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Résumé de l'article

Various studies in recent times have shown how sociohistorical proclivities played an important role in the acceptance or rejection of cross-cultural ideas in Mughal scientific discourses. The cultural patronage of the Mughal courts financed the production and propagation of certain scientific texts deemed intellectually and politically expedient. Among such texts were two seventeenth-century astronomical table-texts, Mullā Farīd's Persian Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī and its Sanskrit translation in Nityānanda's Siddhāntasindhu, both produced at the court of the Mughal Emperor Šāh Jahān.

In this paper, we present, for the very first time, a comparative survey of the canon (text) of these two works to reveal the intimacy between the translated Sanskrit and its Persian original. The paper includes brief biographies of both astronomers, a summary of the salient features of the canons, a description of the manuscripts utilised and our transcription and transliteration schemes, along with a detailed comparison of the individual chapters in these canons. We also provide separate appendices with discussions on select aspects from these chapters. We note that this paper forms the first part in a two-part study, with a second forthcoming paper surveying the tables in these two texts (accompanied with mathematical annotations).

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 CULTURES OF ASTRONOMY AT THE MUGHAL COURT

T N RECENT YEARS, many studies have brought to light the complex nature of L scientific discourses at the Mughal courts where political and philosophical preferences have variously influenced the admission and admonition of cross-cultural ideas.¹ Modern biographical studies of Mughal royals and elites have also discussed their proclivity for sponsoring scholarship across different disciplines.² In the astral sciences, the Islamicate tradition of composing zījes (in Arabic and Persian) continued to enjoy patronage under the Mughal rule (see, e.g., Ghori 1985; Ansari 2015),3 and contemporaneously, important Sanskrit mathematical works were also translated into Persian under Mughal sponsorship (see, e.g., Ansari 2019:pp. 384-86, that describes the Mughal architect ^cAṭā³ Allāh Rušdī's Persian translation *Tarjuma-yi Bījganit* (c. 1634/35) of Bhāskara II's Bījaganita, an acclaimed twelfth-century Sanskrit treatise on Algebra). By and large, the support of the mathematical sciences—astronomy being one among the quadrivium of the mathematical sciences along with number theory, geometry and musical theory—came to be institutionalised in the Mughal world as scientific patronage became a means to legitimise the intellectual authority of the Mughal state.4

¹ For example, see the studies of Gansten (2020), Misra (2021; 2022a), and Plofker (2022) in the astral sciences; of Moin (2012), Amanat (2014), Melvin-Koushki (2019), and Orthmann (2019) in the occult sciences; of Speziale (2018), Parpia (2019), Schlein (2019), and Tiefenauer (2019) in the life sciences; and more generally, of Alam and Subrahmanyam (2011), Haider (2011), Busch (2019), and Nair (2020) on the socio-philosophy of science in early modern Mughal India. For recent studies on the development of the secular sciences in pre-Mughal times, e.g., during the Delhi Sultanate (1206–1526), see Siddiqui (2012), Ray (2019), and Habib (2022).

² See, inter alia, Anooshahr (2017) (on Humāyūn), Wink (2012) (on Akbar), Balabanlilar (2020) (on Jahāngīr), Calabria (2018) (on Šāh Jahān), Gandhi (2020) (on Dārā Šikūh), Lefèvre (2014) (on ʿAbd al-Raḥīm Ḥān-i Ḥānān), and more expansively, see Ojha (1961), Sahay (1968), Soucek (1987), Kozlowski (1995), and Truschke

⁽²⁰¹⁶⁾ for larger discussions on Mughal patronage. Also see Sharma (2009), Busch (2010; 2011), Kinra (2015), and Sharma (2017) for studies on the literary arts in early modern India, especially, on the Mughal patronage of vernacular and Persianate poetry, and Orsini and Schofield (2015), Koch and Anooshahr (2019), and Truschke (2021) for essays on the Mughal milieu rendered through imperial iconography and subaltern narratives.

³ In Islamicate astronomy, a $z\bar{\imath}j$ (ARA pl. $z\bar{\imath}j\bar{a}t$) is a handbook of astronomical, mathematical, calendrical, and geographical tables with accompanying text (called canon) on its technical use and theoretical underpinning. See Mercier (2008) and Van Brummelen (2014) for encyclopedic descriptions of a $z\bar{\imath}j$.

⁴ See Brentjes (2009) for a more capacious study of patronage of the mathematical sciences in the Islamicate world (including in the Mughal sultanate), and the social and material consequences of various forms of

It is, perhaps, not surprising then to find two early-seventeenth century astronomers, a Muslim scholar named Mullā Farīd and his Hindu counterpart Pandit Nityānanda Miśra, working under the injunctions of Emperor Šāh Jahān's court to translate the former's Persian $Z\bar{\imath}-i$ Šāh Jahānī into the latter's Sanskrit $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$. Here, the act of commissioning the translation of a typical Persian $z\bar{\imath}j$ into an atypical Sanskrit $Siddh\bar{a}nta$ (a traditional scientific treatise) is as much an activity of consolidating power as it may be of acculturating knowledge. In this study, we present, for the very first time, a comparative survey of the entire canon (text) in Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j-i$ Šāh Jahānī and Nityānanda Miśra's $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$ in an effort to illustrate the intimacy between the translated Sanskrit and its Persian original.

We note here at the outset that this study only surveys the canons in these two texts, which, in keeping with the genre of astronomical table-texts, include a vast number of tables of various kinds (like, e.g., calendrical, mathematical, astronomical, geographical, etc.). A detailed survey of the tables from these texts, along with apposite mathematical discussions, is to follow in an ensuing publication that would form the second and final part of our comprehensive survey of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ and the $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$.

Presently, we begin this study (in § 1.2) with a brief biography of Mullā Farīd and his $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahānī, followed by a similar biographical sketch of Nityānanda Miśra and his Siddhāntasindhu (in § 1.3), before summarising some of the more salient features of the canons of these two texts (in § 1.4). This is followed by a description of the manuscripts utilised in our study (in § 2), and of our transcription and transliteration schemes (in § 3). Lastly, we present (in § 4) a detailed comparative survey of the individual chapters from the canon in the Persian $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$ and the Sanskrit $Siddh\bar{\imath}ntasindhu$, typeset in parallel columns to allow for easy comparison. At the very end of this article, we describe certain aspects from select chapters in fuller detail in individual appendices.

institutional support. More broadly, see Steele (2015) and Šprajc (2016) for studies on the intimacy between astronomy and politics in various scientific civilisations, and Rezavi (2007) and Tabrez (2019) for the social history of education under the Mughal rule.

Persian cultural sphere was Indianised at the Mughal courts. Conversely, many Persianate scholars at the Mughal courts were also familiar with Sanskrit knowledge systems: for example, as Singhania (2009) shows, the Āʾīn-i Akbarī of Abū l-Fażl-i 'Allāmī, the grand vizier and biographer of Emperor Akbar (r. 1556–1605), contains many technical discussions that reveal how its author was intimately acquainted with Sanskrit astronomical ideas.

⁵ As a comparable example of the phenomenon of acculturation, see Wade (1998) that offers an ethnomusicological and art historical study on how music from the

1.2 MULLĀ FARĪD AND HIS ZĪJ-I ŠĀH JAHĀNĪ

Mullā Farīd al-dīn mas^cūd ḥāfiz ibrāhīm dihlavī (commonly known as Mullā Farīd) is described in several court chronicles as a prominent astronomer active during the reigns of the Mughal emperors Jahāngir (r. 1605–27) and Šāh Jahān (r. 1628–58). According to the chronicle Ma³āṭir-i Raḥīmī of ʿAbd al-Bāqī Nahāvandī, Mullā Farīd was given pride of place among the scholars at the court of the Mughal minister and general ʿAbd al-Raḥīm Ḥān-i Ḥānān (d. 1627), having been hired by Ḥān-i Ḥānān in 1597/8 (AH 1006) and still on his payroll as late as 1616/17 (AH 1025) (MR, pp. 14–15 in Vol. 3).

Later in his career, Mullā Farīd attached himself to the service of the Mughal minister Āṣaf Ḥān, who instructed him to compose the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$, a computational $z\bar{\imath}j$ modelled on Uluġ Bīg's celebrated $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i jadād-i Sulṭāni but set to an epoch corresponding to the vernal equinox of the regnal year of Emperor Šāh Jahān enthronement (i.e., the epoch of 21 March 1628 that marked the beginning of the $t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h$ $il\bar{a}h\bar{\imath}-yi$ Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$ 'the divine era of Šāh Jahān'). Several Persian chronicles mention that Mullā Farīd was assisted in this task by his brother Mullā Ṭayyib, a noted astronomer and astrologer in his own right (see, e.g., AṢ, p. 361 in Vol. 1, and also MŠJn, p. 82, where Mullā Farīd is said to have been assisted by an unnamed brother).

According to the $Tabaq\bar{a}t$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (also quoted in the Nuzhat $al-haw\bar{a}t$ ir), Mullā Farīd died in 1629/30 (AH 1039) (TŠJ, p. 48, and Nh, p. 601). In fact, the $T\bar{a}r\bar{i}h$ -i $Muhammad\bar{\imath}$ gives an even more precise Hijri date of 2 Rabī^c al-Avval in the year 1039 (corresponding to October 19, 1629) (TM, f. 162v), but, according to Ghori (1985: 34), this date is incorrect since the positions of the stars in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ are calculated for the year 1631/2 (AH 1041).

1.2.1 The Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī, its origins and structure

While the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ is overwhelmingly based on the fifteenth-century $z\bar{\imath}j$ of Uluġ Bīg (i.e., the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $jad\bar{\imath}d$ -i $Sulṭ\bar{a}ni$ or more commonly, the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Uluġ $B\bar{\imath}g$), it does, however, contain notable differences compared to its medieval precursor. To a large extent, these differences are a product of the changing times (along with a change of meridian) as the tradition of composing $z\bar{\imath}j$ es advanced in early modern Mughal India. In fact, some of the novelty in Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ can be traced back to his earlier works, in particular, his $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$ (1617/8 or AH 1026) that also bears resemblance to the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Uluģ $B\bar{\imath}g$ and, in many ways, may be thought of as an earlier version of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$.7 Much of what is found

time, the only known extant copy of this work is held at the Mar^cašī Najafī library in Mashhad (Iran). As Ansari describes, this manuscript "ends abruptly on fol. 227 with the table for the first equation of Saturn,

⁶ A more comprehensive biography of Mullā Farīd and his milieu can be found in Arzoumanov (2023).

⁷ Mullā Farīd's Zij-i $Rah\bar{n}m\bar{i}$ is briefly described in Ansari (2015). At the present

in Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ appears first in his $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$, although there are notable differences between the two texts.⁸ For example, the introduction (muqaddama) of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ is significantly longer in comparison to the one found in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$, and includes heterogeneous content collated from earlier works along with newer additions.⁹

The introduction of the Zij-i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$ contains, inter alia, a description of the difference between observational and computational $z\bar{\imath}j$ es; definitions of what constitutes raṣad 'observation', a $z\bar{\imath}j-i$ $his\bar{a}b\bar{\imath}$ 'computational $z\bar{\imath}j$ ', and a $taqv\bar{\imath}m$ 'almanac or ephemerides'; a praise of Uluġ Bīg's astronomical tables; and an extolment of 'Abd al-Raḥīm's Ḥān-i Ḥānān's name and titles in chronograms ($t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h$, pl. $tav\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h$) along with a comparison of these chronograms to other numbers (like, e.g., astronomical parameters) found elsewhere in the text. Going beyond, the introduction of the $Z\bar{\imath}j-i$ $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ contains additionally a list of older computational $z\bar{\imath}j$ es, discussions on the etymology of the word $z\bar{\imath}j$, the meaning of $tash\bar{\imath}l$ 'facilitation or simplification', and the purposes of $taqv\bar{\imath}m$, $z\bar{\imath}j$ es, and rasad.

Interestingly, some of these preliminary definitions—like those of $taqv\bar{t}m$, $z\bar{\imath}j$, and $ra\bar{\imath}ad$ —appear to be taken from Mullā Farīd's earliest known work, the $Sir\bar{a}j$ al- $istiljr\bar{a}j$ (1597/8 or ah 1006) even as their discussions are somewhat amplified in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ralim\bar{\imath}n\bar{\imath}$ (and then again, in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Sah $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$).

reckoned from the zodiacal sign Gemini $(Jawz\bar{a}^{\circ})''$ Ansari 2015: p. 583. Over all, the Zīj-i Raḥīmī appears to contain newer tables compared to the Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg on which it is largely based upon; this is supported by Ansari's observation that "a large number of tables have been added in order to simplify (*Tashīl*) the calculation of ephemerides (*Taqwīm*) of Sun, Moon, and Saturn. In fact, the author has clearly explained two methods for the calculation, by not using or using Tashīl; in the latter case the interpolation between the entries of a table are not required (ff. 113b, 114a)" Ansari 2015: p. 583. Ansari also suggests that the Zīj-i Raḥīmī was composed around 1617/8, noting that as "Mullā Farīd tabulated the equation of time (*Ta^cdīl al-Ayyām*) for the Sun and Moon for the year AH1026 / AD1617 (ff. 152b, 153a), it appears that he might have been compiling ZR [the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$] around that year" Ansari 2015: p. 582.

8 Beyond minor differences in numbering, the structure and order of certain chapters in the Zīj-i Uluģ Bīg and Mullā Farīd's two zījes are noticeably different: the twenty-second chapter from the second discourse

(i.e., maqāla 2: bāb 22) in the Zīj-i Raḥīmī is a conflation of the twenty-second chapter from the second discourse (i.e., maqāla 2: bāb 22) and the twelfth chapter from the third discourse (i.e., magāla 3: bāb 12) of the Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg, and this chapter then appears as the thirteenth chapter in the third discourse (i.e., maqāla 3: bāb 13) of the Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī. 9 Of particular note is the adaption of the section on zījes from Abū l-Fażl's Ā̄^vīn-i Akbarī (c. sixteenth century) in the first part (qism) of the introduction of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahānī. For example, Mulla Farid provides here an account of earlier astronomers (starting from Antiquity) who made observations, and this account corresponds to an identical description given by Abū l-Fażl in his $\bar{A}^{\bar{\gamma}}$ *n-i Akbarī* (cf. $\bar{A}A$, p. 266 in Vol. 1, Part 2 and remark 2 in [§ ID.1] on page 116).

10 The *Sirāj al-istilīrāj* is a short treatise that enjoyed popularity as an introductory text to astronomy as the relatively large number of extant manuscripts and ancillary citations seem to suggest; see Arzoumanov (2023) for a fuller discussion on Mullā Farīd's *Sirāj al-istilīrāj* relative to his complete oeuvre.

As further examples, the praise of Uluġ Bīg in (the first part of) the introduction of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$ is significantly longer than what is similarly found in (the second part of) the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Raḥ $\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$; and in (the second part of) the introduction of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$, Mullā Farīd argues for the superiority of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$ over previous $z\bar{\imath}j$ es—a novel addition compared to the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Raḥ $\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$.

Also, in (the third part of) the introduction of the $Zij-i\check{S}\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$, Mullā Farīd offers a numerological excursus on the name of his new patron Emperor Šāh Jahān instead of his earlier sponsor 'Abd al-Raḥīm Ḥān-i Ḥānān whose name he has already analysed in (the third part of) the introduction of his Zij-i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$. And finally, towards the very end of the introduction of the Zij-i Šāh $Jahān\bar{\imath}$ (in the fourth part), Mullā Farīd discusses the calculative corrections, inventions, and additions to the Zij-i Uluġ $B\bar{\imath}g$ that he now introduces in his Zij-i $S\bar{\imath}ah$ $Jahān\bar{\imath}a$ for the very first time.

Overall, comparing the other discourses ($maq\bar{a}la$) of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$ and the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$, we find that, in the first discourse, the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$ follows the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Ulug $B\bar{\imath}g$ near verbatim, while the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ contains many new chapters ($b\bar{a}b$) like, e.g., the one introducing the divine era of $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n$ ($t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h$ $t\bar{a}h\bar{\imath}-yt$ $t\bar{a}h$ $t\bar{a}h\bar{\imath}-yt$ $t\bar{a}h$ $t\bar{\imath}-yt$ $t\bar{a}h$ $t\bar{\imath}-yt$ $t\bar{\imath}-z$ $t\bar$

At the end of its first discourse, the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$ contains a table listing the festivals (according to the different calendrical eras) that is more expansive compared to the festivals listed in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Ulug $B\bar{\imath}g$. However, in his $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Z\bar{\imath}h$ $Iah\bar{\imath}n\bar{\imath}h$, Mullā Farīd augments this table of festivals by including Hindu festivals based on the Indian eras (see Appendix § I). Also, while the second chapter in the third discourse (i.e., $maq\bar{\imath}la$ 3: $b\bar{\imath}ab$ 2) of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$ includes a chapter on the horoscope and numerology of 'Abd al-Rah\bar{\imath}m's Hān-i Hānān, the same chapter in the third discourse of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Z\bar{\imath}ah$ $Z\bar{\imath}$

The ninth and fourteenth chapters from the third discourses (i.e., $maq\bar{a}la$ 3: $b\bar{a}bs$ 9 and 14) of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$ and the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ both contain identical discussions on the Indian astrological concepts of bust and bhadra, and on the ominous planet al-Kayd of Islamic astrology respectively. Here, the contents of both these chapters are reproduced near-verbatim in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ from the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$.

And finally, the second chapter in the forth discourse (i.e., $maq\bar{a}la\ 4$: $b\bar{a}b\ 2$) of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ - $i\ \bar{S}\bar{a}h\ Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ on the Islamicate idea of the 'ascendant of the world' (i.e., the ascendant at the Aries ingress) is completely new and not found in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ - $i\ Rah\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$.

1.3 NITYĀNANDA AND HIS SIDDHĀNTASINDHU

Very soon after mullā farīd completed his $z\bar{\imath}_{J-1}$ šāh $\jmath_{AH\bar{A}N\bar{\imath}}$, or perhaps near-contemporaneously towards the end, a Hindu Pandit named Nityānanda Miśra (fl. 1630/50) was commissioned by Āṣaf Ḥān, the prime minister ($vaz\bar{\imath}r$ -i $a^c\bar{\jmath}_{am}$) of Šāh Jahān, to translate into Sanskrit Mullā Farīd's Persian $z\bar{\imath}_{J}$. The circumstances surrounding this commission are described by the seventeenth-century Mughal historian Mīrzā Muḥammad Ṭāhir Ḥān Āšnā (alias 'Ināyat Ḥān) in his abridged chronicle of Emperor Šāh Jahān, the Mulahhas-i Šāh $j_{ah}ahan$ -i mama (MŠJn, p. 82):

چون متضمن فواید بسیار و ضوابط و قواعد بی شمار بود تا فایده آن عموم بهم رسانند حکم شد که نجومیان هندوستان باستصواب منجمان فرس بزبان هندوستان ترجمه نمایند.

čūn mutażammin-i favāyid-i bisyār u żavābiṭ-i bī-šumār būd tā fāyida-yi ān ^cumūm ba ham rasānand ḥukm šud ki nujūmīyān-i hindūstān ba istiṣvāb-i munajjimān-i furs ba zabān-i hindūstān tarjuma namāyand.

Since [this Persian $z\bar{\imath}j$, i.e., the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $\check{S}\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$] contained many advantages and countless rules, an order was given that Indian astronomers translate it into the language of Hindustan with the approval of Persian astronomers so that the public may profit from it.¹¹

In fact, Nityānanda describes the story of his patronage in the preface (*granthārambha*) of this commissioned Sanskrit translation, the *Siddhāntasindhu*:

तस्य प्रेरणया नृपालमुकुटालङ्कारचूडामणि-र्मामाज्ञापितवान्सुतन्त्रकरणे लोकोपकाराय यत् ॥ श्रीमच्छाहजहाँप्रकाशममलं सिद्धान्तसिन्धुं स्फुटम् नित्यानन्द इति प्रसिद्धगणकः कर्तुं समीहे ततः ॥ २४ ॥

tasya preraṇayā nṛpālamukuṭālaṅkāracūḍāmaṇir mām ājñāpitavān sutantrakaraṇe lokopakārāya yat || śrīmacchāhajahāmprakāśam amalaṃ siddhāntasindhuṃ sphuṭam nityānanda iti prasiddhagaṇakaḥ kartuṃ samīhe tataḥ || 24 ||

Since he who is the crown jewel in the head ornament of kings [i.e., Āṣaf Ḥān] ordered me by his command to compose a beautiful treatise for the benefit of men, for that reason this Nityānanda, a celebrated mathematician, endeavoured to compose the *Siddhāntasindhu* that is pure and precise resembling [the tables of] the venerable Šāh Jahān. 24

Sanskrit text quoted in this paper are the authors' own.

¹¹ Henceforth, unless otherwise indicated, all English translations of the Persian and

There is little known about Nityānanda's life by way of historical testimony beyond the names of his patrilineal ancestors and the place of his origin (in Indrapurī or Old Delhi). A brief biographical account of Nityānanda's life and works (reconstructed from the scant colophonic information available on him) is described in Misra (2022a: 11–12).

However, the patronage of Hindu astronomers/astrologers (*jyotiṣas*) at the Mughal courts is certainly well documented (see, e.g., Minkowski 2014), and to a large extent, their presence was legitimised by the endorsement of the astral sciences by successive Mughal emperors. Misra (2021: 32–43) provides a concise sociohistorical account of the culture of translating astronomy in early-modern Persianate India, and in particular, Nityānanda's advent as a Hindu mathematician-astronomer (*gaṇaka-jyotiṣa*) in service of the Mughal court of Šāh Jahān.

1.3.1 The Siddhāntasindhu, its novelty and enterprise

Nityānanda called his Sanskrit translation the *Siddhāntasindhu* 'An ocean of doctrinal truths', and in many ways, his text was as much a recipient of the intellectual endowments of the Mughal milieu as he himself was of the material benefaction of Mughal sponsorship.

The $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$ is a complex scholastic, scientific, and sociocultural experiment of bringing Islamicate ideas into the discourse of Sanskrit astronomy of seventeenth-century Mughal India. The structure of its canon mimics that of a Persian $z\bar{\imath}j$ with a preface ($granth\bar{a}rambha$, lit. the beginning of a book), an introduction (granthamukha, lit. the mouth of a book), and four distinct parts ($k\bar{a}ndas$, lit. joints of the stalk or stem of a plant); see Table 1.

At the very outset, this arrangement is novel compared to anything seen in any of the Sanskrit astronomical texts prevalent at the time. In traditional Sanskrit *siddhāntas*, technical (calculative) topics were often discussed under topical headings (*adhikāra*)—like those on calculating the mean positions of planets (*madhyama*), their true positions (*spaṣṭa*), the 'three questions' of determining the direction, place, and time (*tripraśna*), etc.—subsumed under a chapter on computations (*gaṇitādhyāya*). However, in his *Siddhāntasindhu*, Nityānanda imitates the arrangement of the chapters of the Persian original with perhaps an ambition of transmitting the organisation of Islamicate astronomy as well as the prestige of Mughal patronage. In fact, this latter intention is evident in an original Sanskrit composition Nityānanda includes at the beginning of the preface of his *Siddhāntasindhu* (see § P.1 on page 106). In it, he exalts Šāh Jahān's imperial lineage and regnal calendar in metrical Sanskrit poetry in an effort to impress upon the reader the magnanimity of his patron's being.¹²

12 A critical edition with an annotated English translation of this original San-

Throughout the *Siddhāntasindhu*, Nityānanda translates Mullā Farīd's Persian passages in an ad hoc mixture of Sanskrit prose and metrical verses, and in several instances, augments his translations with additional explanatory statements not found in the Persian original (see, e.g., Misra 2021: 57–60 that compares the structure of the chapter on computing the true declination of a celestial object in Mullā Farīd's *Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī*, Discourse II.6 and Nityānanda's *Siddhāntasindhu*, Part II.6). In many ways, these pedagogical additions reveal Nityānanda's own conception of the intended utility of his text as a propaedeutic for Sanskrit astronomers attempting to learn Islamicate astronomy. Also, the fluency of his translations attests to his intimacy with the Persian language in much the same way as its thoroughness testifies to his knowledge of astronomy. Over all, the *Siddhāntasindhu* is Nityānanda's bold enterprise in using language, logic, and mathematics to transcreate a new treatise in Sanskrit astronomy with ideas originating in several older works of Islamicate astronomy.

