
Analysis of Different Facets of Netization and Discursive Conflict in the Process of Acceptance of Viceroy by Imam Riḍā (as)

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Abstract

This article attempts to present and examine some aspects of netilization and the dimensions of the discursive conflict in the process of accepting Imam Reza's viceroy. Since the acceptance of the Supreme Leader by Imam took place in a particular political atmosphere, his extensive efforts to get away from the intellectual, political and social system of the enemy (rival discourse) and its negation is important in linguistic and practical ways. What is certain is that Raḍavī's political discourse, in the context of the general discourse of Imamate and Wilāyat, and influenced by historical and prolonged conflicts over the discourse of "caliphate and monarchy," has shown various aspects of conflict and oppression.

The results of this study show that Raḍavī's discourse has succeeded in expanding its semantic system and political thought in public opinion of the society and becoming a comprehensive discourse (hegemonic). The use of literature and the methodology of discourse analysis, especially the proposed approach by Laclau and Mufa, is a distinguishing feature of this article that has so far been less widely considered and used.

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