping Abdul-Qahir's views on Rhetoric.

This includes two parts.

Part One: The grammatical roots of the theory of Nazm.

I discussed the syntactic context in which the theory of Nazm first started. I pointed out the efforts of some of the grammarians from which **Abdul-Qahir** learned and who helped him shape his ideas in his two books. I also spoke of **El-Qady Abdul Gabbar** who realized the grammatical dimension of the theory of Nazm although he wasn't a grammarian.

Part Two: The function of syntax for Abdul-Qahir.

The goal of this chapter was to highlight Abdul-Qahir's philosophy of syntax and its effect on his approach to the theory of *Nazm* at the level of pattern and art.

Chapter Two:

Theology as a source of Abdul-Qahir El-Gurgany

Part One: The effect of the issue of Inimitability on the theory of Nazm.

I dealt with the issues that were put forward in his discussion of the issue of inimitability, most important of which is that of Nazm . Abdul-Qahir learned about these from previous scholars of theology.

Part Two:

The "Ash" aritedimension in the views of Abdul-Qahir El-Gurgany.

Here, I pointed out his belonging to the Ash 'arite doctrine in his rhetorical views. I spoke about his preferences of the term Nazm and the principled of "abstract idea" and "metaphor". I also spoke Abdul-Qahir;s position on "interpretation".

Chapter Three:

The influence of Aristotle on Abdul-Qahir El-Gurgany

Here, I dealt with the controversial idea that Abdul-Qahir was affected by Aristotean thinking. I studied those main issues upon which researchers based their evidence. These issues are:

- The effect of syntax on style.
- Metaphor
- Al-Takhyeel. (A special type of metaphor).

In presenting these ideas, I pointed out more than one side of similarity between Abdul-Qahir and Aristiptle that substantiates the tendency of there being an influence.

Conclusion

I put forward the following question: which of these sources presented in the study was the most influential on Abdul-Qahir's views on rhetoric which thereby shaped proceeding research?

The study reached the conclusion that theology was the main source of influence that helped shape Abdul-Qahir's rhetorical views.