1.4 HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CANONS OF THE $Z\overline{I}J$ -I $S\overline{A}H$ $JAH\overline{A}N\overline{I}$ AND THE $SIDDH\overline{A}NTASINDHU$

T able 1 describes the divisions of the canon in Mullā Farīd's Zij-i Šāh Jahānī and Nityānanda's Siddhāntasindhu in parallel. The distribution of the chapters in the introduction and the four discourses/parts of these two texts is described in Table A1 (in Appendix A). 14

Among the many features of the canons of both these texts, the following are some of the more salient observations that come to the fore.

- 1. Nityānanda begins his *Siddhāntasindhu* with a preface (*granthārambha*) that includes a Sanskrit prolegomenon (*prathamāvasara*) not found in Mullā Farīd's *Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī*; see [§ P.1]. In it, he summarises the different calendrical eras described in this text and proposes a system of converting between them (Misra forthcoming).
- 2. In translating Mullā Farīd's Persian passages into Sanskrit, Nityānanda's language often appears to be grounded in the linguistic and cultural ambit of his source. For instance, instead of *Indianising* the foreign content, he

skrit prolegomenon from the preface of Nityānanda's *Siddhāntasindhu* is to appear in Misra (forthcoming).

¹³ In fact, in his second text the *Sarvasiddhāntarāja* (1639), he transforms his exposition of Islamicate astronomy to suit the more traditional paradigms of a Sanskrit *siddhānta*—in essence, anonymising the origins of 'foreign' ideas by ascribing them to divine revelations in lieu of human

authorship—and by doing so, attempts to cater to his learner's autochthonous sensibilities better; see Misra (2022*b*: 71–83).

¹⁴ To allow for comparative cross-referencing, we have enumerated the individual chapters (like, e.g., "[§ ID.5]"), enclosing them in square brackets to indicate that they are modern editorial additions and not those made by any of the scribes of the Sanskrit or Persian manuscripts.

composes his Sanskrit passages in a manner that reflects its adventitious origins: prime examples of this can be seen in his Sanskrit translations of the praises to Allah (in $[\S P.2]$) and to prophet Muḥammad (in $[\S P.3]$), and in his Sanskrit eulogy to Šāh Jahān (in $[\S P.4]$) wherein he emulates the original Persian meter and terminal rhyme in his metrical encomium (Arzoumanov and Misra forthcoming).

That said, on certain occasions, particularly when translating technical computations, Nityānanda has chosen to culturally appropriate the context of the calculation to suit his local readership: for example, in translating Mullā Farīd's computation of Qibla (i.e., the direction of Mecca), he changes the locus from Mecca to Kāśī and then proceeds to explain the procedure identically: see [§ II.20].

3. For the most part, Nityānanda provides precise translations to reflect the linguistic fidelity of his work in relation to its source. For example, in his exhaustive translations of technical and non-technical material in the first part of the introduction (in [§ ID.1]), he renders into Sanskrit Mullā Farīd's discussion on the etymology of the Persian word $z\bar{\imath}j$ (see Appendix § D), or in translating the praise of Uluġ Bīg, he translates the string of effusive Persian epithets applied to the Samarqand astronomer using corresponding Sanskrit appositives.

More astutely, he transcribes into Devanāgarī Persian proper names, titles of works, and certain technical terms (e.g., PER: $z\bar{\imath}j$ 'tables' to SAN: $j\bar{\imath}ca$ or PER: raṣad 'observation' to SAN: rasada) in a manner that perhaps reflects some of the ways in which Persian was spoken at the Mughal courts of his time; see, e.g., the list of earlier Greek and Muslim astronomers (in [§ ID.1]); the lists of earlier Islamicate $z\bar{\imath}j$ es (in Appendix § B) and simplification tables (in Appendix § C); or statements on the utility of $z\bar{\imath}j$ es, almanacs, and observations (in Appendix § E).

- 4. For technical topics like, e.g., the definitions of various calendrical terms in different calendar systems (see Appendix § F), Nityānanda translates formal Persian expressions using apposite Sanskrit equivalents. In the fourth part of the introduction (in [§ ID.4]), he translates into Sanskrit the 101 technical additions/improvements Mullā Farīd has self-admittedly made to the Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg, drawing upon his extensive knowledge of Sanskrit astronomy to identify equivalent terms for Islamicate astronomical concepts. In fact, his mastery of the vocabulary of Sanskrit astronomy is evident by looking at his translations of the technical topics in the twenty-two chapters of the second part (see [§ II.1]–[§ II.22]) and the fifteen chapters of the third part (see [§ III.1]–[§ III.15]) of his Siddhāntasindhu.
- 5. However, Nityānanda's translations are not always exhaustive: in some instances, entire passages (or sections) are completely omitted. For example,

Nityānanda does not translate Mullā Farīd's statements on the numerology of the name 'Šāh Jahān' on account of its irrelevancy; see [§ ID.3].

Similarly, in the first part of the *Siddhāntasindhu* (in [§ I]) describing the different calendrical eras—including the newly instituted era of Šāh Jahān (see Appendix § G)— Nityānanda does not translate into Sanskrit Mullā Farīd's Persian descriptions of the Chinese-Uyghur calendrical era (see [§ I.9] of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$). More significantly, he also omits translating Mullā Farīd's descriptions of the Hindu calendrical eras (see Appendix § H), presumably believing Sanskrit reader were already familiar with these topics.

In contrast, in the tenth chapter of the first discourse of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$, Mullā Farīd includes a unique calendar of festivities following the prevalent Muslim and Hindu traditions (see Appendix § I), which Nityānanda notably excludes from his translation.

- 6. In Nityānanda's *Siddhāntasindhu*, each of the three parts of the text terminates with a colophon; see [§ I.col], [§ II.col], and [§ III.col]). No corresponding colophons are found at the ends of the three discourses of Mullā Farīd's *Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī*.
- 7. Lastly, the canon in Mullā Farīd's Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī is a remarkably composite text that weaves together passages from the Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg—copied (near-)verbatim in several instances—and material from other Persian texts, as well as the author's earlier works. The Indian context of this zīj is made very apparent by Mullā Farīd's discussions of, inter alia, the Hindu calendrical eras (in [§ I.7]), Indian religious festivals (in [§ I.10]), and inauspicious hours (i.e., bust and bhadra) according to Indian astrology (in [§ III.9]); see (Arzoumanov 2023). The author's augural and ample descriptions of the 'divine era of Šāh Jahān' (in [§ P.3], [§ ID.3], and more elaborately in [§ I.1]) also serve as an excellent historical example of promotional and sponsored scientific content.

Table 1: Structure of the canon in Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i Šāh Jahān $\bar{\imath}$ vis-à-vis the canon in Nityānanda's $Siddh\bar{\imath}ntasindhu$.

Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī	Siddhāntasindhu
[§ P] Preface	[§ P] ग्रन्थारम्भ (granthārambha) 'Preface'
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Containing

- 1. a حمد (hamd) 'Praise of God' (in [§ P.1]);
- 2. a نعت (na^ct) 'Praise of the Prophet' (in [§ P.2]);
- 3. a praise of Šāh Jahān and his regnal era (in [§ P.3]); along with
- 4. a praise of Aşaf Hān and the commissioning of a new zīj named after Šāh Jahān (in [§ P.4]).

Containing

- 1. the प्रथमावसर (prathamāvasara; lit. the first occasion), i.e., the Prolegomenon (in [§ P.1]);
- 2. the यवनोक्तमङ्गलाचरण (yavanoktamangalācaraṇa, lit. a benediction according to the Muslims, in [§ P.2])—a Sanskrit translation of the Islamic *hamd*;
- 3. the भगवद्भक्तवचन (bhagavadbhaktavacana, lit. the sayings of the Devotee of God, i.e., of the Prophet, in [§ P.3])—a Sanskrit translation of an Islamic nact, citing hadiths;
- 4. a praise of Sāh Jahān and his regnal era (in [§ P.4]); along with
- 5. a praise of Āṣaf Ḥān and the commissioning of a new siddhānta named after Šāh Jahān $(in [\S P.5]).$

(muqaddama) مقدمه 'Introduction'

([§ ID.1-§ ID.5]).

[§ ID] ग्रन्थमुख (granthamukha) 'Introduction'

In پنج قسم (panj qism) 'five parts' In पञ्चप्रकार (pañcaprakāra, lit. five kinds), i.e., in five parts ([§ ID.1–§ ID.5]).

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(maqāla-yi avvalīn) مقاله اولين [8] 'First discourse'

In ده بات (dah bāb) 'ten chapters' $([\S I.1-\S I.10]).$

(maqāla-yi duvum) مقاله دوم 'Second discourse'

 $b\bar{a}b$) 'twenty-two chapters' ([§ II.1– 'twenty-two § II.22]).

(maqāla-yi sīvum) مقاله سيوم 'Third discourse'

In يانزده باب (pānzdah bāb) 'fifteen In पञ्चदशाध्याय (pañcadaśādhyāya) 'fifchapters' ([§ III.1–§ III.15]).

čahārum) 'Fourth discourse'

Contains the بات اول (bāb-i avval) 'first هفت فصل with فصل chapter' ([§ IV.1]) (haft fasl) 'seven sections' ([§ IV.1.i-(bāb-i بات دوم bāb-i), and a final duvum) 'second chapter' ([§ IV.2]).

[§I] प्रथमकाण्ड (prathamakānda) 'First part'

सप्ताध्याय In (saptādhyāya) 'seven chapters' ([§ I.1–§ I.7]), with sectionterminal colophon ([§ I.col]).

[§ II] द्वितीयकाण्ड (dvitīyakānda) 'Second part'

بيست (bīst u dū In **द्वाविंश**त्याध्याय (dvāviṃśatyādhyāya) chapters' ([§ II.22]), with section-terminal colophon ([§ II.col]).

[§ III] तृतीयकाण्ड (trtīyakānda) 'Third part'

teen chapters' ([§ III.1-§ III.15]), with section-terminal colophon ([§ III.col]).

[§ IV] مقاله چهارم (maqāla-yi A corresponding fourth part is absent (according to the only near-complete MS Kh; see page 101).

2 MANUSCRIPT SOURCES

2.1 THE ZĪJ-I ŠĀH JAHĀNĪ OF MULLĀ FARĪD

 $\mathbf{B}_{Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\iota}}$ that are variously complete in their extent. These manuscripts are held at different libraries across India, Iran, Russia, Tajikistan, the United Kingdom, and Uzbekistan. ¹⁵

2.1.1 Manuscripts consulted

In preparing this comparative survey, we consulted seven manuscripts of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ that were fully or partially complete. These are briefly described in Table 2

Table 2: Description of the manuscripts of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $\check{S}\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$.

Siglum Manuscript Description

- D MS 2007 from the Rudaki Institute of Language, Literature, Oriental and Writing Heritage, Dushanbe, 403 folia, Persian Nastaliq, decorated headpiece (*sarlawḥ*) above the text on first folio, *c.* seventeenth century. See ROSEN-İHSAN (p. 358).
- H MS $riy\bar{a}z\bar{\imath}$ $f\bar{a}rs\bar{\imath}$ 302 from the Telangana Government Oriental Manuscripts Library and Research Institute, Hyderabad, 412 folia, Persian Nastaliq, c. eighteenth century. (From the ex-Āṣafīya collection.)
 - *Acknowledgement*: We are very grateful to Dr Kaveh F. Niazi for providing us a complete digital copy of this manuscript gratis.
- L MS Or. 372 from the British Library, London, 419 folia, 31 lines per folio, $13\frac{34}{8}$ × $8\frac{1}{2}$ inches, Persian Nastaliq in red and black ink, c. seventeenth century. See RIEU (pp. 459b–60b).
- O MS Ind. Inst. Pers. 12 from the Bodleian Library, Oxford, 380 folia, 25 lines per folia, $13\frac{1}{4} \times 9\frac{3}{6}$ inches, Persian Nastaliq in red and black ink, *c*. seventeenth century. See BEESTON (p. 61b, no. 2735).
 - Acknowledgement: We are very grateful to Alasdair Watson, the Bahari Curator of Persian Collections at the Bodleian Library, for providing us a complete digital copy of this manuscript gratis.

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¹⁵ A fuller catalogue description of the extant manuscripts of Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ can be found

at https://ceemsa.hypotheses.org/manuscripts_zij_i_shah_jahani.

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- Q MS 14012 from the Mar^cašī Najafī Library, Qom, 409 folia, 29 × 20 cm, Persian Nastaliq written within red and golden ruled margins, decorated headpiece (*sarlawḥ*) above the text on first folio, copied on 10 Dū l-qa^cda 1082 (March 8, 1672) by Muḥammad Sa^cīd b. ^cAbd al-^cAzīz b. Muḥammad Ṣādiq Zāhid. See MARASHI (pp. 457–7; [mis]catalogued as Zīj-i Raḥīmī).
- R MS 1218 from the Rampur Raza Library, Rampur, 344 folia, Persian Nastaliq, *c*. eighteenth century. See RAMPUR (p. 344; [mis]catalogued with the accession number '1222').
- S MS Leningrad Univ. no. 97 from the Maxim Gorky Scientific Library of St Petersburg University, St Petersburg, 428 folia, Persian Nastaliq, c. eighteenth century. See SMANN-ROSEN (p. 16).

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2.2 THE SIDDHĀNTASINDHU OF NITYĀNANDA MIŚRA

A CCORDING TO MOST RELIABLE CATALOGUES, there are just a handful of near-complete manuscripts of the Siddhāntasindhu currently extant. 16

MMSM (pp. 138–143) describes four manuscripts held at the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum Library at the City Palace in Jaipur that are perhaps the best preserved copies of this text; namely, MSS 4960, 4961, and 4962 from the Khasmohor (HIN: khās muhar, lit. special seal) collection and MS 23 from the Museum collection. These three Khasmohor manuscripts are also referenced in CESS (A3, p. 173b) as (presumably identical to) three Jaipur (II) manuscripts of 441 ff, 536 ff, and 442 ff, 17 and in CESS (A5, p. 184a) as 'Jaipur (Khasmohor)

¹⁶ A post-colophonic note (in vernacular Hindi) at the end of two manuscripts (MSS Khasmohor 4960 and Museum 23) of the *Siddhāntasindhu* lists nine historical recipients (seventeenth-century Mughal elites) among whom copies of this text were distributed; see Misra (2021: 50–51). However, at the present time, there are only five near-complete manuscripts of the text extant. A fuller catalogue description of the extant manuscripts of Nityānanda's *Siddhāntasindhu* can be found

at https://ceemsa.hypotheses.org/manuscripts_siddhantasindhu.

¹⁷ CESS (A3, p. 173b) describes three Jaipur (II) manuscripts of 441 ff, 536 ff, and 442 ff. David Pingree, in CESS (A2, p. 29b), identified the Jaipur (II) collection as the 'List of MSS. by Dr. Kunhan Raja of the Jaipur Pothikhana in poss. of V. Raghavan. Handwritten'. In the introduction to his A Descriptive Catalogue of the Sanskrit Astronomical Manuscripts Preserved at the Maharaja Man Singh II Museum in Jaipur, In-

4960; 4961; and 4962′. The MS 23 from the Museum collection is also listed in MJM (p. 58, Serial No. 249E).

Beyond these four manuscripts, there is a few other manuscripts of the *Siddhāntasindhu* catalogued in CESS (A₃, p. 173b and A₅, p. 184a). Almost all of them are fragmentary copies, with the exception of RORI (Alwar) 2627 (= MS Alwar 2014) held at the Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute in Jodhpur that is attested as being complete; see RORI (pp. 602–603, Serial No. 5401E).

2.2.1 Manuscripts consulted

In preparing this comparative survey, we consulted three manuscripts of the *Siddhāntasindhu*, of which one is a near-complete copy and two are fragmentary copies.¹⁸ These are briefly described in Table 3.

the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum Library at the City Palace in Jaipur as a part of the Khasmohor/Museum collection. Despite repeated entreaties over the last several years, we have been unsuccessful in obtaining complete copies of any of these manuscripts, except one (Khasmohor 4960). Regrettably, the board of trustees of the City Palace Museum refuse to provide complete copies of any of the manuscripts in their holdings, and even substantial partial copies (in any digital format) are rarely given to visiting scholars.

dia, Pingree describes some of the manuscripts in the Pothikhana collection, instituted by Sawai Jai Singh II, as copies of those from the Khasmohor collection; see MMSM (pp. xiii). Therefore, it is quite likely that these three Jaipur (II) manuscripts from the Pothikhana (hin: pothī khānā, lit. library) collection are copies of the three manuscripts from the Khasmohor collection described above, even though the individual manuscripts in these two collections attest to slightly different total number of folia.

¹⁸ The majority of the near-complete manuscripts of the *Siddhāntasindhu* are held at

Table 3: Description of the manuscripts of the Siddhāntasindhu.

Siglum Manuscript Description

Al MS 2627 (catalogued under Serial No. 5401 E, identical to MS 2014) from the Alwar collection held at the Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute in Jodhpur, 441 folia, 25/26 lines per folia, 28 × 37.5 cm, Sanskrit Nāgarī, writing parallel to the shorter edge and enclosed within framed margins on each folio, bound to the left, copied in 1855 (1912 Vikram Saṃvat), identified as a collection of tables (sāraṇī-saṃgraha). See RORI (Alwar) (pp. 604–05) and CESS (A3, p. 173b, and A5, p. 184a).

Acknowledgement: We are very grateful to Prof. Kim Plofker for providing me digitised photocopies of 145 folia of this manuscript (containing the text of the preface, the introduction, and the first two parts) to include in this study. These photocopies were originally made for Prof. David Pingree, and the physical copy is stored at the John Hay Library at Brown University (stored in box C-24X, barcode 3-1236-07181-3961, call number 2826).

MS 4962 from the Khasmohor collection held at the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum Library at the City Palace in Jaipur, 436 folia (incomplete, with missing ff. 1 and 3 and damaged f. 2), 21–30 lines per folio, 37 × 25 cm, Sanskrit Nāgarī script with red and black ink, writing parallel to the shorter edge and enclosed by double-ruled four-sided margins on each folio, bound to the left with side-sewing stitches and held between red-and-blue striped cloth-covered boards and book flap, property of Jagannātha Jośī acquired for 100 rupees. See MMSM (p. 143)

Acknowledgement: We are very grateful to Dr Chandramani Singh, (retired) Director of the Archives of the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum Library, for her assistance in acquiring a complete digital copy of this manuscript back in 2014.

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Pg A collation of photocopies of parts of two different (unidentified) manuscripts of the *Siddhāntasindhu* held at the John Hay Library at Brown University (stored in box C-50X, barcode 3-1236-07181-4324, old box number 43). According to the 2016 consolidated handlist of manuscripts prepared by Prof. Kim Plofker for the David Pingree collection held at the John Hay Library at Brown University, this copy is tagged as

'Important work on Islamic math; mentions Nityananda + Shah Jahan, based on Siddhantasindhu.'

The same identification appears on the first page of this collated photocopy in the handwriting of Prof. David Pingree.

The first manuscript in this photocopy—with writing parallel to the long edge as is conventional for Sanskrit *pothī*-like manuscripts—includes the second part (*dvitīyakāṇḍa* or [§ II]) of the canon over ff. 1v–6r, until the end of the fourth chapter (*caturthādhyāya* or [§ II.4]). On the top of f. 1v, Prof. Pingree suspects this manuscript to be 'BORI 579 of 1895/1902'; however, this identification is inaccurate according to the manuscript catalogue of the Bhandarkar Oriental Research Institute (BORI) in Pune.¹⁹

Note: We describe this information on the first manuscript for reference; we do not, however, include this incomplete manuscript in our comparative survey.

The second manuscript in this photocopy—with writing parallel to the short edge resembling a Persian bound book—includes, inter alia, the entire preface (*grathārambha* or [§ P]), introduction (*granthamukha* or [§ ID]), and the first part (*prathamakāṇḍa* or [§ I]) of the canon, as well as the second part (*dvitīyakāṇḍa* or [§ II]) until the middle of the fourth chapter (*caturthādhyāya* or [§ II.4]) over ff. 1v–18r, 27v, and 28r.²⁰

Note: Our reference to MS Pg in our comparative survey refers to this second manuscript from this collation of photocopies.

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Remark: The (second) manuscript Pg includes marginal text by the scribe that describe some unconventional palaeographic conventions. For example, at the end of the Fourth part of the Introduction (i.e., [§ ID.4]), we find an enumerated list of additions/improvements included in the $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$ (translated via a similar list seen in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$) where the scribe of MS Pg inscribes a ring above the numbers: for instance, $\tilde{\xi}\tilde{\chi}$ ' \tilde{G}^2 ' or $\tilde{g}\tilde{\chi}$ ' \tilde{g}^2 ' on f. 9v. At the end of the list, this convention is explained (in the right margin on f. 10r) as

atra bindūpalakṣaṇāni mayā likhitāni nānyāni

Here, no other cypher marks (*bindu-upalakṣana*) [besides these] are written by me.

uscript to be either Khasmohor 4960 or Museum 23 held at the Maharaja Sawai Man Singh II Museum Library at the City Palace in Jaipur. However, at the time of writing, we have not been able to identify this manuscript definitively.

¹⁹ The manuscript 'BORI 579 of 1895/1902' is a work entitled *Śaṅkuchāyāyābhuja-sādhanam*, 24 folia, of anonymous authorship.

²⁰ Judging by the photocopy, and based on what is described in the catalogue MMSM (pp. 138–143), we suspect this second man-

3 TRANSCRIPTION AND TRANSLITERATION SCHEMES

W E ADOPT THE FOLLOWING TRANSCRIPTION/TRANSLITERATION SCHEMES in rendering the Arabic (Ara), Chinese (Chin), Hindi (Hin), Persian (Per), Sanskrit (San), and Turkic (Tur) text in the Roman (Latin) script.

- 1. The text in Arabic, Persian, and Turkic is transcribed into Latin characters following the transcription scheme adopted as a part of the *Perso-Indica* research and publishing project.²¹ Table 4 lists this transcription scheme. As special notes:
 - (a) for Arabic transcription, the article is always transcribed as 'al-' and the *alif maqṣūra* is transcribed as '-à' (e.g., مصطفى Muṣṭafà); and
 - (b) for Persian transcription, the *iżāfa* is rendered as *-i* or *-yi*; the silent و is transcribed (e.g., خواستن *ḥwāstan*); the final ه is not transcribed (e.g., نامه nāma); and compound words are separated with a dash (e.g., شاهنامه Šāh-nāma).
- 2. The text in Sanskrit and Hindi is transliterated following the International Alphabet of Sanskrit Transliteration (IAST) scheme. In vernacular Hindi words (typically, in the Devanāgarī renderings of Persian words), certain characters are transliterated into the Latin script using the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) 15919 scheme, e.g., डी is transliterated as rī, खाँ as khām, etc. Commonly attested words of Indian origin (e.g., Hindu, Brahmin, Mughal, Varanasi, etc.) are presented without diacritics.

Remarks:

- (a) In transliterating Devanāgarī renderings of certain Persian words, especially names, consecutive un-sandhied vowels are indicated with a diaeresis on the terminal (second) vowel to show a separation of words (padaccheda); for example, जीचउलगबेगी (parsed as jīca-ulaga-begī) is transliterated as jīcaülagabegī.
- (b) Nityānanda has (or, at the very least, the scribes of the three manuscripts consulted have) near-consistently made use of certain Devanāgarī diacritic (from vernacular Hindi) to render particular Persian letters. These include $\vec{\mathbf{1}}$ ($ga\check{m}$) for $\dot{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$ ($\dot{\boldsymbol{g}}$) and $\vec{\mathbf{1}}$ (ya) for $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ (°). We preserve these choices in this paper; see, e.g., the Sanskrit transliterations $J\bar{\imath}ca-b\bar{\imath}liga\check{m}$ (PER: $Z\bar{\imath}j-i$ $b\bar{\imath}li\dot{g}$) and $J\bar{\imath}ca-y\underline{\imath}lakh\bar{\imath}an\bar{\imath}$ (PER: $Z\bar{\imath}j-i$ $\bar{\imath}lh\bar{\jmath}an\bar{\imath}$) in Appendix § B.
- 3. Chinese words are transliterated into Latin following Pinyin (hànyǔ pīnyīn).

