

# A n O p i n i o n

KHAN MOHD SADIQ KHAN, sent to me the script of his latest Book which he is writing about the History of his birth place village Mohammadpur, District- Azamgarh. I got acquainted with him for the first time in a seminar at Hamidia Girl's Degree College, Allahabad in 2007. He is actively engaged in Scholarly pursuits and has already to his credit two Books about the greatness of Azamgarh about which Urdu Poet Iqbal Khan Suhail proudly declared "The partide arising from here attains the glory of greatest star."

Though Mr. Khan is settled in Delhi for a long time still he has maintained his regular touch with his village and the District. He claims to be proud of being product of Shibli School as well as Shibli Post Graduate College, Azamgarh.

After reading his two books "Excavation of Truth" and "Hamare-Hi-Lahu-Se-Bagh-e-Waten-Shadab-Hai" I have no hesitation to say that his writings reflect his strong attachment with the soil of his birth place.

Now his third book, "Gaon Mohammadpur-Umre-Rafta-Se" not only gives a Historical account of his native place Mohammadpur but successfully explores the great past of the area which became Azamgarh District. He has quoted from various Historical and ancient Historian's Books the extensive settlement of Afghan races in the area including his village. He has very successfully explored from the native's Historical narratives, symbolic representations of folk belief, with the History Books to substantiate the ancient Historical facts of the area. He has established from the past records that the Muslims and the Hindus particularly Rajput Hindus of Azamgarh had maintained vary cordial relationship between them and fought together against foreign aggressions.

I am sure and hope his efforts that will be warmly received and will engage the attention and admiration of readers in general and the people of Azamgarh in particular.

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