

AN ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP AN INVENTORY ON SIR MUHAMMAD IQBAL'S SECRET SELF AKA KHUDI

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ABSTRACT

*According to Sir Muhammad Iqbal, the secret of the Self/Khudi is hidden in the gem words of **La-Ila-Ha-Ilallah!** The present paper is an attempt to prepare a questionnaire on Allama Iqbal's Selfhood/Khudi that will measure the extent to which the adults have realized their selfhood/khudi quantitatively. In order to do this, the researcher has rigorously reviewed literature related to Khudi. With the help of it, the researcher, in the current piece of work, initially, briefly presents the life, death, literary contributions of Sir Muhammed Iqbal. Secondly, the evolution and concept of Selfhood/khudi is precisely explained in the light of The Noble Quran. The concept of Selfhood/Khudi is an ocean that is dynamic in nature, which widens and deepens with each understanding. In view of this, a mini review of the Selfhood/Khudi, its aspects, elements, characteristics, stages, and dimensions are reflected and dispensed by the researcher. Lastly, the proposed inventory based on Sir Iqbal's philosophy of Selfhood/Khudi is shared by the researcher in order to establish its content validity and reliability. However, the researcher highly appreciates the constructive feedback from the Mahireen-e-Iqbal and Hafiz-e-Iqbal for further guidance and research as the researcher strongly feels that it is not only an individual effort but a collective responsibility as well to know where the individuals of present era are heading towards and what steps can be taken by the intellectuals (danishwar) of today in a hope of a better tomorrow.*

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