²¹ See http://www.perso-indica.net.

Table 4: Chart of Latin transcription of Arabic/Persian characters following the transcription scheme of the project *Perso-Indica*. Courtesy: Fabrizio Speziale.

Letter	Latin transcription	Letter	Latin transcription	Letter	Latin transcription
Ĩ	ā	ر	r	ف	f
ب	b	ز	Z	ق	q
پ	p	ڗ	ž	ک	k
ت	t	س	s	گ	g
ث	<u>t</u>	ش	š	ل	1
ج	j	ص	ş	م	m
چ	č	ض	Ż	ن	n
ح	ķ	ط	ţ	و	v/w [†] or ū/aw (as long vowel/diphthong)
خ	þ	ظ	Ż	٥	h
د	d	ع	c	ی	y or ī/ay (as long vowel/diphthong)
ذ	₫	غ	ġ	Í	5

 $^{^{\}dagger}$ $_{\text{o}}$ is transcribed as 'w' in Arabic syntagms.

4 A COMPARATIVE SURVEY OF THE CANONS

ZŠJ ff. 1v–2v D ff. 1v–3r H	$[\S P]$ $[Preface]^1$	[§ P] ग्रन्थारम्भ (granthārambha, lit. the beginning of the book): Preface	SS ff. 1r–5v Al ff. 2r–7r Kh
ff. 2v-3v L ff. 4v-6r O f. 1v Q [†] pp. 2-5 R [‡]	[-] A corresponding prolegomenon is absent	[§ P.1] प्रथमावसर (prathamāvasara, lit. the first occasion): Prolegomenon	ff. 1v–6v Pg SS ff. 1r–3r Al ff. 2rv Kh
ff. 1v-2v S † The Qum manuscript contains only the first page of the pro- logue.		Begins with: श्री गणेशाय नमः । śrī gaṇeśāya namaḥ Obeisance to Ganeśa.	(incomp.) ff. 1v–3v Pg
[‡] The two folia are badly damaged and the end is missing.		Ends with: इति ग्रन्थारम्भतः प्रथमावसरः । iti granthārambhataḥ prathamāvasaraḥ Thus ends the prolegomenon from the preface.	

Remarks Contains, inter alia,

- 1. a benediction (mangalācaraṇa);
- 2. the genealogy of Šāh Jahān beginning from Timūr;
- 3. a (shorter) eulogy of Šāh Jahān and Āṣaf Ḥān;
- 4. the reasons for translating the Persian *Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī* into the Sanskrit *Siddhāntasindhu*;
- the conversion between the calendrical eras of Vikramārka (Vikram Saṃvat), Śālivāhana (Śāka), Saljūq King Jalāl al-Dīn Malik Šāh I (jalālī or malakī),

brackets for comparison with the Sanskrit. Additionally, a dash '–' preceding a manuscript siglum (in the margin) is used to indicate the absence of the corresponding chapter in the respective manuscript.

¹ Henceforth, any text enclosed in square brackets indicates an editorial addition not found in the original text. As the Persian text sometimes lacks chapter headings, these have been supplied here inside square

SS

Rūmī (rūmī or sikandarī), Hijri (hijarī, arabī, or cāndrābdagaṇa), Yazdgirdī (yajdajiradī, kadīmī, or pārasī), and of Šāh Jahān (śāhajahānī or ilāhī); and

6. a colophon identifying Nityā-nanda's ancestry.

A critical edition with an annotated English translation of the Sanskrit text of the prolegomenon is to appear in Misra (forthcoming).

ZŠJ [\S **P.1**] f. 1v D [\searrow (hamd): Praise of God] f. 1v H

Begins with:

f. 2v L f. 4v O

f. 1v O

p. 2 R

f. 1v S

حمد بی حد خالقی را سزد که مهندس قدرت شاملهاش در تقویم درجات مخلوقات دقیقه از دقایق فرو نگذاشت

ḥamd-i bī-ḥadd ḥāliqī rā sazad ki muhandis-i qudrat-i šāmila-š dar taqvīm-i darajāt-i maḥlūqāt daqīqa az daqāyiq furū nagudāsht

Boundless praise is suitable to the Creator whose comprehensive engineering power did not neglect any small detail (daqīqa az daqāyiq, lit. minute by minute) in the adjustment (taqvīm, also an 'almanac') of the degrees of the creatures.

[§ P.2]

यवनोक्तमङ्गलाचरण (yavanoktamaṅgalā- f. 3r Al caraṇa, lit. a benediction according to f. 4r Kh the Muslims): a Sanskrit translation of f. 3v Pg the Islamic hamd

Begins with:

अथ यवनोक्तमङ्गलाचरणादिलिखनं । तस्य विश्व-कर्तुरपारमिहमा तद्योग्यो ऽस्ति । यस्य शक्तिरेव शिल्पादिकलाकलापकोविदा सर्वत्र व्यापिका भूतांशपरिस्फुटत्वे कलामेकामिप न तत्याज ।

atha yavanoktamangalācaraṇādilikhanam | tasya viśvakartur apāramahimātadyogyo 'sti | yasya śaktir eva śilpādikalā-kalāpakovidā sarvatra vyāpikā bhūtāṃśaparisphuṭatve kalām ekām api na tatyāja |

Now, the writing beginning with a benediction spoken by the Muslims. The boundless greatness of that Creator of the world is befitting Him whose very power, an all-pervading [power] adroit in the totality of the arts like [the science of] form etc., did not dismiss even one small part (*ekā-kalā*, lit. one arcminute) in the distinct manifestness (*parisphuṭatva*, contextually, an 'almanac') of the degrees of living beings.

Ends with:

ta^cālà šānuhu u ^camma ihsānuhu

May the eminence of the Almighty be elevated and His benevolence universal.

 $[\S P.2]$

[نعت (na^ct): Praise of the Prophet]

Begins with:

و صلوات بی غایت بر مرکز دایره نبوت و قطب سپهر رسالت

u salāt-i bī-ġāyat bar markaz-i dāyira-yi nubuvvat u qutb-i sipihr-i risālat

Endless blessings be upon the centre of the circle of prophethood (*nubuvvat*) and pole of the celestial sphere of apostleship (*risālat*).

Ends with:

و على اصحابه الراشدين المهديين كه از حديث اصحابى كالنجوم بايهم اقتديتم اهتديتم وصف هدايتشان ييدا

u ^calà aṣḥābihi l-rāšidīn al-mahdiyyin ki az hadīt ashābī ka-l-nujūm bi-ayyahum End with:

अहो परमेश्वरो महानुभावः सर्वफलप्रदः । इत्येवं रीत्या यवनैः परमेश्वरस्य स्तुतिः कृता ।

> aho parameśvaro mahānubhāvah sarvaphalapradah | ityevam rītyā yavanaih parameśvarasya stutih krtā |

> "O God, the Almighty One, the Giver of all benefactions", thus in this way the praise of God is accomplished by the Muslims according to custom.

|§ P.3|

भगवद्भक्तवचन (bhagavadbhaktavacana, ff. 3rv Al lit. the sayings of the Devotee of God, ff. 4rv Kh i.e., of the Prophet): a Sanskrit transla- ff. 3v-4r Pg tion of an Islamic na^ct, citing hadiths.

Begins with:

अथ भगवद्भक्तमण्डलकेन्द्ररूपस्य दौत्यकृद्भपञ्जर-ध्रुवसदृशस्य मुनेरुपरिभगवतः कृपानन्तास्ति यत् ।

bhagavadbhaktamandalakendraatha dautyakrdbhapañjaradhruvarūpasya sadrśasya muner upari bhagavatah krpānantāsti yat |

Now, endless compassion of God is what is [shown] over the Seer who is the centre of the circle of the prophets of God (bhagavadbhakta) [and] resembles the pole of the sphere of asterisms of messengers (dautyakṛt).

Ends with:

पुनर्दृष्टमार्गाणामन्यमार्गदर्शकानां भगवद्भक्त-मित्राणामुपरिभगवतः कृपा भवन्ति । मित्राणि नक्षत्रतुल्यानि भवन्ति भो यमनुसरिष्यथतमवश्यं प्राप्स्यथेति भगवद्भक्त-वचनादेतेषां मार्गदर्शित्वकीर्तिः प्रकटास्ति ।

dṛṣṭamārgāṇām punar anyamārgadarśakānām bhagavadbhaktamitrānām

ZŠJ f. 1v D

f. 1v H f. 2v L f. 4v O

f. 1v O

f. 1v S

p. 2 R

SS

ff. 4v-5v Kh

ff. 4r-5r Pg

iqtadaytum ihtadaytum vasf-i hidāyatašān paydā

And [may God's praise be] on his rightly guided companions whose guidance is described with this hadith: "My companions are like the stars; whomever among them you follow, you will be rightly guided."

 $[\S P.3]$

[In praise of Sāh Jahān and his regnal eral

Begins with:

اما بعد چون بعنایت بی نهایت حضرت بادشاه علی الاطلاق خدیو کیوانرفعت... ammā ba^cd čūn ba ^cināyat-i bī-nihāyat-i hażrat-i bādšāh-i ^calà l-itlāg hadīv-i kayvān-raf^cat...

Thus it starts: since by the endless grace of the Absolute Emperor, the King who is Saturn-like in elevation,...

Ends with:

روز دوشنبه 2 هشتم جمید الثانی سنه 1 هزار و سی و هفت هجری بر سریر سلطنت و خلافت جلوس فرمودند و مبدء تاريخ جدید سعید الهی شاهجهانی در تقاویم و تواریخ ازین سال خجستهمآل نمودند و آغاز نفاذ آمور مملكت بران ساعت سعادت انجام نهادند و همین تاریخ دستور العمل کارگزاران

upari bhagavatah krpā bhavanti | mama mitrāni naksatratulyāni bhavanti bho lokā yam anusarisyatha tam avasyam prāpsyatheti bhagavadbhaktavacanād eteṣām mārgadarśitvakīrtiḥ prakaṭāsti |

Moreover, the compassions of God are over the companions of the Prophet who are the others guides of valid paths. "My companions are like asterisms: O people, whom[ever] you will follow, you will certainly obtain [right guidance in him," from such a statement of the Prophet [from the hadith,] the glory of guidance of these [companions of the Prophet] is manifest.

[§ P.4]

[In praise of Sāh Jahān and his regnal ff. 3v-4v Al era]

Begins with:

अथ यदि सकलब्रह्माण्डनायकस्यानन्तकृपया श्चानिकक्षोच्छायवन्महान्...

atha yadi sakalabrahmāndanāyakasyānantakṛpayā śanikakṣocchrāyavan mahān...

Now, if by the infinite grace of the Lord of the entire universe, the Noble One, possessing an elevation like the orbit of Saturn,...

End with:

सप्तत्रिंशदुत्तरसहस्रप्रमिते १०३७ हिजरीशके वर्तमाने जमीदलसानीमासे मध्यमाख्याष्टमदिवसे सोमवासरे सराज्याभिषेकं प्राप्तवान्सिंहासने तस्थौ ततः प्रभृति शाहजहानी नवीनः समीचीनः शाकः पञ्चाङ्गपत्तेषु लोकव्यवहारेषु च प्रवृत्तस्तदा प्रभृति राज्यकार्यपरिचालनारंभो जातः । पुनरयं शाको राज्यभारग्रहणसमर्थानामभ्यासेन दिक्ष विदिक्ष च प्रसिद्धो ऽभत्।

ff. 1v-2r D f. 2r H ff. 2v-3r L ff. 4v-5r O f. 1v Q

p. 3 R

ff. 1v-2r S

ZŠJ

rūz-i dū-šanba² haštum-i jumayd al-tānī sana 1037 hazār u sī u haft hijrī bar sarīr-i salṭanat u hilāfat julūs farmūdand u mabda²-i tārīh-i jadīd-i sacīd-i ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī dar taqāvīm u tavārīh az īn sāl-i hujasta-ma²āl namūdand u āġāz-i nafād-i umūr-i mamlakat bar ān sācat-i sacādat-anjām nihādand u hamīn tārīh dastūr al-camal-i kār-guzārān-i bārgāh-i salṭanat šud čunānči dar aṭrāf u aknāf-i cālam šuyūc yāft

On Monday,2 the eighth of the month of Jumayd al-tānī, the year 1037 of Hegira, [Sāh Jahān] sat on the imperial and caliphal throne. He set the beginning of a new fortunate era [called] the Divine [era] of Šāh Jahān (ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī) in the almanacs (taqvīm) and chronicles (tārīḥ) [counting] from this auspicious year. started to implement sovereign affairs on this blessed hour. This same date became administrative practice for the officers of the imperial court since it gained publicity in every part of the world.

Remark Contains, inter alia, ten verses praising Emperor Šāh Jahān and his full regnal name:

saptatrimśaduttarasahasrapramite hijarīśake vartamāne jamīdalasānīmāse madhyamākhyāstamadivase somavāsare sarājyābhisekam prāptavān simhāsane tasthau tatah prabhrti śāhajahānī navīnah samīcīnah śākah pañcāṅgapattresu lokavyavahāresu са pravrttas prabhrti rājyakāryaparicālanārambho jātah | punar ayam śāko rājyabhāragrahanasamarthānām abhyāsena diksu vidiksu ca prasiddho 'bhūt |

In the year 1037 of the Hijri era (*hijarīśaka*) in the present time, in the month of Jumayd al-tānī (jamīdalasānī), on the eight day called the middle [of the lunar fortnight], on Monday, obtaining that royal unction, [Emperor Šāh Jahān] was established on the throne, [and] from that moment, the new true era [called] Šāh Jahānī circulated in the almanacs (pañcāngapattra) and common customs (lokavyavahāra), [and] from that point its circulation in state affairs commenced. Moreover, this era became famous in all directions [of the world] on account of [its] use in undertaking and sustaining the weight of the [duties of the] state.

Remark Contains, inter alia, ten verses praising Emperor Šāh Jahān and his full Persian regnal name (in Devanāgarī):

مطابق اول ۵۵۰ ناقص جلالي

muṭābiq-i avval 550 nāqiṣa jalālī equal to the first incomplete [year] 550 [of the] Jalālī era

² Manuscripts S and L insert here the following:

अवल-मुजफर-शाहिब्बदीन-महम्मद-साहिब-। ابو المظفر شهاب الدين صاحب قران ثاني شأهجهان بادشاه غازي

abū l-muzaffar šihāb al-dīn sāhib qirān-i tānī šāh-jahān bādšāh-i ģāzī

Father of the victorious, Star of faith, Lord of the second conjunction, King of the world (*šāh-jahān*), Emperor, Conqueror.

[§ P.4]

ZŠĮ

ff. 2rv D

ff. 2r-3r H

ff. 5r-6r O

ff. 3rv L

pp. 3-5 R

ff. 2rv S

f. - O

In praise of Aşaf Ḥān and the commissioning of a new zīj named after Šāh Jahān]

Begins with:

درین اثنا بخاطر خطیر و ضمیر فیض پذیر...

dar īn atnā ba hātir-i hatīr u żamīr-i fayżpadīr...

In this moment, [it came] to the esteemed and gracious mind [of Aşaf Ḥān|...

Ends with:

ملتمس از محققان و مدققان این فن آن است که چون بر سهوی و نسیانی که لازم انسان است اطلاع یابند آنچه از تقویم و تعدیل خارج باشد بقلم كريم تصحيح فرموده بذيل عفو در پوشند فٰمن عٰفی واصلح فاجرہ علی

multamas az muḥaqqiqān u mudaqqiqān-i īn fann ān ast ki čūn bar sahvī u nisyānī ki lāzim-i insān ast iṭṭilā^c yāband ānči az taqvīm u ta^cdīl hārij bāšad ba qalam-i karīm taṣḥīḥ farmūda ba dayl-i cafw dar pūšand fa-man ^cafà wa-aṣlaḥa fa-ajruhu ^calà llāh

किरान-सानी-शाहजहा-बादिशाह-गाजी

abala-mujaphara-śāhibbadīna-mahammadasāhiba-kirāna-sānī-śāhajahā-bādiśāha-gājī

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In praise of Aşaf Ḥān and the commis- ff. 4v-5v Al sioning of a new siddhānta named after ff. 5v-7r Kh Šāh Jahān] ff. 5r-6v Pg

Begins with:

एतस्मिनन्तरे प्रसन्नहृदयस्य जगत्प्रयोजितदयस्य महामात्यप्रधानस्य...

etasmin antare prasannahrdayasya jagatprayojitadayasya mahāmātyapradhānasya...

After this event, [Aṣaf Ḥān] of a delightful heart, the one who is compassionately attached to the world, the exalted Prime minister...

Ends with:

अथैतच्छास्त्रसारकोविदान्प्रति विज्ञप्तिश्चेयं केयमुच्यते यदि कुत्रापि मनुष्यधमेत्वान्मम भ्रान्तिमशुद्धत्वं वा भवन्तः पश्यन्ति कुपालेखन्या शोधनं च कृत्वापराधक्षमण-रूपपटान्तरेण च पिधाय रक्षन्तु । यः कश्चिद-पराधक्षमणं करोति शोधयति चेति तस्मै प्रत्य-पकारवेतनफलमीश्वरो दास्यतीश्वरो ब्रूते ।

athaitacchāstrasārakovidān prati vijnaptiś keyam ucyate yadi kutrāpi manusyadharmatvān mama bhrāntim aśuddhatvam υā bhavantah paśyanti tadā kṛpālekhanyā śodhanam ca kṛtvāparādhakṣamaṇarūpapaṭāntareṇa ca pidhāya raksantu | yaḥ kaścid aparādha[My] request to scholars who verify and scrutinise this discipline is the following: when they come across the errors and lapses which are inherent in humanity, may they correct with a gentle pen everything that deviates from the almanac $(taqv\bar{t}m)$ and adjustment $(ta^cd\bar{t}l)$ [i.e., the corrective equations to mean positions] and hide it under the hem of their pardon. Whoever forgives and corrects, his recompense lies with Allah.

Remarks Contains, inter alia,

1. epithetic praise of Āṣaf Ḥān; ending with his titular name:

muqarrab-i ḥażrat-i sulṭānī yamīn al-dawla āṣaf-jāhī āṣaf-ḥān

Intimate of His Imperial Majesty, Right hand of the State Āṣaf Jāhī, Āsaf Hān;

- statements on the commissioning of a new zīj named after Šāh Jahān;
- the name of its author Mullā Farīd:

فرید ابراهیم دهلوی farīd ibrāhīm dihlavī kṣamaṇaṃ karoti śodhayati ceti tasmai praty upakāravetanaphalam īśvaro dāsyatīśvaro brūte |

And now what is [my] request towards those learned in the essence of this science [of *jyotiṣa*], this is said: when, anywhere [in this text], they find my error or inaccuracy on account of the inherent nature of man, may they then examine it with a compassionate pen, and having made the correction and having covered it within the hem of [their] patience for transgressions, may they hide it. And thus, whoever patiently endures transgressions and corrects, God (*iśvara*) will give the fruit of favourable returns to him—thus proclaims God.

Remarks Contains, inter alia,

- 1. epithetic praise of Āṣaf Ḥān (āsaphakhāna), ending with his titular name:
 - प्रभुनिकटवर्तिनो दक्षिणसम्पत्तिरासफ-जाही-आसफ-खान
 - prabhunikaṭavartino dakṣiṇa-sampattir-āsapha-jāhī-āsapha-khāna Remaining close to the Lord [i.e., near Šāh Jahān], the Right hand of prosperity Āṣaf Jāhī, Āṣaf Ḥān;
- statements on the commissioning of a new siddhānta named after Šāh Jahān;
- 3. the Sanskrit translation of the name of its author Mullā Farīd:

मुल्ला-फरीद-इबराहीम-पुत्र-ढिल्ली-निवासिन् mullā-pharīda-ibarāhīma-putradhillī-nivāsin Farīd, [son of] Ibrāhīm, of Delhi;

- 4. thirty distichs on the composition of this $z\overline{\eta}$;
- 5. the complete title of the Zij-i Šāh $Jahān\bar{\imath}$:

kārnāma-yi ṣāḥib qirān-i ṯānī zīj-i šāh-jahānī

The Great Work of the Second Lord of Auspicious Conjunction, the *Zīj* of Šāh Jahān; and

6. an entreaty to the readers to correct any shortcoming in the text.

- Mullā Farīd, son of Ibrāhīm, inhabitant of Delhi;
- 4. thirty verses in praise of the distinction of this text;
- 5. the Devanāgarī transcription of the full Persian title of the *Zīj-i* Šāh Jahānī:

कारनामै-साहिब-किरान-सानी-जीच-शाह-जहानी

kāranāmai-sāhiba-kirāna-sānī-jīcaśāhajahānī; and

6. an appeal to the readers to correct any errors in the text.

ZŠI ff. 2v-5v D ff. 3r-6v H ff. 3v-6v L ff. 6r-ov O

f. - Q

pp. 5-8 R

ff. 2v-6r S

[§ ID]

مقدمه (muqaddama):

Introduction

Begins with:

अथेदं पुस्तकं ग्रन्थमुखेन चतुर्भिः काण्डैश्च در بیان آنچه پیش از شروع این کتاب دانستن آن ضروری است و آن مشتمل است بر پنج

dar bayān-i ānči pīš az šurūc-i īn kitāb dānistan-i ān zarūrī ast u ān muštamil ast bar panj qism

On what needs to be known before starting this book. It contains five parts (qism).

ZŠI ff. 2v-3v D ff. 3rv H

ff. 3v-4r L ff. 6r-7r O

f. - Q f. – R ff. 3rv S [§ ID.1]

اول (qism-i avval):

First part

Begins with:

در بیان آنکه رصد و زیج و تسهیل و تقویم چیست و در دانستن آنها چه فایده

dar bayān-i ānki raṣad u zīj u tashīl u taqvīm čīst u dar dānistan-i īnhā či fāyida

On the question of observation (raṣad), tables $(z\bar{\imath}j)$, simplification $(tash\bar{\imath}l)$ and almanac (taqvīm) and on the advantage of knowing them.

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ग्रन्थमुख (granthamukha, lit. the mouth ff. 5v-1or Al of the book): Introduction

ff. 7r-12r Kh ff. 6v-1ov Pg

SS

Begins with:

निबध्यते । ग्रन्थमुखं किमिति कथ्यते । यद्रन्था-रम्भतः प्रागेवोपेक्षितं भवति तत्पञ्चप्रकारं वर्तते ।

athedam pustakam granthamukhena caturbhih kāndaiś са nibadhyate granthamukham kim iti kathyate | yadgranthārambhataḥ prāgevopeksitam bhavati tatpañcaprakāram vartate

Now, this book is bound with the Introduction (granthamukha, lit. the mouth of the book) and with four parts (kānda). What is the Introduction, that is [now] said: what is indeed regarded as succeeding the preface (granthārambha), that [Introduction] exits in five parts (pañcaprakāra, lit. five kinds).

[§ ID.1]

प्रथमप्रकार (prathamaprakāra, lit. the first ff. 5v-7r Al

kind): First part

ff. 7r-8v Kh ff. 6v-8r Pg

SS

Begins with:

प्रथमप्रकारे रसद इति वेधः । जीच इति सिद्धान्तः । तसहील इति सारणी । तकवीम इति ग्रहस्फुटत्वमेतेषां लक्षणं प्रयोजनं च ।

prathamaprakāre rasada iti vedhah | jīca iti siddhāntah | tasahīla iti sāranī | takavīma iti grahasphuţatvam eteşām lakşanam prayojanam ca |

In the first part, the definition and purpose of these [topics such as] rasada meaning insight (vedha, lit. piercing), jīca meaning a canon (siddhānta), tasahīla meaning a [simplification] table (sāraṇī), and takavīma meaning

the true position of a celestial object (*grahasphuṭatva*) [i.e., an almanac].

