

Hinduism in Balochistan: Literary and Cultural Impacts Of Pashtoons and Balochs On Hindus of Balochistan

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Abstract:

Hindus of Balochistan play very significant role in promoting and strengthening trade and business for a long period. It is why names of many areas such as (Hindu Bagh now Muslim Bagh) , Bazars (Chaman, Bhag Naree) , Roads (Moti Ram road, Tola Ram road, Zonki Ram road), water channels / Fountains (Hindu Chena located in Kuchlak) and other places show their high role in every sphere of life. In this paper an attempt has been made to study and analyze the advent of scattered Hindus in Balochistan besides their religious customs, and social life. The writers are of the view that they (Hindus) have adopted some of the customs of the region where they dwell yet attached to Hinduism firmly and celebrate their annual festivals zealously. Moreover, this paper unearths the primary causes of decrease in their number. This paper is going to cover the over all status of Hindus and collective behavior of the local population with them.

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