

## **DIALOGUE AMONG CIVILIZATION FOR THE WORLD PEACE**

*"A view point of Islam"*

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### **Abstract**

*Several major religious faiths and Civilizations exist in the present world. These faiths and Civilizations are playing important role to unite the humanity all over the globe. The humanity is to come together to understand the various faiths and religions. It is the duty of the scholars to arrange common dialogue among them to understand each other.*

*Islam is one of the major religions in the world which expects tolerance and social harmony among different ethnic groups in the world. According to the Islamic faith, the humanity is one race. The Holy Quran explain this as follows: "O mankind we created you from a single (pair) of male and female and made you into nations and tribes, and that you may know each other (not that you may despise each other). Verily the most honoured of you in the sight of Allah is (he who is) the most righteous of you. And Allah has full knowledge and is well acquainted."*

*Islam shares the common understanding between communities of the various religious groups and faiths, and cooperating among these ethnic groups for mutual understanding. It puts an end to violence, extremism, terrorism and wars.*

*The Medina charter and Hudaibiya facts are important examples of how the Holy Prophet of Islam made dialogue and understanding among the various groups of Medina people and with Meccan, Qurais.*

*The Prophet's companions under the Prophet's leadership lived with people of various faiths in peace and harmony. They were able to build the right image of Islam in that way people were attracted towards Islam. The whole Arabia accepted Islam within ten years during the Prophet's time. The message of the Prophet of Islam was sent to important parts of the world to understand the Islamic faith. It practiced tolerance among various faith of the world. "We have indeed created man the best of Moulds. Then do we abase him (To be) the lowest of the low. Except such as believe and to righteous deeds for they shall have reward unfailling.(Holy Quran 95: 4 - 6)*

*The minority people of the various faiths have full protection in the majority Muslims countries. Their faith, culture, property and other rights are some, which they*

*practice without any interference. The power thirsty rulers are the main challenges for the world peace at present world. Iraq and Afghanistan are two examples at the present world. The producer of the new kind of weapons are another problem for the humanity.*

*The United Nation declared the year 2002 as the year of Dialogue among Civilizations. There were several International Seminars, Symposium on this topic all over the world. It continues and has impact among the various groups in the African continent.*

*In this paper, I have shown the people who embraced Islam among various ethnic groups like Arabs, Barbers, Qibtis, Romans, Persians, Indo – Arians etc. from the Western edge of Morocco to the South Eastern continental limit of Indonesia with a colossal Muslim territorial inhabitations living with peace.*

*The Muslims all over the world are in very particular follow Islamic faith whether they are majority or minority. They are respecting the rights of others and expecting the same from others. If these understanding are practiced, there will be no violence, terrorism, wars in the world. The Muslims of Sri Lanka are living with peace from 7<sup>th</sup> century in this island even though there is an ethnic war existing between Sinhala and Tamil communities. Muslims tried to bring peace among them. This has a main focus on this paper.*