Remarks Contains, inter alia,

1. a definition of the technical term *rasad*:

مخفی نماند که رصد عبارت است از نظر کردن در احوال اجرام علوی بآلات مخصوصه چون لبنه و سدس فخری و ذات الشعبتین و ذات الثقبتین و ذات الحلقه و ذات الحلق و غیر آنکه حکما بجهت این غرض وضع کرده اند تا بدان آلات دانسته شود مواضع ستارگان در فلک و مقدار حرکات ایشان در طول و عرض و بعاد آنها از یکدیگر و از زمین و بزرگی و کوچکی اجرام آنها و آنچه باان ماند

maḥfī namānad ki raṣad cibārat ast az naṣar kardan dar aḥvāl-i ajrām-i culvī ba ālāt-i maḥṣūṣa cun libna u suds-i faḥrī u dāt al-ṣucbatayn u dāt al-ḥalqa u dāt al-ḥilaq u ġayr-i ān ki ḥukamā ba jihat-i īn ġaraż vażc karda and tā badān ālāt dānista šavad mavāżic-i sitāragān dar falak u miqdār-i ḥarakāt-i īšān dar ṭūl u carż u abcād-i ānhā az yak-dīgar u az zamīn u buzurgī u kūcakī-yi ajrām-i ānhā u ānci badān mānad

It is well known that observation (*raṣad*) designates the action of observing the states of celestial objects with specific instruments, such as the quadrant (*libna*), Faḥr

Remarks Contains, inter alia,

1. a description of the technical term *raṣada* (PER: *raṣad*):

यत्पूर्वाचार्ये रचितं लिबने । सुद्सफखरी । जातलशावतेन । जातलशुकवतेन । जातलहिलक । जातलहलका । चेत्यादि यन्त्रवेधयोग्यं तेन यन्नक्षत्रग्रहिबम्बसंस्था विलोकनं तद्रसद् इत्यिभधीयते । तेनाकाशे दैर्घ्यविस्तारयोः को ऽर्थो मेषाद्यस्फुटत्व-शरयोर्ग्रहसंस्थितभुक्तिपरिमाणं पुनर्ग्रहाणां परस्परान्तरं पुनर्भूगर्भग्रहिबम्बयोरन्तरा-भिधः कर्ण इति पुनर्नक्षत्रग्रहिबम्बन्यूना-धिकत्वमन्यदिष ज्ञातुं शक्यते ।

yatpūrvācāryai racitam libanai | sudasaphakharī | jātalaśāvataina | jātalaśukavataina | jātalahilaka | jātalahalakā | cetyādi yantravedhayogyam tena yannaksatravilokanam grahabimbasamsthā tadrasada ity abhidhīyate | tenākāśe dairghyavistārayoh ko 'rtho meṣādyasphuṭatvaśarayor grahasamsthitabhuktiparimānam punar grahāṇāṇ parasparāntaraṃ punar bhūgarbhagrahabimbayor bhidhah karna iti punar naksatragrahabimbanyūnādhikatvam anyad api jñātum śakyate |

What things like quadrants (libana), Faḥr al-Dawla's sextant (sudasa-phakharī), the triquetrum (jātala-śavataina), the dioptra (jātala-śukavataina), the armillary

al-Dawla's sextant [created by al-Ḥujandī] (suds-i faḥrī), the triquetrum (dāt al-ĕucbatayn), the dioptra (dāt al-ṭuqbatayn), the armillary ring (dāt al-ḥalqa), the armillary sphere (dāt al-ḥilaq) etc., which scientists have invented for this purpose, so that by them they may know the positions of the stars on the sphere, the measure of their movements in longitude and latitude, their distance from one another and from the Earth, their size, big or small, and such things;³

- sphere (jātala-hilaka), the armillary ring (jātala-halakā) etc. were conceived by earlier teachers, [they are] useful observational instruments (yantra-vedha-yogya, lit. useful in fixing the position of celestial objects by mechanical contrivances). [And] with them, observing the arrangement of the planetary discs and constellations is what is known as rasada.4 What is the use of it in [understanding the length and breadth in the sky? The measure of the daily motion of the planets in [terms of their ecliptic] latitude and longitude; and the mutual distance between planets; and again the hypotenuse called the distance between the disc of a planet and the Earth's centre, and the largeness or smallness of the discs of the planets and stars; and even other [such things] can be known [by rasada];
- 2. an account of earlier astronomers who made observations: namely,
 - (a) Hipparchus (abarḫus) who made his observations around 1400 years before the beginning of Ilkhanid observations;
- 2. an account of earlier astronomers who made observations: namely,
 - (a) Hipparchus (abarakhusa) [of Nicaea];

³ See, e.g., S. R. Sarma (2019:1486) for an account of some of the Indo-Persian astronomical equipment, including the ones listed here.

⁴ See, e.g., K. V. Sarma (1985: 22) for a list of (near-)identically named astronomical instruments created by Maharaja Sawai Jai Singh (1686–1743) of Jaipur.

- (b) Ptolemy (baṭlamīyūs), the author of the Almagest, who made his observations in Alexandria 280 years after Hipparchus;
- (c) Caliph al-Ma³mūn (*māmūn* halīfa) who made his observations around 430 years before the beginning of Ilkhanid observations;
- (d) Unnamed astronomers who made the Ilkhanid observations (raṣad-i īlḥānī) in Maragha;
- (e) al-Battānī in Syria;

(f) [Ibn Yūnus] the author of the Zīj-i ḥākimī composed in Egypt;

- (b) Ptolemy (batlamayūsa), the author of the Almagest (mujasti), who made his observations in the city of Alexandria (sīkandarīya-nagara) 280 years after Hipparchus;
- (c) The Abbasid Caliph al-Ma³mūn (māmūn-khalīphai) who made observations in the region of Baghdad (bagadāda-deśa) 690 years after Ptolemy;
- (d) Unnamed astronomers who made the Ilkhanid observations (*īlakhānī-rasada*) in the city of Maragha (*marāgam-nagara*) 430 years after al-Ma⁵mūn;
- (e) al-Battānī (battānī) in Syria (śāma-deśa) who worked near-contemporaneously to the time of the Il-ḫanid observations;
- (f) [Ibn Yūnus] the author of the *hākimī zīj* composed in Egypt (*misara-deśa*) contemporaneous to Il-ḫanid observations;

(g) Ibn al-A^clam in Baghdad;⁵ and

- (h) Uluġ Bīg the kingastronomer leading the Mīrzā⁵ī observations in Samargand;
- a praise of Mīrzā Uluġ Bīg, the author of the Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg (alias Zīj-i Sulṭānī):

سلطان اعظم خاقان اكرم قطب سپهر سلطنت شمس جهان معدلت الجامع بین الدین والدولة العارف بلعلوم والمعقولة مكمل علوم الحساب والعدد كاشف مفصلات التحریر والرصد الغ بیگ میرزا طاب ثراه كه از ابای كرام این شهنشاه عالمیان است باتفاق اكثر علمای متبحر كه هر یک بی نظیر زمانه بودند بدقایق و لطایف و تحقیقات تمام باتمام رسانیده اند

sulṭān-i a^czam ḫāqān-i akram quṭb-i sipihr-i salṭanat šams-i jahān-i ma^cdalat al-jāmi^c bayna l-dīn wa-l-dawla al-^cārif bi-l-^culūm al-manqūla wa-l-ma^cqūla mukammil ^culūm al-ḥisāb wa-l-^cadad

- (h) Mīrzā Uluġ Bīg in the city of Samarqand (mirajāulaga-bega) who made observations in Samarqand (samarakanda-deśa);
- 3. a praise of Mīrzā Uluģ Bīg, the author of the *Zīj-i Uluģ Bīg* (alias *Zīj-i Sultānī*):

...किंतु समर्कन्दनगरे महाराजाधिराजस्य महोदास्य राज्याकाशध्रवस्य न्याय-लोकभास्करस्य राज्यलक्ष्मीधर्मग्राहकस्य शब्दयक्तिशास्त्रप्रवीणस्य गणितकलासर्वज्ञ-कल्पस्य शिल्पशास्त्ररसदशास्त्रसूक्ष्मप्रमेय-प्रकाशकस्य मिरजाउलुगबेगस्य रसदइति को ऽर्थो यन्त्रविशेषैर्ग्रहसमस्तनक्षत्रवेध आसीत परमेश्वरस्तस्य स्वर्गवासं - 1 करोत् । एतस्यैवास्माकं प्रभोमेहाराजा-कुले पितामहादिषु पूर्वज आसीत् । तस्मिन्नेव समये महातन्त्र-विद्धिरनन्योपमैविषया समुद्रसदृशेरन्यैरपि मिलित्वा सग्रहादिवेधोविधाय संपूर्णीकृतः । ...kimtu samarkandanagare mahārājādhirājasya mahodāsya rājyākāśadhruvasya nyāyalokabhāskarasya rājyalaksmīdharmagrāhakasya śabdayuktiśāstrapravīnasya ganitakalāsarvajñakalpasya śilpaśāstrarasada-

⁽g) Ibn al-A'lam (ibanala-ālama) who made observations in the region of Baghdad बगदाद-देश (bagadāda-deśa) contemporaneous to Il-ḥanid observations;⁶ and

⁵ Mullā Farīd states that none of the above mentioned observations were complete; the only complete set of observations is the Mīrzā³ī observations of Uluġ Bīg.

⁶ Like Mullā Farīd, Nityānanda also states that none of the above mentioned observations were complete in all respects; the only complete observations are those made by Mīrzā Uluġ Bīg.

kāšif mufaṣṣalāt al-taḥrīr wa-l-raṣad ulug bīg mīrzā ṭāba ṭarāhu ki az abā-yi kirām-i īn šahanšāh-i cālamīyān ast ba ittifāq-i akṭar-i culamā-yi mutabaḥḥir ki har yak bīnazīr-i zamāna būdand ba daqāyiq u laṭāyif u taḥqīqāt tamām ba itmām rasānīda and

The supreme ruler, the noblest king, the pole of the sphere of kingship, the Sun of the world of justice, the uniter of faith and power, the knower of traditional and rational sciences, the perfector of the sciences of computation and numbers, the unveiler of the details of writing and observation, Uluġ Bīg Mīrzā—May the soil [of his grave] be fragrant who is amongst the noble fathers of this emperor of men, with the collaboration of the many of the most learned men, every one of whom were peerless in their time, has brought to perfection every subtle and delicate point of research;

śāstrasūksmaprameyaprakāśakasya mirajāulugabegasya rasadaïti ko 'rtho yantraviśesair grahasamastanaksatravedha āsīt | parameśvaras tasya svargavāsam karotu | etasyaivāsmākam prabhor mahārājādhirājasya kule pitāmahādisu pūrvaja āsīt | tasminn eva samaye mahātantravidbhir ananyopamair vidyayā samudrasadršair anyair api militvā sagrahādivedho vidhāya sampūrnīkrtah |

...but in the city of Samarqand, the observation (rasada) of Mīrzā Uluġ Bīg, the one who is the king among kings; the mighty one; the pole of the sky of kingship; the Sun of the world of justice; the one who seizes the faith and good fortunes of the kingdom; the one versed in the sciences, reasoning, and speech; the one competent knowing all things in the mathematical arts; the illuminator of the subtle topics in the science of rasada and of form, was the one who was capable of providing insight [about the true positions of constellations and all the planets with special [astronomical] instruments. May God give him residence in heaven. He was an ancestor among the grandfathers in the ancestral lineage of my lord [Šāh Jahān], this very King among kings. At that very time, having collaborated with many of those most knowledgeable in the sciences, the ones who are unique in resembling oceans with knowledge, [Uluġ 4. the definition of observational $z\bar{\imath}jes(z\bar{\imath}j-i\,raṣad\bar{\imath})$:

چون حرکات کواکب بحسب اصول رصدی معلوم کنند و بجداول در کتابی مضبوط گردانند آنرا زیج رصدی خوانند چنانچه زیج الغ بیگ و آنرا زیج سمرقندی و زیج گورگانی نیز گویند و آن مشتمل است بر اعمال تحقیقی مثل جیب یک درجه که بنای عمل جدول جیب و ظل بران است و الی یومنا هذا هیچکس بطریق برهانی استخراج نکرده و همه حکما تصریح کرده اند با آنکه طریق عمل استخراج آن نیافته اند و حیله کرده بتقریب بدست آورده اند و غیر آن از اعمال کثره

čūn ḥarakāt-i kavākib ba ḥasb-i uşūl-i raşadī ma^clūm kunand u ba jadāvil dar kitābī mażbūt gardānand ān rā zīj-i raṣadī hwānand čunānči zīj-i uluģ bīg u ān rā zīj-i samarqandī u zīj-i gūrgānī nīz gūyand u ān muštamil ast bar a^cmāl-i taḥqīqī mitl-i jayb-i yak-daraja ki binā-yi camal-i jadval-i jayb u zill bar ān ast u ilà yawminā hādā hīč-kas ba tarīq-i burhānī istiḥrāj nakarda u hama hukamā tasrīh karda and bā ān ki ṭarīq-i ^camal-i istiḫrāj-i ān nayāfta and u ḥīla karda ba taqrīb ba dast āvarda and u ģayr-i ān az a^cmāl-i katīra

- Bīg] brought to completion the insight beginning with the planets etc. for the sake of piercing [the truth];
- 4. a description of observational zijes or rasadī-jica (PER: zīj-i raṣadī):

यद्रसद्विधानेन ग्रहभुक्तिमानीयकोष्ठकै-र्दृढीकृत्य तन्त्रं लिख्यते तस्य नाम जीचरसदीति व्याख्यायते । यथा जीच-उलगबेगी अस्यैव नाम जीचसमरकन्दी पुनः कोर्गानी चेति कथ्यते । तदिदं पुस्तकं सूक्ष्मसूक्ष्मगणितप्रमेथैर्युतमस्ति यथा प्रत्येकांशस्य जीवा सर्वगणितस्य छाया प्रभृतेर्मूलमस्ति पुनरध यावत्केनापि वासनया सा न कृता किंतु सर्व एवाचार्या एवमेव जगुर्ज्यायाः साधने वासनया प्रकारः केनापि न लब्धः योज्यानयने प्रकारः कृतः स सर्वो वास्तवेन न किंतु स्थुलः कृतः । अस्मिन्यन्थे सा ज्या प्रत्येक कलाया वासनामार्गेण कृतान्यद्पि तथैव । इति रसदीजिचविवरणम् ।

yad rasadavidhānena grahabhuktimānīyakoṣṭhakair dṛḍhīkṛṭya tantraṃ likhyate tasya nāma jīcarasadīti vyākhyāyate | yathā jīcaülagabegī asyaiva nāma jīcasamarakandī punaḥ korgānī ceti kathyate | tad idaṃ pustakaṃ sūkṣmasūkṣmagaṇitaprameyair yutam asti yathā pratyekāmśasya

yutam asti yathā pratyekāṃśasya jīvā sarvagaṇitasya chāyāprabhṛter mūlam asti punar adha yāvat kenāpi vāsanayā sā na kṛtā kiṃtu sarva evācāryā evam eva jagur jyāyāḥ sādhane vāsanayā prakāraḥ kenāpi na labdhaḥ yojyānayane prakāraḥ kṛtaḥ sa sarvo vāstavena na kiṃtu sthulaḥ kṛtaḥ | asmin granthe sā jyā pratyeka kalāyā

When the movements of celestial objects are exposed according to the fundamentals of observation ($us\bar{u}l$ -i $rasad\bar{i}$) and ordered in tables inside a book, it is called an observational $z\bar{i}j$. Such an example is the Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg, which is also called the *Zīj-i Samarqandī* and the Zīj-i Gūrgānī. tains verified calculations (a^cmāl-i $tahq\bar{t}q\bar{t}$), like the sine for every degree on which is constructed the calculation of the table of the sine and the tangent. Until now, no one has been able to derive this [table] by means of a demonstration (tarīg-i burhānī) and scholars have all made it clear. Despite having not found a way to calculate its derivation, they have procured [the table] by approximation using stratagems (hīla). Besides this there are many calculations [in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$];

vāsanāmārgeṇa kṛtānyad api tathaiva | iti rasadījicavivaranam |

The treatise that is meant to be strengthened following the method of observations (rasadavidhāna) [and] is written with tables meant to measure the daily motion of the planets: its name called *jicarasadī* is [now] described. Such an example is the Zīj-i Uluģ Bīg (jīca-ulagabegī), which is also called Zīj-i Samarqandī (jīca-samarakandī) and also known as the Gūrgānī (korgānī) $[z\bar{i}j].$ This book contains extremely subtle demonstrable computations (sūksma-sūksmaganita-prameya) such as the sine of every degree which is the foundation of all computations beginning with [the computation of shadow-lengths [i.e., tangents]. Moreover, until now, no one has composed [such a text] supported by demonstration (vāsanā); however, all teachers admit in this manner that the kind of computation of sine with demonstration has not been obtained by anyone, and the kind [which is] done in practical calculation (yojyānayana), all that is not with exactness but roughly done. In this book [i.e., the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$, the sine for every minute is computed by the method of demonstration: even other [computations in this book] are done in like manner [supported by demonstrations].

5. on the reason of correcting observational $z\bar{\imath}j$ es ($z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $raṣad\bar{\imath}$) and producing computational $z\bar{\imath}j$ es ($z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $his\bar{a}b\bar{\imath}$):

و آنکه در ارقام بعضی جداول تفاوت قليل يافته ميشود ظاهرا محاسبان ادر زيج بمسامحه عمل فرموده باشند و چون تفاوتهای که بمرور ایام در زیج رصدی حادث شده باشد مثل تعديل الايام و غيره بمعونت حساب بقدر امکان رفع نمایند و آنچه بجهت تساهل دران کمی کرده باشند یا از محاسبان آن وقت سهوی شده باشد درست سازند و خطاهای جداول که بمرور ایام از قلم ناسخان بوقوع آمده باشد تصحیح نمایند و تصرفات بجهت حصول مدعا بآسانی کنند و غیر ذلک آنرا زیج حسابی گویند u ānki dar argām-i baczī-yi jadāvil tafāvut-i galīl yāfta mīšavad zāhiran muhāsibān-i īn zīj ba musāmaha ^camal farmūda bāšand u čūn tafāvuthāī ki ba murūr-i ayyām dar zīj-i raṣadī hādit šuda bāšad mitl-i ta^cdīl al-ayyām u ġayruhu ba ma^cūnat-i ḥisāb ba qadr-i imkān raf^c namāyand u ānči ba jihat-i tasāhul dar ān kamī karda bāšand yā az muḥāsibān-i ān vaqt sahvī šuda bāšad durust sāzand u ḥatāhā-yi jadāvil ki ba murūr-i ayyām az qalam-i nāsiḥān ba vuqū^c āmada bāšad tashīh namāyand u tasarrufāt ba jihat-i husūl-i mudda^cā ba āsānī kunand u ġayr dālika ān rā zīj-i hisābī gūyand

Thus ends the description of rasadī-jīca;

 a description of the computational zijes or jīca-hisābī (PER: zīj-i hisābī):

केषुचिदङ्केषु कोष्ठगतेष अथ स्वल्पमन्तरं दृश्यते प्रायो ऽस्य जीचस्य ये गणकाः स्वल्पान्तरदोषममन्यमाना एतादृशं गणितं चकुः ततः कियता कालेन गतेन सान्तरमाविर्भतं द्युफलादिषु परत्रापि तदन्तरं गणितबलेन गणकैर्यथा शक्तिं दूरीक्रियते । पुनर्यत्किं-चिदङ्किनःशेषग्रहणाभावेनाङ्कस्य न्यूनाधि-कत्वं कृतमस्ति किंवा गणका एवात्र प्रमादयुक्ता बभुवः किंवा लेखकपरम्परया कोष्ठकेषु लिखितमशुद्धमस्ति तद्गणकैः शोध्यते । वास्तवफलं वा सुगमप्रकारान्त-रेणानीयते तस्य नाम जीचहिसाबीति कथ्यते ।

atha yatra keşucid ankeşu koşthagatesu svalpam antaram drśyate prāyo 'sya jīcasya ye gaṇakāḥ svalpāntaradosam amanyamānā etādrśam ganitam cakruh tatah kiyatā kālena gatena sāntaram āvirbhūtam yathā dyuphalādisu paratrāpi tadantaram ganitabalena ganakair yathā śaktim dūrīkriyate | punar yatkimcid ankanihśesagrahanābhāvenānkasya nyūnādhikatvam krtam asti kimvā evātra pramādayuktā ganakā kimvā lekhakababhūvuh paramparayā kosthakesu likhitam aśuddham asti tad ganakaih śodhyate vāstavaphalam sugamaprakārāntareņānīyate tasya nāma jīcahisābīti kathyate |

When, apparently, the calculators of a $z\bar{\imath}\bar{\imath}$ [re]calculate with lenity the small discrepancies found in the numbers given in some tables; when they correct as much as possible with the help of calculation the discrepancies that arise in the observational $z\bar{i}jes$ because of the passing of time such as the equation of time etc.; when they correct things which are lacking in that $[z\bar{i}j]$ because of indulgence/negligence or are errors made by calculators at that time; when they rectify the mistakes which have crept in the tables through the pen of copyists with the passing of time; when they simplify the sums [needed] to grasp the intended [subject] etc., this is called a computational zīj;

- 6. a list of earlier Islamicate *zīj*es: see Appendix § B;
- a discussion on the etymology of the word zīj going from Persian to Arabic: see Appendix § D;
- 8. a definition of simplification tables (*tashīl*), beginning with

Now, when, for the most part, a very small difference is seen in some digits [written] in the cells of this $z\bar{i}j$ [with] which mathematicians, on account of not regarding the error of these very small differences, made calculations like this, then with even a little elapsed time that difference becomes evident just as is in [the case of] the equation of time etc. and elsewhere; that difference is [then] removed by [other] mathematicians by the strength of calculations to the best of one's Moreover, [if] on acability. count of not completely accepting whatever little digits there is the state of deficiency or excess in [their] work, or [if] the mathematicians just became negligent here, or [if] by following the tradition of scribes, the writing is erroneous in the tables, [then] that is rectified by mathematicians. Or [if] the true result is calculated by another simplified manner, [then] the name of that $[z\bar{\imath}j]$ is said to be $j\bar{\imath}ca$ -his $\bar{a}b\bar{\imath}$;

- a Devanāgarī transcription of the Persian names of earlier Islamicate zījes: see Appendix § B;
- 7. a Devanāgarī (Sanskrit) translation of the discussion on the etymology of the word *jīca* (*zīj*) going from Persian to Arabic: see Appendix § D;
- 8. a description of the [simplification] tables (sāraṇīs), beginning with

چون تصرفات در بعضی جداول مثلا تعدیلات کواکب و غیره بجهت آسانی عمل کنند و آن خالی از مساهله نباشد آنرا تسهیل نامند

čūn taṣarrufāt dar baczī-yi jadāvil matalan tacdīlāt-i kavākib u gayruhu ba jihat-i āsānī camal kunand u ān hālī az musāhala nabāšad ān rā tashīl nāmand

When in some tables, the usages such as the equations of celestial objects etc., are simplified by calculation and are exempt from negligence, this is called simplification (*tashīl*);

and ending in

کتابی که مشتمل بر اعمال تسهیلی و تحقیقی باشد و همه اعمال زیج در وی بود آنرا زیج گویند نه تسهیل چنانچه زیج خاقانی که همه اعمال تحقیقی و تسهیلی در وی است و زیج عمده از علیشاه خوارزمی صاحب اشجار و اثمار که در احکام نجوم است و زیج مظهری از ملا مظهر و مقصود ازین تفصیل آنکه فرق کنند میان زیج رصدی و زیج حسابی و تسهیل تا یکی را بنام دیگری نخوانند

kitābī ki muštamil bar a^cmāl-i tashīlī u taḥqīqī bāšad u hama a^cmāl-i zīj dar vay buvad ān rā zīj gūyand na tashīl čunānči zīj-i ḥāqānī ki hama a^cmāl-i taḥqīqī u tashīlī dar vay ast u zīj-i ^cumda az ^calī-šāh ḥwārazmī ṣāḥib-i ašjār u atmār ki dar ahkām-i

