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In the name of God, Most Gracious, Most Merciful

So you, who believe,  
Have endurance in suffering,  
Be patient and persevere,  
Strengthen each other and be firm,  
And be pious and fear God  
That you may prosper."

(AL-IMRAN, 200)

## DEDICATION

To the suffering and persecuted Muslim Minorities of the World and to those endeavouring to help them in securing their basic human rights.

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## WORLD MUSLIM MINORITIES

Full and authentic information and data about Muslim minorities is a pre-requisite to analyse the problems faced by them and for evolving effective and sound solutions to overcome these.

The book fulfills this requirement. It is an upto-date survey of the Muslim minorities of the world, giving details of the advent and growth of Islam in those countries, the composition and areas of concentration of the Muslim population, the number and condition of mosques, state of religious and secular education of the Muslims and their economic condition. The status of religious freedom enjoyed by the Muslim community and its socio-cultural relations with the members of the majority community are portrayed, concluding with enunciation of the major problems faced by the Muslim community.

Numerous tables, appendices, maps and an index provide easy information to the reader about the Muslim minorities.

It has taken the author seven years to collect and analyse the data and information contained in this book. These were collected from various sources including books, journals, scholars and organisations and from many Muslim leaders of the minority communities and then duly vetted and verified for authenticity.

For those interested in the study of the problems facing the Muslim Ummah, particularly the Muslim minorities, many of whom are now passing through traumatic experience, the book is of considerable value.