यत्र कोष्ठकेषु केषुचित्किंचिद्गणितमुत्पाद्य यथा ग्रहशीघ्रमन्दफलमन्यदिप सुगमार्थं स्थूलमपि लिख्यते सा सारणी ।

yatra koṣṭhakeṣu keṣucit kiṃcidgaṇitam utpādya yathā grahaśīghramandaphalam anyad api sugamārthaṃ sthūlam api likhyate sā sāranī |

When in some tables, having made whatever computation such as the slow and fast corrective equations of the planets and also other [similar computations], [the correction] is written for the sake of ease even though inexact, that is a [simplification] table (sāraṇī);

and ending in

यस्मिन्ग्रन्थे स्थूलसूक्ष्मगणितानि भवन्ति तस्य नाम जीच इति । एतलाम सारिणी नेति यथा जीचखाकानी पुनः सजरे समरकर्तुरली शाहख्वारजमी पुनः मुल्लामजहरीति नाम्नो जीचमजहरी । प्रयोजनमिदमेवात्र जीचरसदीजीचहिसाबी-सारणीनां यथाभेदो भवति ।

yasmingranthe sthūlasūkṣmagaṇitāni bhavanti tasya nāma jīca iti | etatnāma sāriṇī neti yathā jīcakhākānī punaḥ sajare samarakarturalī śāhakhṇārajamī punaḥ mullāmajaharīti nāmno jīcamajaharī | prayojanam idam nujūm ast u zīj-i mazharī az mullā mazhar u maqṣūd az īn tafṣīl ānki farq kunand miyān-i zīj-i raṣadī u zīj-i ḥisābī u tashīl tā yakī rā ba nām-i dīgarī naḥwānand

A book which contains calculations both simplified and verified and contains all the calculations of a zīj is called zīj and not tashīl 'simplification'. Such is the case of the Zīj-i Hāgānī, which contains every simplified and verified calculations, also of the Zīj-i cumda by 'Alī Šāh Ḥwārazmī, the author of [the book] *Trees and Fruits* (ašjār u atmār) which is on astrology, and of the Zīj-i Mazharī by Mullā Mazhar. The objective of this division is to separate between observational zījes, computational zījes and simplifications so that they are not called by each other's name:

Note: This section includes a list of earlier Islamicate simplification tables ($tash\bar{\imath}l$): see Appendix § C;

9. a definition of an almanac (taqvīm):

چون از زیج مواضع ستارگان در روزیهای یکسال بیرون آرند در طول و عرض و اتصالات ایشان را با یکدیگر و طالعهای فصول و اجتماعات و استقبالات و قرانات و کسوف و رؤیه اهله و مانند آن در دفتر نویسند آنرا تقویم خوانند و تقویم در لغت راست داشتن و قیمت کردن است

evātra jīcarasadījīcahisābīsāraṇīnāṃ yathābhedo bhavati |

The book in which there are [both] rough and exact computations is called $z\bar{i}j$ ($j\bar{i}ca$) by name. Its name is not [the simplification table (sāraṇī): example, the Zīj-i Ḥāgānī (jīcakhākānī), and [the one] by the author of sajare-samara (PER: ašjār u atmār) cAlī Šāh Ḥwārazmī (alī-śāha-khvārajamī), and again the Zīj-i Mazharī (jīca-majaharī) by the one named Mullā Mazharī (*mullā-majaharī*). Here, the very purpose [of this division] is to make evident the distinction the [simplification] between tables (sāraṇis), the observational $z\bar{\imath}jes$ ($j\bar{\imath}ca-rasad\bar{\imath}$), and the computational zījes (jīca-hisābī);

Note: This section includes the Devanāgarī transcriptions of the Persian names of earlier Islamicate simplification tables $(s\bar{a}ran\bar{\iota})$: see Appendix § C;

9. a description of an almanac (pañcāṅgapattra):

अथ यत्र जीचतः सर्ववर्षस्य दिनेषु ग्रहाणां स्फुटत्वं शरश्च ग्रहाणां परस्परिमत्तशालानि ऋतुप्रारम्भलग्नं पूर्णमासीलग्नममावस्यालग्नं ग्रहाणामेककलायां संयोगः किराननामा चन्द्रग्रहणं सूर्यग्रहणं चन्द्रदर्शनं लिख्यते तन्नाम तकवीमेति पञ्चाङ्गपत्त-मित्यर्थः । कमपरिपाद्या यथास्थानरक्षणं तकवीमशब्दस्येत्यर्थम् ।

čūn az zīj mavāzic-i sitāragān dar rūzīhā-yi yak-sāl bīrūn ārand dar ṭūl u carz u ittiṣālāt-i īšān rā bā yakdīgar u ṭālichā-yi fuṣūl u ijtimācāt u istiqbālāt u qirānāt u kusūf u husūf u ru ya-yi ahilla u mānand-i ān dar daftar navīsand ān rā taqvīm hwānand u taqvīm dar luġat rāst dāštan u qīmat kardan ast

When one extracts the positions of celestial objects for every day in a year inside a volume with their longitudes, latitudes, their mutual conjunctions/applications sālāt), the ascendants of the seasons (tāli^chā-yi fusūl), their conjunctions ($ijtim\bar{a}^c\bar{a}t$), oppositions (istiqbālāt), conjunctions (qirānāt), the solar and lunar eclipses, the sighting of the new Moons, and similar matters, it is called almanac (taqvīm). And *taqvīm* literally means to 'straighten', to 'fix'; and

10. on the advantage (*fāyida*) of almanacs (*taqvīm*) and *zījes*, and

atha yatra jīcatah sarvavarsasya grahānām sphutatvam dinesu grahānām śaraśca parasparam ittaśālāni rtuprārambhalagnam pūrnamāsīlagnam āmāvasyālagnam grahānām ekakalāyām samyogah candragrahanam kirānanāmā sūryagrahanam candradarśanam takavīmeti likhyate tannāma pañcāngapattram ityarthah | kramaparipādyā yathāsthānaraksanam takavīmaśabdasyetyartham |

Now, [extracted] from the $z\bar{i}j$, [the book] where, for the days of every year, the true position [i.e., longitude] and latitude of the planets; the mutual [Tājika configuration of] conjunctions/applications (SAN: ittaśāla, PER: ittisāl) of the planets; the ascendant of the beginning of the seasons (rţu-prārambhalagna); the ascendant of the the night of full Moon; the ascendant of the night of new Moon; the conjunction (samyoga), called kirāna (PER: qirān) by name, of the planets at a moment of time; the lunar eclipse; the solar eclipse; [and] the visibility of [the disc of the Moon is written, that is called takavīma (PER: taqvīm) meaning the almanac (pañcāngapattra). For this purpose, the regular root of the word takavīma is [to be understood] as the preservation of the appropriate place; and

10. on the use (*prayojana*) of almanacs (*takavīma*) and *zījes*, and of

of observation (raṣad): see Appendix § E.

observations (*rasada*): see Appendix § E.

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ff. 3v-4r S

[§ ID.2] قسم دوم (qism-i duvum): Second part

Begins with:

در حالات و صفات این زیج که بر همه زیجهای سابقه ترجیح بآن یافته dar ḥālāt u ṣifāt-i īn zīj ki bar hama zījhā-yi sābiqa tarjīḥ ba ān yāfta

On the characteristics of these tables which make them superior to earlier tables.

Ends with:

اکنون بر جمیع دولتخواهان و بندگان آن حضرت واجب و لازم است که این کتاب را رواج دهند و مکرر نویسانده در اطراف و اکناف عالم مشهور گردانند بنوعی که در اندک مدت در جمیع بلاد و امصار اعتبار و اشتهار یابد که آن موجب اشتهار و بقای نام سعادت فرجام این بادشاه عالیشان تا ابد الآباد شود و مستلزم آن است که تاریخ مبارک آن حضرت همیشه در تمام عالم معمول و مشهور باشد

aknūn bar jamīc-i dawlat-hwāhān u bandagān-i ān ḥażrat vājib u lāzim ast ki īn kitāb rā ravāj dahand u mukarrar navīsānda dar aṭrāf u aknāf-i cālam mašhūr gardānand ba nawcī ki dar andak maddat dar jamīc-i bilād u amṣār ictibār u ištihār yābad ki ān mūjib-i ištihār u baqā-yi nām-i sacādat-farjām-i īn bādšāh-i cālī-šān tā abad al-ābād šavad u mustalzam ān ast ki tārīh-i mubārak-i ān ḥażrat hamīša dar cālam macmūl u mašhūr bāšad

[§ ID.2] SS द्वितीयप्रकार (dvitīyaprakāra, lit. the second ff. 7rv Al kind): Second part ff. 8v-9r Kh Begins with:

अथ द्वितीयप्रकारे ऽस्य जीचस्य प्रशंसा यत्सर्वेभ्यो जीचेभ्यो माहात्म्यं प्राप्नोति तथाहि ।

atha dvitīyaprakāre 'sya jīcasya praśaṃsā yatsarvebhyo jīcebhyo māhātmyaṃ prāpnoti tathāhi |

Now, in the second part, the praise of this $z\bar{\imath}j$, which, amongst all [other] $z\bar{\imath}j$ es, obtains magnanimity thusly.

Ends with:

अधुना सर्वे महाप्रभुशुभवाञ्छका अवश्यमेवास्य ग्रन्थस्य प्रसिद्धिं कारयन्तु बहुशो ऽस्य पुस्तकानि लिखापयित्वा दिक्षु विदिक्षु प्रेषयन्तु यथास्य ग्रन्थस्य प्रसिद्धिर्भवति यथा स्वल्पैर्दिनैः सकलदेशनगरेषु प्रसिद्धमिदं भवति पुनरस्य महाप्रभोर्नामशुभायति संसारे स्थिरं चिरं वसति प्रयोजनिमदं महाप्रभोः शाकः सदैवास्मिञ्जगति सर्वत्र प्रवृत्त्या प्रसिद्धो भवति।

adhunā sarve mahāprabhuśubhavāñchakā avaśyam evāsya granthasya prasiddhim kārayantu bahuśo 'sya pustakāni likhāpayitvā dikṣu vidikṣu preṣayantu yathāsya granthasya prasiddhir bhavati yathā svalpair dinaiḥ sakaladeśanagareṣu prasiddham idam bhavati punar asya mahāprabhor nāmaśubhāyati saṃsāre sthiraṃ ciraṃ vasati prayojanam idaṃ mahāprabhoḥ śākaḥ sadaivāsmiñ jagati sarvatra pravṛttyā prasiddho bhavati

Now, it behoves every well-wisher and servant of His Majesty to circulate this book and, by repeated copy, make it famous in every corner of the world, in a manner that, in a short time, it will gain credit and fame in all countries, by which the auspicious name of this High Emperor will be famed and endure for all eternity. From this, it will necessarily ensue that the blessed era of His Majesty will be forever established and famous in the world.

Remarks Contains, inter alia,

 statements on the conditions for writing an observational zīj and the reason why the author chose to compose a computational zīj:

مخفی نماند که چون زیج رصدی بکمتر از سی سال که دور سبعه سیاره دران تمام میشود و غیر از معاونان بسیار و آلات صحیحه و نصب آن کما ینبغی و جاه و مال و فراغ بال نتوان ساخت و اگر بیشتر از سی سال باین کار پردازند بهتر و صحیحتر بود چنانچه علامه طوسی در زیج خود آورده بنا بران فرصت را غنیمت شمرده اختیار زیج حسابی نمود میشان رویج حسابی نمود میشان میشان رویج حسابی نمود میشان
maḥfī namānad ki čūn zīj-i raṣadī ba kamtar az sī sāl ki dawr-i sabca sayyāra dar ān tamām mīšavad u ġayr az mucāvinān-i bisyār u ālāt-i ṣaḥīḥa u naṣb-i ān kamā yanbaġī u jāh u māl u firāġ-i bāl natavān sāḥt u

Now, certainly, may all the wellwishers of the King bring about the renown of this text. After having made [manuscript-]copies of this repeatedly, may they diffuse [these copies] in every part of the world so that the renown of this book grows in a manner that within the littlest of days in all the countries and cities this [text] becomes famous, [and] moreover, the name of this King becomes a blessing [and] maintains [its] steadfast and long-lasting purpose in the world. [Thus,] the era of the King will always be celebrated in this world everywhere by [its] use.

Remarks Contains, inter alia,

1. statements on the inability to update in time a three-hundred year old $z\bar{\imath}j$ (i.e., the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$) observationally, bearing upon al- $\bar{I}u\bar{g}i$'s statement:

किंवा त्रिंशड्वर्षेभ्यो ऽप्यधिककालेन यदा रसदं सध्यते तदातीव शुद्धा ग्रहा भवन्तीति ऽलामततूसीनाम्नाचार्येण स्वजीचे प्रोक्तं तस्मादिममेव बहुसमयं मत्वा हिसाबीजीच-स्याङ्गीकारो मया कृतः ।

kiṃvā triṃśaḍvarṣebhyo 'py adhikakālena yadā rasadaṃ sadhyate tadātīva śuddhā grahā bhavantīti 'lāmatatūsīnāmnācāryeṇa svajīce proktaṃ tasmād imam eva agar bīštar az sī sāl ba īn kār pardāzand bihtar u ṣaḥīḥtar buvad čunānči callāma ṭūṣī dar zīj-i ḥwud āvarda binā bar ān furṣat rā ġanīmat šumurda iḥtiyār-i zīj-i ḥisābī namūd

It is known that it is impossible to make an observational $z\bar{i}j$ in less than thirty years, in which the revolution of the seven planets is completed, and also without many assistants, exact instruments and their installation as is required, a high rank, fortune and leisure. If more than thirty years are spent on this work it will be better and more perfect, just as the learned [Naṣīr al-Dīn] Ţūsī related in his own zīj. On this ground, having seized the opportunity, [this author] chose to [write] a computational $z\bar{i}j$;

statements proselytising the divine era of Šāh Jahān in relation to writing astronomical tables derived from the Zīj-i Gūrgānī (an alias of Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg).

bahusamayam matvā hisābījīcasyāngīkāro mayā kṛtaḥ |

Otherwise, if observation (rasada) is made over time in excess of three-hundred years, then extremely precise [positions of the] planets can be determined—this is said by the preceptor ^cAllāma al-Ṭūṣī ($alamata-t\bar{u}s\bar{\imath}$) in his own $z\bar{\imath}j$. Therefore, having thought about this [for a] long time, the promise of [composing] a computational $z\bar{\imath}j$ ($his\bar{a}b\bar{\imath}-j\bar{\imath}ca$) is made by me;

- statements on the superiority of the numbers contained in the Zīj-i Uluġ Bīg; and
- 3. list of certain modifications made in the tables, especially the correspondence between values found in some tables and the abjad values of names of Šāh Jahān; and the addition of dates given in the divine era of Šāh Jahān.

ZŠJ ff. 3v–4v D ff. 4rv H ff. 4v–5r L ff. 7r–8r O

f. – Q p. – R ff. 4rv S [§ ID.3]

قسم سيوم (qism-i sīvum): Third part

Begins with:

در بیان موافقت و مناسبت اعدادی که درین زیج سعید معمول و مذکور است dar bayān-i muvāfaqāt u munāsabāt-i

dar bayān-i muvāfaqāt u munāsabāt-i a^cdādī ki dar īn zīj-i sa^cīd ma^cmūl u ma<u>d</u>kūr ast

On the conformity and convenience of numerology ($a^c d\bar{a}d$, lit. numbers) calculated and mentioned in these fortunate tables.

Remark Contains a detailed exposition on the correspondences between the abjad values of several names given to Šāh Jahān and various astronomical parameters; for example, the number of solar days in a year (365) and the abjad value of 'Šāh Jahān' (365). Includes tables.⁸

[§ ID.3]

तृतीयप्रकार (tṛtīyaprakāra, lit. the third f. 7v Al kind): Third part

Begins with:

f. 8v Pg

SS

अथ तृतीयप्रकारो नविवर्णितो ऽप्रयोजकत्वात् ।

atha tṛtīyaprakāro navivarṇito 'prayojakatvāt |

Now, on account of irrelevancy (*apra-yojakatva*), the third part is not considered.⁷

ZŠJ ff. 4v–5r D ff. 4v–6v H ff. 5r–6r L ff. 8r–9r O f. – Q p. 7 R

ff. 4v-5v S

[§ ID.4]

وم چهارم (qism-i čahārum):

Fourth part

Begins with:

در ذکر آنچه دران زیج بعمل آورده شد از تصحیحات و اختراعات و الحاقات زیاده از زیج الغ بیگی نور الله مرقد راصده [§ ID.4]

चतुर्थप्रकार (caturthaprakāra, lit. the fourth ff. 7v-9r Al

kind): Fourth part

ff. 9v–11r Kh ff. 8v–10r Pg

SS

Begins with:

अथ चतुर्थप्रकारे परमेश्वरप्रसादात्प्राप्तस्वर्गस्य मिरज्याउलगबेगस्य जीचतो नवनव-वस्तूत्पादनैर्घन्थशोधनैर्घन्थान्तरादानीय लिखनैर्यद्धिकं तदनुक्रमणं द्विविधं प्रोक्तं ।

⁷ An alternative understanding of the word aprayojakatva as the 'state of being without the means to cause or effect', i.e., being ineffective, lends a second translation of this opening statement: 'Now, due to ineffectiveness, the third part is not considered.'

⁸ A more extensive discussion on numerology in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $\check{S}\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ is to appear in Matthew Melvin-Koushki's forthcoming publication (personal communication, July 2023).

dar dikr-i ānči dar īn zīj ba camal āvarda šud az tashīhāt u iḥtirā^cāt u ilhāgāt ziyāda az zīj-i uluģ bīgī nawwara llāh marqad rāsidihi

On what was introduced to the calculations in these tables in terms of corrections, inventions, additions [that are made to the \[\ Z\vec{i}-i \ Ulu\vec{g} \ B\vec{i}g\to May \ Allah enlighten the tomb of His observer.

In two verbal recollections (*dikrs*), the first beginning with:

ZŠI

f. 4v D

f. 5r H

f. 5r L

f. 8r O

f. - Q

p. - R

f. 4v S

درانچه قبل ازين علامه العالم مولانا الأعظم ناصب رايات الفضل والحكم افتخار العلما في العالم المغفور بعناية الله الملك الصمد مولانا محمد و سالک مسالک التحقیق ناهج مناهج التدقيق زبدة المهندسين قدوة المدققين المرحوم برحمة الملك المنان مولانا روزبهان عليهم الرحمة والغفران بعمل آورده

dar ānči qabl az īn callāma al-cālim al-a^czam nāṣib rāyāt al-fazl wa-l-ḥukm iftiḥār al-culamā fī l-cālam al-maġfūr bi-^cināyat allāh al-malik al-samad mawlānā muhammad u sālik masālik al-tahqīq nāhij manāhij al-tadqīq zubdat qidwat al-mudaqqiqīn al-muhandisīn al-marhūm bi-rahmat al-malik al-mannān mawlānā rūzbihān ^calayhim al-rahma wa-l-gufrān ba camal āvarda būdand

On what was brought to calculations before these [tables] by the most learned, holder of the standard of exatha caturthaprakāre parameśvaraprasādāt prāptasvargasya mirajyāülagabegasya jīcato navanavavastūtpādanair granthaśodhanair granthāntarād ānīya likhanair yadadhikam tadanukramanam dvividham proktam |

Now, in the fourth part, compared to the zīj of Mirzā Uluġ Bīg (mirajyāulaga-bega) who obtained heaven by the mercy of God, what is superior by writing, having brought [it] from the interior of the book [i.e., from inside the Zij-i $Ulu\dot{g}$ Big] by correcting the book [and] by producing things that are completely new, proceeding methodically, that is described in two ways.

In two parts (*dvividha*), the first part be-ss ginning with:

ff. 7v-8r Al f. 9v Kh

ff. 8v-9r Pg

तत्र पूर्वं विश्वेकपण्डितस्य युक्तिपाण्डित्यध्वज-स्थापकस्य संसारे बुधजनयशसः परमेश्वरमोचिता-पराधस्य मौलानामहम्मदस्य पुनः प्रामाणिक-सक्ष्मज्ञानां पथिपथिकस्य कलाविदां सारस्य परमेश्वरमोचितापराधस्य मौलानारोजविहाख्य या या कृतिस्तस्यास्तस्या अनुक्रमः ।

krtis tasyās tasyā anukramah |

First then, whatever is in the composition of Mawlānā Muhammad (maulānā-mahammada), the one whose

tatra pūrvam viśvaikapanditasya yuktipāndityadhvajasthāpakasya samsāre budparameśvaramocitāparāhajanayaśasah dhasya maulānāmahammadasya punah prāmānikasūksmajñānām pathipathikasya kalāvidām sārasya parameśvaramocitāparādhasya maulānārojavihākhya yā yā cellence and authority, glory of the learned in the world, forgiven by the grace of Allah, who is the King, the Sublime, Mawlānā Muḥammad and the traveller of the paths of certainty, the pointer of the roads of scrutiny, the best of the geometers, an exemplar of inspectors, the late and regretted by the mercy of the King, the Bounteous, Mawlānā Rūzbihān—May the mercy and pardon [of Allah] be upon them;

transgressions are forgiven by God, the one venerated among wise men in the world, the establisher of the standard of erudition by [his] rationales, a one [true] scholar in the world; and of the one named Mawlānā Rūzbihān (maulāna rojavihā), the one whose transgressions are forgiven by God, the one who is the essence of men learned in the arts, a guide to the path of men possessing subtle probative knowledge—an enumerated list of contents of all of that [is now described];

ZŠJ ff. 4v–5r D f. 5r–6r H ff. 5r-6r L

ff. 8r-9r O

ff. 4v-5v S

f. - Q

p. 7 R

and the second beginning with:

درینچه این کمترین بندههای درگاه عمل نموده و از کتب معتبره آورده

dar īnči īn kamtarīn-i bandahā-yi dargāh ^camal namūda u az kutub-i mu^ctabara āvarda

On the calculations made by this lowest of the slaves of the [heavenly] palace [Mullā Farīd] and on what was chosen from reputable books.

End with:

در زیج گورگانی و شرح هر یک در محل خود گفته شود انشاء الله تعالی با چندین جزئیات دیگر که اینجا تذکار نیافته

dar zīj-i gūrgānī u šarḥ har yak dar maḥall-i ḥwud gufta šavad inšā³ llāh ta^cālà bā čandīn juz³īyāt-i dīgar ki īnjā taḏkār nayāfta

In the Zij-i $G\bar{u}rg\bar{a}n\bar{i}$ and in its commentary, every [topic] is discussed in its own place, if God—May He be exalted—wills, with some more details which are not here mentioned.

and the second part beginning with:

अथ द्वितीयो ऽनुक्रमो मुल्लाफरीदेनोक्तः ।

ff. 8r–9r Al ff. 9v–11r Kh ff. 9r–10r Pg

SS

atha dvitīyo 'nukramo mullāpharī-denoktaḥ |

Now, the second enumerated list of contents stated by Mullā Farīd (*mullā-pharīda*).

End with:

स्वस्वविषये सर्वं विवर्ण्यते ।

svasvavisaye sarvam vivarnyate |

In their own respective topics, everything is described.

SS

ff. 11r-12r Kh

ff. 10rv Pg

(शालिनी)

Remark Contains, in two separate enumerated lists, the 11 additions/improvements to the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$ made by Mawlānā Muḥammad and Mawlānā Rūzbihān and the 101 additions/improvements to the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$ made by Mullā Farīd.

Remark Mirroring the Persian, the Sanskrit text also contains an enumerated list of Mavlānā Muḥammad's and Mavlānā Rūzbihān's 11 additions/improvements to the Zij-i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$, as well as an enumerated list of Mullā Farīd's 101 additions/improvements to the $Z\bar{\imath}j-i$ $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$.

ZŠJ ff. 5rv D ff. 6rv H ff. 6rv L

ff. grv O

f. – Q pp. 7–8 R ff. 5v–6r S [§ ID.5] مسم پنجم (qism-i panjum): Fifth part

Begins with:

در معرفت تاریخ و سال و ماه و روز و अथ पञ्चमप्रकारे परिभाषाज्ञानम् । اجزای آن

dar ma^crifat-i tārīḫ u sāl u māh u rūz u ajzā-yi ān

On the knowledge of the eras, years, months, days and parts of the day.⁹

Ends in:

اول سالی که دران سال حادثه عظیم واقع شده باشد چون ظهور ملتی یا دولتی آنرا مبدء سازند تا چون ضبط اوقات حوادث دیگر خواهند که کنند بآن مبدء نسبت کنند و آنرا تاریخ خوانند و آن بحسب اصطلاح هر تاریخ هجری است و تاریخ جدید سعید تاریخ همجری است و تاریخ جدید سعید و تاریخ ملکی و تاریخ هندی و تاریخ خطا و ایغور و هر یک در محل خود تذکار یابد انشاء الله تعالی

पञ्चमप्रकार (pañcamaprakāra, lit. the fifth ff. gr-10r Al

kind): Fifth part

Begins with:

atha pañcamaprakāre paribhāṣājñānam |

Now, in the fifth part, the knowledge of the definitions [of calendrical terms].

Ends in:

प्रकरणे ।

यस्मिन्वर्षे स्यान्महाभूमिकंपः किंवोत्पातो ऽन्यो ऽथवा राज्यलक्ष्मीः ॥ उत्कृष्टा स्याद्भूपतेः कस्यचिद्वा शाकारंभो जायते तत्र वर्षे ॥ २२ ॥ नानाविधाः शका भवन्ति । अथ प्रसिद्धतरा आरबीयशाहजहानीयरौमीय-फरसीयमलकीयहिन्दुकीयखितायीयतुरकीयशाका ये वर्तन्ते तेषां विवरणं स्वस्वाधिकारे करिष्यामि

9 This section corresponds to the introduction (*muqaddama*) in the first discourse (*maqāla-yi avvalīn*) of the $Z\bar{i}$ -i Uluģ $B\bar{i}g$.

10 Sédillot's edition of the Zīj-i Uluģ Bīg adds the following additional occurrences, which the Sanskrit translation appears to

echo; see ZUB, p. 295:

يا طوفانى يا زلزله يا امثال اينها yā ṭūfānī yā zalzala yā amṯāl-i īnhā a flood or an earthquake, or such things

^{[§} ID.5]

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avval-i sālī ki dar ān sāl ḥādiṭa-yi cazīm vāqic šuda bāšad čūn zuhūr-i millatī yā dawlatī 10 ān rā mabda sāzand tā čūn zabṭ-i awqāt-i ḥavādiṭ-i dīgar ḥwāhand ki kunand ba ān mabda nisbat kunand u ān rā tārīḥ ḥwānand u ān ba ḥasb-i iṣṭilāḥ-i har qawm čīzī dīgar bāšad u ānči mašhūr ast tārīḥ-i hijrī ast u tārīḥ-i jadīd-i sacīd-i ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī u tārīḥ-i furs u tārīḥ-i rūm u tārīḥ-i malikī u tārīḥ-i hindī u tārīḥ-i ḥaṭā u uygūr u har yak dar maḥall-i ḥwud taḍkār yābad inšā llāh tacālà

The beginning of the year in which an important event has taken place, such as the birth of a religion or a state, 10 is made as a starting point, so that when one wants to keep the times of other events, they are connected to this starting point and it is called an era. According the usage of each community, it will be a different thing. Those that are famous are the era of the Hegira, the new and fortunate divine era of Šāh Jahān, the Persian era, the Greek era, the Malikī era, the Indian era and the era of the Chinese and the Uyghur. Each of them will be discussed in its own place, God willing.

Remark See Appendix § F for a fuller description of the contents of this section.

yasminvarse syān mahābhūmikampah kimvotpāto 'nyo 'thavā rājyalaksmīh || utkrstā syād bhūpateh kasyacid vā *śākārambho jāyate tatra varse* || **22** || (śālinī) nānāvidhāh śakā bhavanti | atha prasiddhatarā ārabīyaśāhajahānīyaraumīyapharasīyamalakīyahindukīyakhitāyīyaturakīyaśākā цe vartante tesām vivaranam svasvādhikāre karisyāmi prakarane |

The year in which a great earthquake or any other calamity occurs, or rather [when] the glory of the kingdom of some sovereign gets exalted perhaps, the beginning of a calendrical era commences in that year. 22

The calendrical eras are of various forms.

Now, I shall describe in individual topics, in chapters, what exists in the more well-known eras of the Arabic [Hijri] (ārabīya), Šāh Jahān (śāhajahānīya), Rūmī (raumīya), Persian [Yazdgirdī] (phārasīya), Malakī (malakīya), Hindū (hindukīya), Chinese [and Uyghur] (khitāyīya), and Turkic (turakīya) calendars.

Remark See Appendix § F for a fuller description of the contents of this section.

ZŠJ ff. 5v–16r D ff. 6v–14r H ff. 6v–13r L ff. 9v–18v O f. – Q	[§ I] مقاله اولين (maqāla-yi avvalīn): First discourse Begins with در معرفت تواريخ و آن مشتمل است بر نه	[§ I] प्रथमकाण्ड (prathamakāṇḍa): First part Begins with अथ प्रथमकाण्डे सप्तभिरध्यायैः समस्तशाक-	SS ff. 10r–15r Al ff. 12r–16v Kh ff. 10v–15v Pg
pp. 8–25 R ff. 6r–13r S	باب dar ma ^c rifat-i tavārīḥ u ān muštamil ast bar nuh bāb	विवरणम् । शकस्य नाम तारीखेति कथयन्ति । atha prathamakāṇḍe saptabhir adhyāyaiḥ samastaśākavivaraṇam śakasya nāma tārīkheti kathayanti	
	On the knowledge of the eras. In nine chapters.	Now, in the first part, with sever chapters, the descriptions of all the calendrical eras. The name of an era is called <i>tārīkha</i> (PER: <i>tārīḫ</i>).	9
ZŠJ f. 6r D ff. 6v–7r H	[§ I.1] باب اول (bāb-i avval): First chapter	[§ I.1] प्रथमाध्याय (<i>prathamādhyāya</i>): First chapter	SS ff. 10rv Al ff. 12rv Kh
f. 6v L ff. 9v–10r O	Begins with	Begins with	ff. 11r Pg
f. – Q pp. 8–9 R ff. 6rv S	در معرفت تاریخ الهی شاهجهانی dar ma ^c rifat-i tārīḫ-i ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī	तत्र प्रथमाध्याये शाहजहानीयशकविवर्णम् । tatra prathamādhyāye śāhajahānīyaśaka vivarṇam	-
	On the knowledge of the divine era of Šāh Jahān (tārīḫ-i ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī).	Then, in the first chapter, the description of the era of Šāh Jahār (śāhajahānīya-śaka).	
	Remark See Appendix § G for the text and translation of this chapter.	Remark See Appendix § G for the text and translation of this chapter.	2
ZŠJ ff. 6rv D ff. 7rv H	[§ I.2] باب دوم (bāb-i duvum): Second chapter	[§ I.2] द्वितीयाध्याय (<i>dvitīyādhyāya</i>): Second chapter	SS ff. 10v–11v Al ff. 12v–13r Kh
ff. 6v–7r L ff. 10rv O	Begins with	Begins with	ff. 11r–12r Pg
f. – Q pp. 9–10 R f. 6v S	در معرفت تاریخ هجری ابتداء آن از اول محرم آن سال بوده است که پیغمبر ما محمد مصطفی صلی الله علیه از مکه بمدینه تشریف فرموده اند	अथ द्वितीयाध्याये हिजरीशकज्ञानं । पर्यायेण तस्य नामारबीति । अस्य शकारम्भे पूर्वं मुहरमन् मासारम्भो बभूव ।	

dar ma^crifat-i tārīḫ-i hijrī ibtidā^o-i ān az avval-i muḥarram-i ān sāl būda ast ki payġambar-i mā muḥammad muṣṭafà ṣallà llāh ^calayhi az makka ba madīna tašrīf farmūda and

On the knowledge of the Hijri era $(t\bar{a}r\bar{t}h-i\ hijr\bar{\iota})$. The beginning of this [era] was on the first day of Muharram of the year in which our messenger Muḥammad the Chosen—May God's prayers be upon him—[left] Mecca and honoured Medina [with his visit].

ZŠJ ff. 6v-7r D f. 7v H f. 7r L ff. 10v-11r O f. - Q pp. 10-11 R ff. 6v-7r S

[§ I.3] باب سيوم (bāb-i sīvum): Third chapter

Begins with

در معرفت تاریخ رومی مبدء این تاریخ روز دوشنبه بوده بعد از وفات اسکندر بن فلیقوس رومی بدوازده سال شمسی

dar ma^crifat-i tārīḥ-i rūmī mabda^z-i īn tārīḥ dū-šanba būda ast ba^cd az vafāt-i iskandar bin falīqūs rūmī ba davāzdah sāl-i šamsī

On the knowledge of the Rūmī era $(t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h-i\,r\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath})$, i.e., the Greek [Seleucid] era. This era starts on a Monday, twelve solar years after the death of Alexander (iskandar) [the Great], son of Philip [II] of Macedon (falīqūs $r\bar{\imath}m\bar{\imath}$).

atha dvitīyādhyāye hijarīśakajñānaṃ | paryāyeṇa tasya nāmārabīti | asya śakārambhe pūrvaṃ muharamamāsārambho babhūva |

Now, in the second chapter, the knowledge of the Hijri era (hijarī-śaka). Alternatively, [it is called the] Arabic (ārabi) [era] by name. Formerly, the beginning of the month of Muḥarram (muharama) was at the beginning of this era.

[§ I.3] तृतीयाध्याय (*tṛtīyādhyāya*): Third chapter

ff. 13rv Kh ff. 12rv Pg

ff. 11v-12r Al

SS

Begins with

अथ तृतीयाध्याये रूमीशकज्ञानं । अस्य शक-स्यारम्भे सोमवारो बभूव । फैलकूसरूमीतिनाम्नो यः पुत्रः सिकन्दरस्तस्य निधनानन्तरं द्वादशसौरवर्षैरयं शकः प्रवृत्तो ऽभूत् ।

atha tṛtīyādhyāye rūmīśakajñānam | asya śakasyārambhe somavāro babhūva | phaila-kūsarūmītināmno yaḥ putraḥ sikandaras tasya nidhanānantaraṃ dvādaśasaura-varṣair ayaṃ śakaḥ pravṛtto 'bhūt |

Now, in the third chapter, the knowledge of the Rūmī era ($r\bar{u}m\bar{\iota}$ -śaka). Monday was at the beginning of this era. Twelve years following the demise of Alexander (sikandara) [the Great], the son of the one named Philip [II] of Macedon ($phailak\bar{u}sa-r\bar{u}m\bar{\iota}$), this era came into circulation.

ZŠJ				
ff. 7rv D				
f. 8r H				
f. 7v L				
f. 11r O				
f. – Q				
p. 11 R				
ff. 7rv S				

[§ I.4] باب چهارم (bāb-i čahārum): Fourth chapter

Begins with

dar ma^crifat-i tārīḫ-i furs mabda^o-i īn tārīḫ rūz-i sih-šanba būda avval-i sāl-i julūs-i yazdajird bin šahryār ki āḫir-i mulūk-i ^cajam ast

On the knowledge of the Persian era (tārīḫ-i furs), i.e., the Yazdgirdī era. This era starts on a Tuesday, in the first year of the coronation of Yazdgird (yazdajird) son of Šahryār, the last king of Iran.

ZŠJ f. 7v D f. 8r H f. 7v L ff. 11rv O f. – Q p. 12 R

f. 7v S

 $[\S I.5]$

اب پنجم (bāb-i panjum): Fifth chapter Begins with در معرفت تاریخ ملکی این تاریخ منسوب است بسلطان جلال الدین ملکشاه بن الب ارسلان سلجوقی

dar ma^crifat-i tārīḫ-i malikī īn tārīḫ mansūb ast ba sulṭān jalāl al-dīn malik-šāh bin alb arslān saljūqī

On the knowledge of the Malikī era (tārīḫ-i malikī). This era is related to the Seljuk Sultan Jalāl al-Dīn Malik Šāh, son of Alp Arslān of the Seljuk [Em-

[§ I.4] SS चतुर्थाध्याय (caturthādhyāya): f. 12r Al Fourth chapter ff. 13v-14r Kh Begins with

अथ चतुर्थाध्याये तारीखफुरसज्ञानं । अस्य शकस्यारम्भे भौमवारो बभूव । शहरयारस्य पुत्रो यो यज्दिजिरदनामा महाप्रभुस्तस्य राज्यसमयादस्य शकस्य प्रवृत्तिरासीत् ।

atha caturthādhyāye tārīkhaphurasajñānaṃ | asya śakasyārambhe bhaumavāro babhūva | śaharayārasya putro yo yajdajiradanāmā mahāprabhus tasya rājyasamayād asya śakasya pravṛttir āsīt |

Now, in the fourth chapter, the knowledge of the Persian era ($t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}kha$ -phurasa). Tuesday was at the beginning of this era. The circulation of this era commenced from the time of the reign of the [Sasanian] king named Yazdgird [III] (yajdajirada), son of Shahryār (śaharayāra).

[§ I.5] SS पञ्चमाध्याय (pañcamādhyāya): f. 12r Al Fifth chapter f. 14r Kh Begins with

अथ पश्चमाध्याये तारीखमलकीज्ञानं । अलब-अरसलानसलजूकीतिनम्नो यः पुत्रः सुलतानजला-लद्दीनमलकशाहेति नामा महाभूपस्तस्य सम्बन्धेन शको ऽयं जातः ।

atha pañcamādhyāye tārīkhamalakījñānaṃ | alabaarasalānasalajūkītinamno yaḥ putraḥ sulatānajalāladdīnamalakaśāheti nāmā mahābhūpas tasya sambandhena śako 'yaṃ jātaḥ |

Now, in the fifth chapter, the knowledge of the Malakī era $(t\bar{a}r\bar{i}kha-malak\bar{i})$ era. This era was produced in relation to the [Seljuk] King named Sulṭān

pire] (alb arslān saljūgī).

Jalāl al-Dīn Malik Šāh [I] (sulatānajalāladdīna-malaka-śāha), the son of the one called Alp Arslān of the Seljuk [Empire] (alaba-arasalāna-salajūkī).

SS

SS

ff. 14r-15r Al

ff. 16rv-Kh

ff. 14v-15r Pg

ff. 12r-14r Al

ff. 14r-16r Kh

ff. 13r-14v Pg

ZŠJ

ff. 7v-1or D

ff. 8r-9v H

Begins with

در دانستن این پنج از یکدیگر بطریق عمل f. – Q pp. 12-15 R

> dar dānistan-i īn panj az yak-dīgar ba tarīq-i camal u ba tarīq-i jadval

On determining these five [eras] from one another via calculation and via tables.

ZŠI [§ I.7]

باب هفتم (bāb-i haftum): ff. 10rv D

Seventh chapter ff. 9v-1or H

f. 9r L Begins with

f. 13r O

در بیان تاریخ هندی f. - O dar bayān-i tārīh-i hindī pp. 15-16 R

ff. 8v-9r S On the explanation of the Hindī era

(tārīh-i hindī).

Remark See Appendix § H for the text and translation of this chapter.

ff. 7v–9r L

ff. 11v-13r O

ff. 7v-8v S

و بطريق جدول

[§ I.6] بات ششم (bāb-i šišum): Sixth chapter

[§ I.6]

षष्ठाध्याय (sasthādhyāya):

Sixth chapter

Begins with

अथ षष्ठाध्याये पञ्चतारीखाणां परस्परज्ञानं गणितेन कोष्ठैर्वा ।

atha sasthādhyāye pañcatārīkhānām parasparajñānam gaņitena kosthair vā |

Now, in the sixth chapter, the mutual knowledge of the five eras (pañcatārīkha) [from one another] with computation and with tables.

A corresponding chapter is absent.

ZŠŢ |§ I.8|

ff. 9rv S

بات هشتم (bāb-i haštum): f. 10v D

Eighth chapter f. 10r H

ff. 9rv L Begins with ff. 13r-14r O f. – Q

ور استخراج تاریخ هندی از تاریخ عربی و अथ सप्तमाध्याये विक्रमार्कशकतो हिजरीशकज्ञानं عکس آن हिजरीतो विक्रमार्कशक्ञानं च। pp. 16-17 R

|§ I.7|

सप्तमाध्याय (saptamādhyāya):

Seventh chapter Begins with

dar istiḥrāj-i tārīḥ-i hindī az tārīḥ-i carabī atha u caks-i ān

On the derivation of the Hindī era $(t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h-i\ hind\bar{\imath})$ from the Arabic era $(t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h-i\ ^carab\bar{\imath})$ and vice versa.

atha saptamādhyāye vikramārkaśakato hijarīśakajñānaṃ hijarīto vikramārkaśakajñānaṃ ca |

Now, in the seventh chapter, the knowledge of the Hijri era (hijarī-śaka) from the Vikram Saṃvat era (vikramārka-śaka) and the knowledge of the Vikram Saṃvat era from the Hijri [era].

ZŠJ [§ **I.9**] ff. 10V–15V D باب (*bāb-i nuhum*): ff. 10V–13V H Ninth chapter

ff. 9V–12V L ff. 14r–18V O

در معرفت تاریخ خطا و ایغور و آن مشتمل _{f.-Q} pp. 17-24 R بر ده فصل است dar ma^crifat-i tārīh-i hatā u uyġūr u ān

muštamil bar dah faṣl ast

On the knowledge of the Chinese

On the knowledge of the Chinese $(t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h-ihat\bar{a})$ and Uyghur $(t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h-iuy\dot{g}\bar{u}r)$ eras. In ten chapters.

[-]

A corresponding chapter is absent.

 ZŠJ
 [§ I.10]

 ff. 15v-16r D
 باب دهم (bāb-i dahum):

 from the chapter

f. 14r H Tenth chapter

f. 13r L f. 18r O Begins with

f. 13v S

f. – Q در معرفت ایام مشهوره از تاریخ p. 25 R dar ma^crifat-i ayyām-i mašhūra az tārīḫ

On the knowledge of the public days in these eras.

Remark Contains, inter alia, a Muslim calendar with a number of festivals and commemorations related to the family of the Prophet and Shia imams, and a Hindu calendar with seven festivals; see Appendix § I.

[-]

A corresponding chapter is absent.

[-]A corresponding colophon is absent.

[§ I.col] [Colophon]

SS f. 15r Al

f. 16v Kh

श्री शाहिजहाँनुपालमुकुटालङ्कारचुडामणि-सिद्धान्तसिन्धं ^{ff. 15rv Pg} दुस्तरममं स्तस्याज्ञामवलम्ब्य तरन । नित्यानन्द इति द्विजोत्तमकुपः श्रीदेवदत्तात्मजस्तारीखाख्यविनिर्णयेन सहितं काण्डं ह्यगादादिमम्।

yah śrī śāhijahāmnrpālamukuţālankāracūdāmaņis tasyājñām avalambya dustaram amum siddhāntasindhum taran | nityādvijottamakrpah nanda iti śrīdevadattātmajas tārīkhākhyavinirnayena sahitam kāṇḍam hy agād ādimam |

Having obeyed the command of the one who is the jewel in the crown of King Šāh Jahān (śāhijahām, lit. the Emperor of the World), i.e., Āṣaf Ḥān [and] accomplishing that formidable [task of composing the] Siddhāntasindhu [lit. an ocean of doctrinal truths], Nityānanda, [the one worthy of] the mercy of the best Brahmins, the son of Śri Devadatta, has indeed finished the first part associated with established entities called eras (SAN: tārīkha, per: tārīh).

ZŠI [§ II] (maqāla-yi duvum): ff. 16r–23v D Second discourse ff. 15r-22v H ff. 13v-20v L

ff. 18v-27v O Begins with

pp. 26-41 R ff. 13r-21v S

f. - Q

در معرفت اوقات و طالع هر وقت و آنچه تعلق بدان دارد مشتمل بر بیست و دو

dar ma^crifat-i awqāt u tāli^c-i har vaqt u ānči ta^calluq badān dārad muštamil bar bīst u dū bāb 11

On the knowledge of [finding] the times ($awq\bar{a}t$) and the ascendant ($t\bar{a}li^c$) at each time, and whatever belongs to it [i.e., all things related to this topic], including twenty-two chapters. 11

ZŠĮ [§ II.1]

اول (bāb-i avval): ff. 16r–17r D First chapter

ff. 15rv H ff. 13v-14r L

Begins with:

ff. 18v-19r O f. – O

ff. 13r-14r S

در بیان معرفت جنس هر یک از حاصل ضرب و خارج قسمت و جذر یعنی دانستن Pp. 26-27 R آنکه حاصل ضرب یا خارج قسمت یا جذر

[§ II] द्वितीयकाण्ड (dvitīyakāṇḍa): Second part

ff. 15r-29r Al ff. 17r-28v Kh ff. 15v-28r Pg[†]

SS

Begins with

† ff. 18v-27r desunt

नित्यानन्दस्वरूपाय सिचद्वयमूर्तये। अद्वितीयाय विभवे ऽनन्ताय ब्रह्मणे नमः ॥

(अनुष्ट्रभ्)

अथ द्वितीयकाण्डे द्वाविंशत्यध्यायैरभिमतसमय-स्तात्कालिकलग्नं च तदुपयोगीन्यपि ज्ञायन्ते ।

nityānandasvarūpāya saccidvayamurtaye | advitīyāya vibhave 'nantāya brahmane (anustubh) namah ||

atha dvitīyakānde dvāvimsatyadhyāyair abhimatasamayas tātkālikalagnam tadupayogīny api jñāyante |

Obeisance to Brahman who is the embodiment of eternal bliss, the One who has the form of both existence and thought, the One who is without a second, the omnipresent One, the One who is infinite.

Now, in the second part, the desired time (samaya) and the ascendant (lagna) at that time, as well as [things] using that, are understood with twenty-two chapters.

| § II.1 |

प्रथमाध्याय (prathamādhyāya):

ff. 15r-16r Al ff. 17r-18r Kh ff. 15v-16v Pg

SS

Begins with:

First chapter

गुणनभजनफले तत्र प्रथमाध्याये परिवर्तादिस्थानैः कलादिस्थानैर्वा किं जातीयं स्यादिति गणितसौकर्यार्थं ज्ञायते यवनप्रसिद्धप्रकारेणाङ्कस्थानानां संस्कृतशब्दैः संज्ञा कल्प्यते ।

¹¹ MS O reads: سبيست و سه باب... (...bīst u sih bāb) "...[including] twenty-three chapters."

dar bayān-i ma^crifat-i jins-i har yak az hāsil-i zarb u hārij-i qismat u jadr ya^cnī dānistan-i ānki hāsil-i zarb yā hārij-i gismat yā jadr az kudām martaba ast az marātib-i marfūcāt u daraj u ajzāc-i daraj mitl-i dagāyig u tavānī u ģayr-i ān

On the expression of the knowledge of each genus (jins) [of digits] from the result of multiplication, and the quotient of division, and the square root. In other words, to know what is the position of [the digits in] the result of multiplication, or the quotient of division, or the square root, from the positions (*marātib*) of elevated [ranks] $(marf\bar{u}^c\bar{a}t)$ [sc. integer number of revolutions], and the degree, and the fractional parts of a degree like minutes and seconds and so on.

[§ II.2] ZŠI

(bāb-i duvum): باب دوم ff. 17rv D ff. 15V-16r H Second chapter

ff. 14rv L Begins with:

ff. 19v-20r O

در عمل تعدیل ما بین السطرین که بناء آن بر اربعه اعداد متناسبه است f. - Q pp. 27-28 R ff. 14r-15r S

dar ^camal-i ta^cdīl-i mā bayna l-satrayn ki binā⁵-i ān bar arb^ca a^cdād-i mutanāsiba ast

On the method of interpolation (*camal-i tacdīl*) between two lines [of a table], which is constructed via the four correlated numbers (a^cdād-i *mutanāsiba*) [i.e., the rule of three]. tatra prathamādhyāye gunanabhajanaphale mūlam ca parivartādisthānaih kalādisthānair vā kim jātīyam syād iti | tatra ganitasaukaryārtham jñāyate yavanaprasiddhaprakārenānkasthānānām samskrtaśabdaih samjñā kalpyate |

Then, in the first chapter, what [digits] should belong to a particular genus (jātīya) in the result of multiplication and division, and the square root, that is understood by [inspecting] the positions of revolution etc. (parivartādisthāna) or by the positions of minute etc. (kalādi-sthāna). There, for the purpose of facilitating ease in computations with the method famous amongst the Muslims, the name of the positions of the digits (anka-sthāna) is declared with Sanskrit words.

[§ II.2] द्वितीयाध्याय (dvitīyādhyāya):

Begins with:

ff. 16rv Al Second chapter f. 18r Kh ff. 16v-17r Pg

SS

अथ द्वितीयाध्याये द्विकोष्ठान्तरोत्थफलसाधनम् । तस्य मूलं त्रैराशिकम् । अत्र यवनाः परस्पर-सम्बन्धिचतुराशीन्गणयन्ति । तल्लक्षणं च ।

atha dvitīyādhyāye dvikosthāntarotthaphalasādhanam | tasya mūlam trairāśikam | yavanāh parasparasambandhicatū rāśīn ganayanti | tallaksanam ca |

Now, in the second chapter, the demonstration of the resderived from the difference between two cells. The basis of this is the rule of three quantities

(trai-rāśika). Here, the Muslims take into account four correlated digits (paraspara-sambandhi-rāśi), and their definitions.

باب سيوم (bāb-i sīvum): ff. 17v–18r D Third chapter ff. 16rv H ff. 14v-15r L Begins with: ff. 20rv O در معرفت جیب و سهم dar ma^crifat-i jayb u sahm f. - Q pp. 28-29 R

[§ II.3]

ZŠĮ

ff. 15rv S

On the knowledge of the Sine (*jayb*) and the Sagitta (sahm) [i.e., the versed Sine].

ZŠI [§ II.4]

باب چهارم (bāb-i čahārum): ff. 18rv D ff. 16v–17r H Fourth chapter

ff. 15rv L

Begins with: ff. 20v-21r O

در معرفت ظل مقیاس f. - O pp. 29-30 R

dar ma^crifat-i zill-i miqyās ff. 15v-16r S

On the knowledge of the shadow (*zill*) of a gnomon.

ZŠŢ [§ II.5]

f. 16r S

بات ينجم (bāb-i panjum): ff. 18v–19r D

ff. 17rv H Fifth chapter

f. 15v L Begins with: ff. 21rv O

در معرفت ميل اجزاء فلك البروج از معدل f. - Qpp. 30-31 R

dar ma^crifat-i mayl-i ajzā³-i falak al-burūj az mu^caddil al-nahār

On the knowledge of the declination (mayl) of parts of the ecliptic (falak *al-burūj*) from the celestial equator (mu^caddil al-nahār).

[§ II.3]

तृतीयाध्याय (trtīyādhyāya):

Third chapter

Begins with:

अथ ततीयाध्याये ज्याशरज्ञानम् ।

atha tṛtīyādhyāye jyāśarajñānam |

Now, in the third chapter, the knowledge of the Sine $(jy\bar{a})$ and the versed Sine (*śara*).

[§ II.4]

चतुर्थाध्याय (caturthādhyāya):

Fourth chapter

Begins with:

अथ चतुर्थाध्याये छायाज्ञानम् ।

atha caturthādhyāye chāyājñānam |

Now, in the fourth chapter, the knowledge of the shadow (chāyā) [of a gnomon].

[§ II.5]

पञ्चमाध्याय (pañcamādhyāya):

Fifth chapter

Begins with:

अथ पञ्चमाध्याये क्रान्तिज्ञानम् । तत्र तावत्क्रान्ति-सत्रादिसंज्ञोच्यते ।

atha pañcamādhyāye krāntijñānam | tatra tāvat krāntisūtrādisamjñocyate |

Now, in the fifth chapter, the knowledge of the declination (*krānti*). There, firstly, the [technical] terms like circle of declination (krānti-sūtra) etc. are stated.

SS

SS

ff. 16v-17v Al

ff. 18r-19r Kh

ff. 17rv Pg

ff. 17v-18v Al ff. 19rv Kh

ff. 17v-18r Pg

(incomp.)

f. - Pg

ff. 18v-19r Al

ff. 19v-20r Kh

SS

ZŠJ f. 19r D f. 17v H ff. 15v-16 ff. 21v-22 f Q p. 31 R f. 16r S	f. 19r D	[§ II.6] باب ششم ($b\bar{a}b$ - i š i š u m): Sixth chapter	[§ II.6] षष्ठाध्याय (ṣaṣṭhādhyāya): Sixth chapter	SS ff. 19rv Al ff. 20rv Kh	
	ff. 15v–16r L	Begins with:	Begins with:	f. – Pg	
	f. – Q p. 31 R	در معرفت بعد كواكب از معدل النهار dar ma ^c rifat-i bu ^c d-i kavākib az mu ^c addil al-nahār	अथ षष्ठाध्याये स्पष्टकान्तिज्ञानम् । atha ṣaṣṭhādhyāye spaṣṭakrāntijñānam		
		On the knowledge of the distance (bu^cd) of a celestial object from the celestial equator.	Now, in the sixth chapter, the knowledge of the true declination (<i>spaṣṭa-krānti</i>).		
ZŠJ f. 19r D f. 17v H f. 16r L f. 22r O f. – Q pp. 31–32 ff. 16rv S	f. 19r D f. 17v H	[§ II.7] باب هفتم (bāb-i haftum): Seventh chapter	[§ II.7] सप्तमाध्याय (saptamādhyāya): Seventh chapter	SS f. 19v Al f. 20v Kh	
		Begins with:	Begins with:	f. – Pg	
		در معرفت غایت ارتفاع و انخفاض کواکب	अथ सप्तमाध्याये ग्रहस्य परमोन्नतांशानामधः- स्थपरमभागानां च ज्ञानम् ।		
		dar ma ^c rifat-i ģāyat-i irtifā ^c u inhifāż-i kavākib	atha saptamādhyāye grahasya paramonna- tāṃśānām adhaḥsthaparamabhāgānāṃ ca jñānam		
		On the knowledge of the maximum elevation $(\dot{g}\bar{a}yat\text{-}iirtif\bar{a}^c)$ and depression $(inlyif\bar{a}\dot{z})$ of celestial objects.	Now, in the seventh chapter, the knowledge of the degrees of the maximum elevation (parama-unnata-aṃśa) and the degrees of the maximum depression (adhaḥstha-parama-bhāga) of a planet.		
ZŠJ ff. 19rv D ff. 17v–18r H f. 16r L f. 22r O f. – Q p. 32 R f. 16v S	ff. 19rv D	[§ II.8] باب هشتم (bāb-i haštum): Eighth chapter	[§ II.8] अष्टमाध्याय (<i>aṣṭamādhyāya</i>): Eighth chapter	SS ff. 19v–20r Al ff. 20v–21r Kh f. – Pg	
		Begins with:	Begins with:		
	f. – Q	در معرفت مطالع خط استوا و آنرا مطالع فلك مستقيم نيز گويند	अथ अष्टमाध्याये व्यक्षोयांशज्ञानम् । तेषां लङ्को- दयांशसंज्ञाप्युच्यते । तल्लक्षणमाह ।		
	dar ma ^c rifat-i maṭāli ^c -i ḫaṭṭ-i istivā u ān rā maṭāli ^c -i falak-i mustaqīm nīz gūyand	atha aṣṭamādhyāye vyakṣoyāṃśajñānam teṣāṃ laṅkodayāṃśasaṃjñāpy ucyate tallakṣaṇam āha			

On the knowledge of the ascensions Now, in the eighth chapter, the knowl- $(mat\bar{a}li^c)$ [of the ecliptic] at the line edge of the rising [of zodiacal signs]

of the terrestrial equator (hatt-i istivā) [i.e., the right ascensions of the zodiacal signs]. And that is also called the ascensions [of the ecliptic] in the right sphere (falak-i mustaqīm).

at the terrestrial equator in degrees (vyakṣa-udaya-amśa) [i.e., the right ascensions of the degrees of the ecliptic. All of them are also called the rising of the zodiacal signs] at Lankā in degrees (lankā-udaya-amśa) by name. Their definitions are stated [as follows].

ZŠŢ [§ II.9] ff. 19v-20r D ff. 18rv H ff. 16rv L

:(bāb-i nuhum) باب نهم Ninth chapter

Begins with:

ff. 22r-23r O f. - Qpp. 32-33 R

ff. 16v-17v S

در معرفت تعديل النهار و قوس النهار و قوس الليل و ساعات النهار و ساعات الليل dar ma^crifat-i ta^cdīl al-nahār u gaws al-nahār u gaws al-layl u sā^cāt al-nahār u sā^cāt al-layl

On the knowledge of the equation of daylight ($ta^{c}d\bar{\imath}l$ al- $nah\bar{a}r$); and the arc of daylight (*qaws al-nahār*) and the arc of night (qaws al-layl); and the hours of daylight (sācāt al-nahār) and the hours of night ($s\bar{a}^c\bar{a}t$ al-layl).

[§ II.10] ZŠJ

(bāb-i dahum): Tenth chapter

Begins with:

ff. 16v-17r L f. 23r O

f. 2or D

f. 18v H

f. – Q

p. 33 R

f. 17v S

در معرفت مطالع بلد dar ma^crifat-i maṭāli^c-i balad

On the knowledge of the ascensions (matāli^c) [of the ecliptic] of a locality (balad) [i.e., the oblique ascensions of the zodiacal signs].

[§ II.9] SS नवमाध्याय (navamādhyāya): ff. 20rv Al Ninth chapter ff. 21rv Kh f. - PgBegins with:

अथ नवमाध्याये चरदिनरात्रिवामानां दिनरात्रि-होरादीनां च ज्ञानम् । तत्र तावत्तेषां लक्षणम् ।

atha navamādhyāye caradinarātrivāmānām dinarātrihorādīnām ca jñānam | tatra tāvat tesām laksanam |

Now, in the ninth chapter, the knowledge of the ascensional difference (cara) of the oblique diurnal circle (dina-rātri-vāma-[vrtta]) and of the hours of day and night (dina-rātri*horā*) etc. There, firstly, all of their definitions [are stated].

|§ II.10|

दशमाध्याय (daśamādhyāya):

ff. 20v-21r Al Tenth chapter ff. 21v-22r Kh f. - Pg Begins with:

SS

अथ दशमाध्याये निजोदयांशज्ञानम् । तल्लक्षणं च । atha daśamādhyāye nijodayāmśajñānam | tallaksanam ca |

Now, in the tenth chapter, the knowledge of the rising [of the zodiacal signs] in one's own location (nijaudaya-amśa) [i.e., the oblique ascensions of the degrees of the ecliptic], and their definitions.

ZŠI ff. 20ry D f. 17r L ff. 23rv O f. - Q

pp. 33-34 R

ff. 17V-18r S

[§ II.11] باب يازدهم (bāb-i yāzdahum): ff. 18v–19r H Eleventh chapter

Begins with:

در عمل عكس مطالع يعنى معرفت طوالع از مطالع بعمل

dar ^camal-i ^caks-i maṭāli^c ya^cnī ma^crifat-i tavāli^c az matāli^c ba ^camal

On the inverse method (*camal-i caks*) [of] ascensions ($matali^c$); in other words, the knowledge of the [ecliptic degrees of the] ascendants (tavālic) from the [local] ascensions [i.e., from the oblique ascensions of the ascendants] by direct calculation.

ZŠĮ f. 20v D f. 19r H ff. 17rv L f. 23v O f. – Q

p. 34 R

f. 18r S

[§ II.12]

:(bāb-i davāzdahum) باب دوازدهم Twelfth chapter

Begins with:

در معرفت مطالع ممر و درجه ممر كوكب

dar ma^crifat-i matāli^c-i mamarr u daraja-yi mamarr-i kawkah

On the knowledge of the ascensions (*maṭāli^c*) of [the degrees of the meridian] transit (mamarr)—[i.e., the right ascension of the zodiacal sign culminating with a celestial object]—and the [ecliptic] degree of the [meridian]

[§ II.11]

एकाद्शाध्याय (ekādaśādhyāya):

Eleventh chapter ff. 22rv Kh f. – Pg

SS

SS

ff. 21v-22r Al

ff. 21rv Al

Begins with:

अथैकादशाध्याये स्वोदयांशेभ्यो विनेव कोष्ठकै-र्विलोमिकयातो विलग्नांशकज्ञानम् । विलोमिकया-लक्षणम् ।

athaikādaśādhyāye svodayāṃśebhyo kosthakair vilomakriyāto vinaiva vilagnāmśakajñānam vilomakriyālaksanam |

Now, in the eleventh chapter, the knowledge of the [ecliptic] degrees of the ascendants (vilagna-amśaka) from the rising [of the zodiacal signs] in one's own location (sva-udaya-aṇiśa) [i.e. from the oblique ascensions of the ascendants] without [using] the tables [and] by using the inverse procedure (viloma-kriyā). The definition of the inverse procedure [is first stated].

[§ II.12]

द्वादशाध्याय (dvādaśādhyāya): Twelfth chapter

Begins with:

ff. 22v-23r Kh f. - Pg अथ द्वादशाध्याये नक्षत्रस्य लङ्कायामुदये जाते

सित भोदयलग्नव्यक्षोदयांशभोदयलग्नांशयोर्ज्ञानम् । तल्लक्षणम् ।

atha dvādaśādhyāye naksatrasya laṅkāyām udaye jāte sati bhodayalagnavyaksodayāmśabhodayalagnāmśayor jñānam | tallaksanam |

Now, in the twelfth chapter, when a celestial object rises at Lankā [i.e., at the terrestrial equator, the knowledge of the degrees of equatorial ascension (vyakṣa-udaya-aṃśa) of the [meridian] ecliptic point (*lagna*) at the [time of]

transit [at the time of rising] of a celestial object—[i.e., the ecliptic longitude of the zodiacal sign culminating with a celestial object].

rising of a celestial object—[i.e., the right ascension of the zodiacal sign culminating with the celestial object] and the degrees of the [meridian] ecliptic point at the [time of] rising of a celestial object—[i.e., the ecliptic longitude of the zodiacal sign culminating with the celestial object]. Their definitions [are first stated].

ZŠŢ f. 20v D ff. 19rv H

باب سيزدهم (bāb-i sīzdahum): Thirteenth chapter

f. 17v L ff. 23v-24r O

pp. 34-35 R

f. - Q

f. 18r S

Begins with:

[§ II.13]

در مطالع طالع و غروب كواكب

dar maṭāli^c-i ṭulū^c u ġurūb-i kavākib

On the [right] ascensions (matāli^c) of the rising $(tul\bar{u}^c)$ and setting $(\dot{g}ur\bar{u}b)$ of celestial objects.

[§ II.13] SS त्रयोदशाध्याय (trayodaśādhyāya): ff. 22rv Al Thirteenth chapter f. 23r Kh f. - Pg

Begins with:

अथ त्रयोदशाध्याये नक्षत्रस्योदयसमये ऽस्तसमये च निजोदयांशकज्ञानम् । तल्लक्षणं पूर्वार्धमध्ये प्रोक्तमेव ।

atha trayodaśādhyāye nakṣatrasyodayasamaye 'stasamaye ca nijodayāmśakajñānam | tallaksanam pūrvārdhamadhye proktameva |

Now, in the thirteenth chapter, at the time of rising (udaya-samaya) and time of setting (asta-samaya) of a celestial object, the knowledge of the rising [of the zodiacal signs in one's own location in degrees (*nija-udaya-amśaka*)—[i.e., the oblique ascensions of the degrees of the ecliptic]. The definition of that has already been declared in the first half [of § II].

ZŠJ [§ II.14]

ff. 20v-21r D باب چهاردهم (bāb-i čahārdahum): Fourteenth chapter f. 19v H

ff. 17v-18r L ff. 24rv O

ff. 18rv S

Begins with:

f. - Q p. 35 R [§ II.14]

चतुर्दशाध्याय (caturdaśādhyāya):

Begins with:

अथ चतुर्दशाध्याये ऽभीप्सितोन्नतांशाधरांशेभ्यः در معرفت سمت از ارتفاع یا انخفاض स्वदिगंशज्ञानम् ।

SS f. 22v-23r Al Fourteenth chapter ff. 23rv Kh f. - Pg

dar ma^crifat-i samt az irtifā^c yā inhifāż

On the knowledge of the azimuth (*samt*) from the elevation (*irtif* \bar{a}^c) or the depression (inhifāż) [of a celestial object].

atha caturdaśādhyāye 'bhīpsitonnatāmśādharāmśebhyah svadigamśajñānam |

Now, in the fourteenth chapter, the knowledge of the degrees of the azimuth in one's own location (sva-diśamśa) from the desired degrees of elevation (unnata-amśa) and the degrees of depression (adharā-amśa) [of a celestial object].

ZŠĮ [§ II.15]

باب پانزدهم (bāb-i pānzdahum): f. 21r D ff. 19V–20r H Fifteenth chapter f. 18r L

Begins with:

f. - Qpp. 35-36 R f. 18v S

f. 24v O

در معرفت ارتفاع از سمت

dar ma^crifat-i irtifā^c az samt

On the knowledge of the elevation (irti $f\bar{a}^c$) [of a celestial object] from [its] azimuth (samt).

[§ II.15]

पञ्चद्शाध्याय (pañcadaśādhyāya):

Fifteenth chapter Begins with:

SS f. 23rv Al ff. 23v-24r Kh

f. - Pg

ff. 23v-24r Al

ff. 24rv Kh

f. - Pg

अथ पञ्चद्शाध्याये दिगंशेभ्यो ऽभीष्टोन्नतांशा-धरांशज्ञानम् । तत्रानन्यत्वप्रकारोपपत्तिः ।

atha pañcadaśādhyāye digamśebhyo 'bhīstonnatāmśādharāmśajñānam | tatrānanyatvaprakāropapattih |

Now, in the fifteenth chapter, the knowledge of the desired degrees of elevation (unnata-amśa) and the degrees of depression (adharā-amśa) [of a celestial object] from the degrees of the azimuth in one's own location (sva-diś-amśa). There, a demonstration (upapatti) by the method of identity (ananyatva-prakāra) [is stated].

ZŠI [§ II.16]

باب شانزدهم (bāb-i šānzdahum): ff. 21rv D Sixteenth chapter f. 20r H

f. 18r L Begins with:

f. 24v O f. - Q

p. 36 R ff. 18v-19r S در معرفت خط نصف النهار

dar ma^crifat-i ḥaṭṭ-i niṣf al-nahār

[§ II.16]

षोडशाध्याय (sodaśādhyāya): Sixteenth chapter

Begins with:

अथ षोडशाध्याये याम्योतररेखाज्ञानम् । तस्य एव नाम मध्याह्नरेखेति । तदायनप्रकारा बहवो भवन्ति तेषां सुगमतरो ऽयम् ।

yāmyotararekhāatha șodaśādhyāye jñānam | tasya eva nāma madhyāhnaOn the knowledge of the line of midday (hatt-i nisf al-nahār) [i.e., the local meridian line].

rekheti | tadāyanaprakārā bahavo bhavanti tesām sugamataro 'yam |

Now, in the sixteenth chapter, the knowledge of the line of the meridian $(y\bar{a}mya-uttara-rekh\bar{a})$. It is even called the line of midday (madhyāhna-rekhā). There are many methods of computing this, of which, this is among the easier [one].

ZŠĮ [§ II.17]

باب هفدهم (bāb-i hifdahum): ff. 21v D Seventeenth chapter ff. 20rv H

ff. 18rv L ff. 24v-25r O

Begins with:

pp. 36-37 R ff. 19rv S

f. - Q

f. 18v L

f. – Q

p. 37 R

f. 19v S

ff. 25rv O

dar ma^crifat-i tūl u ^carż-i balad

در معرفت طول و عرض بلد

On the knowledge of the [terrestrial] longitude ($t\bar{u}l$) and latitude ($^{c}ar\dot{z}$) of a locality (balad).

[§ II.17]

सप्तद्शाध्याय (saptadaśādhyāya): Seventeenth chapter

Begins with:

SS ff. 24rv Al ff. 24v-25r Kh f. - Pg

अथ सप्तदशाध्याये देशान्तराक्षांशज्ञानम् । तल्लक्षणं च ।

atha saptadaśādhyāye deśāntarāksāmśajñānam | tallaksanam ca |

Now, in the seventeenth chapter, the knowledge of the degrees of [terrestrial] longitude (deśāntara) and latitude (akṣa) [in one's own location], and their definitions.

ZŠJ |§ II.18|

بات هژدهم (bāb-i hiždahum): ff. 21v-22r D Eighteenth chapter f. 20v H

Begins with:

در معرفت عرض اقلیم رؤیت

dar ma^crifat-i ^carż-i iqlīm-i ru³yat

On the knowledge of the latitude (*carż*) of the visible climate (*iqlīm*) [i.e., the zenith distance of the nonagesimal point].

[§ II.18]

अष्टादशाध्याय (aṣṭādaśādhyāya): Eighteenth chapter

Begins with:

SS ff. 24v-25r Al

ff. 25rv Kh f. - Pg

अथाष्टादशाध्याये दक्क्षेपदग्गतिज्ञानम् । तल्लक्षणं च ।

athāṣṭādaśādhyāye dṛkkṣepadṛggatijñānam | tallaksanam ca |

Now, in the eighteenth chapter, the knowledge of the zenith distance of the nonagesimal point (*dṛkkṣepa*) and the zenith distance of the ecliptic pole (*drggati*), and their definitions.

ZŠI [§ II.19] [§ II.19] SS :(bāb-i nūzdahum) باب نوزدهم एकोनविंशाध्याय (ekonavimśādhyāya): f. 22r D ff. 25r-26v Al ff. 20v-21r H Nineteenth chapter Nineteenth chapter ff. 25v-26v Kh ff. 18v-19r L f. - PgBegins with: Begins with: f. 25v O در استخراج بعد میان دو کوکب अथैकोनविंशाध्याये द्विनक्षत्रान्तरांशकज्ञानम् । f. - Q तल्लक्षणम् । pp. 37-38 R dar istihrāj-i bu ^cd miyān-i dū kawkab athaikonavimśādhyāye dvinaksatrāntarāmff. 19v-20r S śakajñānam | tallakṣaṇam | On the determination of the distance Now, in the nineteenth chapter, the knowledge of the interior degrees (bu^cd) between two celestial object. (antara-amśa) [of separation] between two celestial objects. Its definition [is first stated]. ZŠĮ [§ II.20] [§ II.20] SS بات بيستم (bāb-i bīstum): विंशाध्याय (vimśādhyāya): ff. 22r–23r D ff. 26v-27v Al Twentieth chapter Twentieth chapter ff. 21rv H ff. 26v-27r Kh ff. 19rv L f. - PgBegins with: Begins with: ff. 25v-26v O अथ विंशाध्याये स्वपुरे सौम्ययाम्यदिग्भ्यां दिगंशैः در معرفت سمت قبله و انحراف او f. - O काशी कास्तीति ज्ञायते । pp. 38-40 R atha vimśādhyāye svapure saumyayāmyadar ma^crifat-i samt-i qibla u inhirāf-i ū ff. 20rv S digbhyām digamśaih kāśī kvāstīti jñāyate | On the knowledge of the azimuth Now, in the twentieth chapter, [the (samt) of Qibla [i.e., the direction of direction of Kāśī is understood with Mecca] and its inclination (*inhirāf*). the degrees of azimuth (diś-amśa) [measured] from both the northern and southern directions (saumyayāmya-diś) in one's own city. [§ II.21] [§ II.21] SS एकविंशतितमाध्याय (ekaviṃśatitamādhyāya): ff. 27v-28v Al باب بیست و یکم bāb-i bīst u yakum): ff. 21V-22r H Twenty-first chapter Twenty-first chapter ff. 27r-28r Kh ff. 19V-20r L Begins with: f. 27v Pg Begins with: (incomp.) ff. 26v-27r O در معرفت طالع از ارتفاع अथ एकविंशतिमे ऽध्याये ऽभीष्टोन्नतांशेभ्यो f. - O लग्नज्ञानम् । उन्नतज्यायाः पर्यायः शङ्करपि p. 40 R प्रथमतस्तु नतकलांशाः शोध्याः । तल्लक्षणम् । ff. 20v-21r S

śebhyo

atha ekavimśatime 'dhyāye 'bhīṣṭonnatām-

lagnajñānam | unnatajyāyāh

dar ma^crifat-i ṭāli^c az irtifā^c

SS

On the knowledge of the ascendant $(t\bar{a}li^c)$ from the elevation $(irtif\bar{a}^c)$.

paryāyaḥ śaṅkurapi prathamatas tu natakālāṃśāḥ śodhyāḥ | tallakṣaṇam |

Now, in the twenty-first chapter, the knowledge of the ascendant (*lagna*) from the desired degrees of elevation (*unnata-aṃśa*). But firstly, the method of [determining the height of] the gnomon (*śańku*) [corresponding to the altitude of the celestial object] from the Sine of [the degrees of] the elevation (*unnata-jyā*) [and then] the corrected degrees of hour angle (*natakāla-aṃśa*). Their definitions [are first stated].

ZŠJ [**§ II.22**] f. 23v D ت و دوم

ff. 22rv H

ff. 20rv L

ff. 27rv O

pp. 40-41 R

ff. 21rv S

f. - Q

و دوم الب بيست و دوم bāb-i bīst u duvum): Twenty-second chapter

Begins with:

در معرفت ارتفاع یا انخفاض کواکب از مطالع/طالع

dar ma^crifat-i irtifā^c yā inhifāż-i kavākib az maṭāli^c/ṭāli^c

On the knowledge of the elevation $(irtif\bar{a}^c)$ or depression $(inhif\bar{a}\dot{z})$ of celestial objects from the ascendant(s) $(mat\bar{a}li^c/t\bar{a}li^c)$.

[§ II.22]

द्वाविंशतितमाध्याय (dvāviṃśatitamādhyāya): ff. 28v–29r Al Twenty-second chapter ff. 28rv Kh

Begins with:

अथ द्वाविंशतिमे ऽध्याये खगस्य स्वोद्यांशेभ्यो ऽभीष्टोन्नतांशानामधरांशकानां च ज्ञानम् । एतस्रक्षणं पूर्वमेषोक्तम् ।

atha dvāviṃśatime 'dhyāye khagasya svodayāṃśebhyo 'bhīṣṭonnatāṃśānāmadharāṃśakānāṃ ca jñānam | etallakṣaṇaṃ pūrvameṣoktam |

Now, in the twenty-second chapter, the knowledge of the desired degrees of elevation (unnata-aṃśa) and of the degrees of depression (adhara-aṃśaka) from the rising [of the zodiacal signs] in one's own location in degrees (sva-udaya-aṃśa) of a celestial object. The definition of this has already been declared in the first half [of § II].

[-] A corresponding colophon is absent.

[§ II.col] [Colophon]

SS f. 29r Al f. 28v Kh f. 28r Pg (finis)

यः श्री शाहजहाँनृपालमुकुटालङ्कारचूडामणि-स्तस्याज्ञामवलम्ब्य दुस्तरममुं सिद्धान्त-सिन्धुं तरन् । नित्यानन्द इति द्विजोत्तमकृपः श्रीदेवदत्तात्मजिस्त्रप्रश्नप्रचुरोक्तियुक्तिसहितं काण्डं द्वितीयं ह्यगात ।

yaḥ śrī śāhajahāmnṛpālamukuṭālaṅkāracūḍāmaṇis tasyājñām avalambya dustaram amuṃ siddhāntasindhuṃ taran | nityānanda iti dvijottamakṛpaḥ śrīdevadattātmajas tripraśnapracuroktiyuktisahitam kāndam dvitīyam hy agāt |

Having obeyed the command of the one who is the jewel in the crown of King Šāh Jahān (śāhijahām, lit. the Emperor of the World), i.e., Āṣaf Ḥān [and] accomplishing that formidable [task of composing the] Siddhāntasindhu [lit. an ocean of doctrinal truths], Nityānanda, [the one worthy of] the mercy of the best Brahmins, the son of Śri Devadatta, has indeed finished the second part accompanied by many statements and rationales on the *tripraśna*—[i.e., on topics related to the 'three questions' on determining the direction (diś), location (deśa), and time $(k\bar{a}la)$].

orči.	[c III]
ZŠJ	[§ III]
ff. 78r–87v D	مقاله سيوم (maqāla-yi sīvum):
ff. 72r–80v H	Third discourse
ff. 90r–97v L	Begins with
ff. 78r–87v O	8
ff. 75r–83r Q	در معرفت روش ستارگان و مواضع ایشان در طول و عرض و توابع آن
pp. 53-72 R	در طول و عرض و توابع آن
ff. 27v–36r S	<u> </u>
	dar ma ^c rifat-i raviš-i sitāragān u mavāżi ^c -i

īšān dar tūl u ^carż u tavābi^c-i ān

On the knowledge of the movement of the starts, their positions in longitude $(t\bar{u}l)$ and latitude (carz) and other things pertaining to this matter.

[§ III] तृतीयकाण्ड (<i>tṛtīyakāṇḍa</i>): Third part	SS f. – Al ff. 98v–
Begins with	11. 90V- 111V Kh f. – Pg
श्री गणपतये नमः ।	O .

वन्दे तं परमानन्दं यो ऽव्यक्तो व्यक्तकारणम् । परमो निर्गुणः शान्तो नितान्तं योगिवल्लभः ॥ (अनुष्टुभ) अथ तृतीयकाण्डे पञ्चदशभिरध्यायैर्ग्रहाणां षड्विध-वारेण स्फुटत्वं तदुपयोगि च तत्संगत्यान्यद्पि ज्ञायते ।

śrī gaṇapataye namaḥ |
vande taṃ paramānandaṃ
yo 'vyakto vyaktakāraṇam |
paramo nirguṇaḥ śānto
nitāntaṃ yogivallabhaḥ || (anuṣṭubh)

atha tṛtīyakāṇḍe pañcadaśabhir adhyāyair grahāṇāṃ ṣaḍvidhavāreṇa sphuṭatvaṃ tadupayogi ca tatsaṃgatyānyad api jñāyate|

Obeisance to Gaṇapati.

Salutations to the One who is the greatest bliss, the One who is unmanifested [despite being] the cause of all things manifest, the Supreme Being, the One without attributes, the One who is free of passion, the One dearly beloved by ascetics.

Now, in the third part, with fifteen chapters, the true position (*sphuṭatva*) [i.e., the longitude] of the planets with six methods repeatedly and its application, even though different by chance, is understood.

ZŠJ f. 78r D	[§ III.1] اباب اول (bāb-i avval):	[§ III.1] प्रथमाध्याय (prathamādhyāya):	SS f. – Al
f. 72r H	First chapter	First chapter	ff. 98v–99r Kh
f. 90r L	Begins with:	Begins with:	f. – Pg
f. 78r O f. 75r Q f. 53 R f. 27v S	در معرفت تعدیل ایام dar ma ^c rifat-i ta ^c dīl-i ayyām	तत्र प्रथमे ऽध्याये दिनफलज्ञानम् । तल्लक्षणम् । tatra prathame 'dhyāye dinaphalajñānam tallakṣaṇam	
	On the knowledge of the equation of time $(ta^c d\bar{\imath}l - i \ ayy\bar{a}m)$.	Then, in the first chapter, the knowledge of the equation of time (<i>dinaphala</i>). Its definition [is first stated].	
ZŠJ ff. 78rv D ff. 72rv H	[§ III.2] باب دوم ($b\bar{a}b$ - i duvum): Second chapter	[§ III.2] द्वितीयाध्याय (dvitīyādhyāya): Second chapter	SS f. – Al ff. 99rv Kh
ff. 90rv L	Begins with:	Begins with:	f. – Pg
ff. 78rv O ff. 75rv Q pp. 53–54 R ff. 27v–28r S	در استخراج اوساط کواکب dar istiḥrāj-i awsāṭ-i kavākib	अथ द्वितीये ऽध्याये मध्यमग्रहानयनम् । atha dvitīye 'dhyāye madhyamagrahā- nayanam	
	On the determination of mean longitudes $(aws\bar{a}t)$ of celestial objects.	Now, in the second chapter, calculating the mean (<i>madhyama</i>) [longitudes of] planets.	
ZŠJ	[§ III.3]	[§ III.3]	SS
	باب سيوم (bāb-i sīvum):	तृतीयाध्याय (tṛtīyādhyāya):	f. – Al
ff. 72v-73v H ff. 90v-91v L	Third chapter	Third chapter	ff. 99v– 100v Kh
ff. 78v–79v O	Begins with:	Begins with:	f. – Pg
ff. 75v–76v Q pp. 54–56 R ff. 28r–29r S	در بیان استخراج تقاویم سبعه سیاره و راس میزان آن	अथ तृतीये ऽध्याये स्फुटग्रहानयनम् । तत्र सूर्यस्य द्विविधं स्फुटीकरणं । एकं तुङ्गफलदानेन द्वितीयं च सारण्या तत्र फलदानेनाह ।	_
	dar bayān-i istiḥrāj-i taqāvīm-i sab ^c a sayyāra u rās-i mīzān-i ān	atha tṛtīye 'dhyāye sphuṭagrahānayanam tatra sūryasya dvividhaṃ sphuṭīkaraṇaṃ ekaṃ tuṅgaphaladānena dvitīyaṃ ca sāraṇyā tatra phaladānenāha	
	On the expression of the determination of the true longitudes $(taq\bar{a}v\bar{\imath}m)$ of the seven planets and the head of Libra $(r\bar{a}s-im\bar{\imath}z\bar{a}n)$ [fortasse, autumnal equinox or o° Libra?].	Now, in the second chapter, calculating the true (<i>sphuṭa</i>) [longitudes of] planets. There, the determination of true longitude of the Sun is of two kinds: first, by means of the equation of apo-	

gee (*tunga-phala*) and then secondly, by means of the equation (*phala*) said to be

tuṣṭayārambhavakramārgasthānānayanam |

obtained with tables.

ZŠJ f. 8or D f. 73v H	[§ III.4] باب چهارم ($b\bar{a}b$ - i čah \bar{a} ru m): Fourth chapter	[§ III.4] चतुर्थाध्याय (caturthādhyāya): Fourth chapter	SS f. – Al f. 100v Kh
f. 91v L ff. 79v–8or O	Begins with:	Begins with:	f. – Pg
f. 76v Q pp. 56–57 R ff. 29rv S	در دانستن عروض كواكب متحيره و قمر dar dānistan-i ^c urūż-i kavākib-i mutaḥayyira u qamar	अथ चतुर्थाध्याये विना सूर्यं ग्रहशरज्ञानम् । atha caturthādhyāye vinā sūryaṃ grahaśa- rajñānam	
	On knowing the latitudes (${}^{c}ur\bar{u}\dot{z}$) of celestial objects and the Moon.	Now, in the fourth chapter, the knowledge of the latitude (<i>śara</i>) of the planets excluding the Sun.	
ZŠJ ff. 80rv D ff. 73v–74r H	[§ III.5] باب پنجم ($b\bar{a}b$ - i pan j u m): Fifth chapter	[§ III.5] पञ्चमाध्याय (pañcamādhyāya): Fifth chapter	SS f. – Al ff. 100v–
f. 91v L	Begins with:	Begins with:	101r Kh
f. 8or O f. 76v Q p. 57 R	در دانستن ابعاد نیران از مرکز عالم	अथ पञ्चमाध्याये सूर्येन्द्वोर्भूगर्भादिव पर्यन्तकर्णा- नयनम् ।	f. – Pg
f. 29v S	dar dānistan-i ab ^c ād-i nayyirān az markaz-i ^c ālam	atha pañcamādhyāye sūryendvor bhū- garbhād iva paryantakarṇānayanam	
	On knowing the distances of the [two] luminaries from the centre of the world (markaz-i cālam).	Now, in the fifth chapter, calculating the radius of the circumference [of the orbit] of the Sun and the Moon precisely from the centre of the Earth ($bh\bar{u}$ - $garbha$).	
ZŠJ	[§ III.6] باب ششم (bāb-i šišum):	[§ III.6] षष्ठाध्याय (ṣaṣṭhādhyāya):	SS f. – Al
f. 8ov D f. 74r H ff. 91v–92r L ff. 8orv O ff. 76v–77r Q pp. 57–58 R f. 29v S	Sixth chapter	Sixth chapter	ff. 101rv Kh
	Begins with:	Begins with:	f. – Pg
	در دانستن نطاقات و مقامات کواکب	अथ षष्ठाध्याये ग्रहाणां केन्द्रपद्चतुष्टयारम्भवक- मार्गस्थानानयनम् ।	
	dar dānistan-i niṭāqāt u maqāmāt-i kavākib	atha ṣaṣṭḥādhyāye grahāṇāṃ kendrapadaca	! -

On knowing the zones (*nitāqāt*) and the stations (maqāmāt) of celestial objects [during retrograde motion].

Now, in the sixth chapter, calculating the stations (sthāna) during the retrograde motion (vakra-mārga) [and] the beginnings of the four quarters [of the eccentric with respect to the anomaly (kendra) of the planets.

ZŠI

ff. 8ov-81v D بات هفتم (bāb-i haftum): Seventh chapter

ff. 74rv H ff. 92rv L

Begins with: ff. 8ov-81r O

[§ III.7]

ff. 77rv Q pp. 58-59 R ff. 29v-3or S در قسمت تقویم کواکب و عروض آنها

dar qismat-i taqvīm-i kavākib u curūż-i ānhā

On the division of the true longitudes (taqvīm) of celestial objects and their latitudes (*curūż*).

ZŠI [§ III.8]

ff. 81v–82v D باب هشتم (bāb-i haštum): ff. 74v-75v H Eighth chapter

ff. 92v-93v L

Begins with: ff. 81r-82r O

در دانستن اوقات اتصالات کواکب با یکدیگر ff. 77v-78r Q pp. 59-61 R ff. 30r-31r S

dar dānistan-i awqāt-i ittisālāt-i kavākib bā yak-dīgar u tahvīlāt

On knowing the times of conjunction (awqāt-i ittisālāt) of the celestial objects with one another and their return.

[§ III.7] SS सप्तमाध्याय (saptamādhyāya): f. - Al Seventh chapter ff. 101v-

Begins with:

f. - Pg

102r Kh

अथ सप्तमाध्याये ग्रहाणां प्रत्यहस्फुटत्वं शरभुक्त्या च शरः साध्यते ।

atha saptamādhyāye grahānām pratyahasphutatvam śarabhuktyā ca śarah sādhyate |

Now, in the seventh chapter, the daily true [longitude] (sphuṭatva) divided by the latitude (*śara*), and the latitude of planets is calculated.

[§ III.8]

و تحويلات

अष्टमाध्याय (astamādhyāya): Eighth chapter

f. - Al ff. 102r-103v Kh

SS

Begins with:

f. - Pg

अथ अष्टमाध्याये परस्परग्रहयोगसंक्रान्तिसमया-नयनम् ।

atha astamādhyāye parasparagrahayogasamkrāntisamayānayanam |

Now, in the eighth chapter, calculating the times of zodiacal ingress (saṃkrānti) and conjunction (yoga) of planets with one another.

[§ III.9]

SS

نهم (bāb-i nuhum): नवमाध्याय (navamādhyāya): f. - A1 f. 82v D ff. 75v–76r H Ninth chapter Ninth chapter f. 103v Kh f. 93v L f. - PgBegins with: Begins with: ff. 82rv O در سان ساعات بست و بهدره अथ नवमाध्याये बस्तभद्रयोहीरानयनम् । अथ f. 78v Q यवनमते बस्तचकं भद्रासादृश्येन प्रायो ऽङ्गीकतं pp. 61-62 R तस्य सप्तविभागैः परिभ्रमणं भवति प्रत्येकभागस्य ff. 31rv S द्वादशविषमहोरा गण्यते । dar bayān-i sā^cāt-i bust u bhadra atha navamādhyāye bustabhadrayor horānayanam | atha yavanamate bustacakram bhadrāsādršyena prāyo 'ngīkrtam tasya saptavibhāgaih paribhramanam bhavati pratyekabhāgasya dvādaśavisamahorā ganyate | On the hours $(s\bar{a}^c\bar{a}t)$ of bust and bhadra Now, in the ninth chapter, calculating (san: bhadrā). the hours ($hor\bar{a}$) of busta (PER: bust) and bhadrā. Now, according to the opinion of the Muslims, the cycle including the busta is commonly agreed to resemble the [Indian] bhadrā. Its revolution occurs with seven parts, [where] twelve unequal hours should be regarded as each of its part.

ZŠJ [§ III.10] ff. 82v-83v D باب (bāb-i dahum): ff. 76r-77r H Tenth chapter ff. 93v-94v L Begins with: ff. 82v-83v O ff. 78v-79v Q pp. 62-64 R dar ma^crifat-i husūf

ff. 31v-32v S

ZŠI

[§ III.9]

On the knowledge of lunar eclipses (husuf).

[§ III.10] SS
दशमाध्याय (daśamādhyāya): f. – Al
Tenth chapter ff. 103v–
Begins with:

अथ दशमाध्याये चन्द्रग्रहणानयनम् ।

atha daśamādhyāye candragrahaṇānayanam |

Now, in the tenth chapter, calculating the lunar eclipses (*candra-grahaṇa*).

ZŠJ ff. 83v–85v C ff. 77r–79r H	[§ III.11] باب يازدهم (<i>bāb-i yāzdahum</i>): Eleventh chapter	एकादशाध्याय (ekādaśādhyāya):	SS f. · ff.
ff. 83v–86r O ff. 79v–81v Q pp. 64–69 R	Begins with: در معرفت کسوف dar ma ^c rifat-i kusūf On the knowledge of solar eclipses (kusūf).	Begins with: अथ एकादशाध्याये सूर्यग्रहणानयनम् । atha ekādaśādhyāye sūryagrahaṇānayanam Now, in the eleventh chapter, calculat- ing solar eclipse (sūrya-grahaṇa).	f
ZŠJ ff. 85v–86v D ff. 79r–8or H	[§ III.12] باب دوازدهم (bāb-i davāzdahum): Twelfth chapter	द्वादशाध्याय (dvādaśādhyāya):	SS f ff.
ff. 86r–87r O ff. 81v–82r Q pp. 69–70 R	Begins with: در معرفت وقت رؤیه هلال و ظهور و خفای کواکب dar ma ^c rifat-i vaqt-i ru ^o ya-yi hilāl u zuhūr u ḥafā-yi kavākib	Begins with: अथ द्वादशाध्याये नवचन्द्रोदयानयनम् । पुनरत्रैव ग्रहाणामुद्यास्तानयनम् । atha dvādaśādhyāye navacandrodayā- nayanam punar atra iva grahāṇāmudayā- stānayanam	f
	e e	Now, in the twelfth chapter, calculating the rising of the new Moon (nava-candra-udaya). And also in	

 $(zuh\bar{u}r)$ and disappearance $(haf\bar{u})$ of cethis [chapter], calculating the rising lestial objects.

ZŠJ [§ III.13] ff. 86v-87r D باب سيزدهم (bāb-i sīzdahum): Thirteenth chapter ff. 8orv H f. 97v L Begins with: ff. 87rv O در معرفت طالع از ساعات و تسوية البيوت ff. 82rv Q pp. 70-71 R

ff. 35v-36r S

dar ma^crifat-i tāli^c az sā^cāt u tasvīyat al-buyūt

On the knowledge of the ascendant $(t\bar{a}li^c)$ from the hours $(s\bar{a}^c\bar{a}t)$ and the equalisation of the houses (tasvīyat al-buyūt).

[§ III.13] SS त्रयोद्शाध्याय (trayodaśādhyāya): f. - Al Thirteenth chapter ff. 110v-111r Kh Begins with: f. - Pg अथ त्रयोदशाध्याये त्रिविधभाचकानयनम् ।

SS f. - A1 ff. 105v-109v Kh f. - Pg

SS f. – Al ff. 109v-110v Kh f. - Pg

atha trayodaśādhyāye trividhabhācakrānayanam |

(*udaya*) and setting (*asta*) of planets.

Now, in the thirteenth chapter, calculating [the division of the] ecliptic (bhā*cakra*) in three ways.

ZŠJ ff. 87rv D f. 80v H f. 97v L f. 87v O ff. 82v–83r Q pp. 71–72 R f. 36r S	[§ III.14] باب چهاردهم (bāb-i čahārdahum): Fourteenth chapter Begins with: معرفت مواضع ثوابت در طول و عرض عرض معرفت مواضع ثوابت در طول و عرض معرفت ما في المعرفة معرفت مواضع ثوابت در طول و عرض معرفت ما في المعرفة ا	[§ III.14] [चतुर्दशाध्याय (caturdaśādhyāya): Fourteenth chapter] A corresponding chapter title is absent.	SS f. – Al ff. 111rv K f. – Pg
ZŠJ f. 87v D f. 80v H f. 97v L f. 87v O [†] f. 83r Q p. 72 R f. 36r S [†] The text of the chapter is highly corrupted.	[§ III.15] باب پانزدهم Fifteenth chapter Begins with: در بیان تقویم کید dar bayān-i taqvīm-i kayd On the expression of the true longitude (taqvīm) of Kayd.	[§ III.15] पञ्चदशाध्याय (pañcadaśādhyāya): Fifteenth chapter Begins with: अथ पञ्चदशाध्याये कैदानयनम् । atha pañcadaśādhyāye kaidānayanam Now, in the fifteenth chapter, calculating the [true longitude of] Kayd (SAN: kaida, PER: kayd, an inauspicious fictional star).	
	[-] A corresponding colophon is absent.	[§ III.col] [Colophon] [यः श्री शा]हजहाँनृपालमुकुटालङ्कारचूडामणि- स्तस्याज्ञामवलम्ब्य दुस्तरममुं सिद्धान्तसिन्धुं	SS f. – Al f. 111v Kh f. – Pg

दुस्तरममु इति द्विजोत्तमकृपः तरन् नित्यानन्द श्रीदेवदत्तात्मजो मध्यस्पष्टशरोपरागसहितं काण्डं तृतीयं त्वगात् । शुभमस्तु । yaḥ śrī śā hajahāmnṛpālamukuṭālaṅkāracūdāmaņis tasyājñām avalambya dustaram amum siddhāntasindhum taran | nityānanda iti dvijottamaśrīdevadattātmajo krpah madhyaspastaśaroparāgasahitam kāndam trtīyam tv agāt | śubhamastu |

Having obeyed the command of the one who is the jewel in the crown of King Šāh Jahān (śāhijahām, lit. the Emperor of the World), i.e., Āṣaf Ḥān [and] accomplishing that formidable [task of composing the] Siddhāntasindhu [lit. an ocean of doctrinal truths], Nityānanda, [the one worthy of] the mercy of the best Brahmins, the son of Śri Devadatta, has indeed finished the third part accompanied [by discussions on] eclipses (uparāga), planetary latitudes (sara), true planetary longitudes (spaṣṭa), and mean planetary longitudes (madhya). May all things be auspicious.

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ZŠI
            [§ IV]
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            مقاله چهارم (maqāla-yi čahārum):
                                                            A corresponding fourth part is absent
ff. 385r-
            Fourth discourse
                                                             (as witnessed in MS Kh)
  390v D
ff. 404r-
            Begins with
  41or H
            در باقی اعمال نجومی و این مشتمل بر دو
ff. 418r-
  419r L
            dar bāqī-yi a<sup>c</sup>māl-i nujūmī u īn muštamil
f. - O
            bar dū bāb ast
ff. 402r-
  409v Q
            On the remaining astronomical calcu-
pp. 675-
            lations. In two chapters.
  687 R
ff. 408r-
  416r S
             [§ IV.1]
                                                            [-]
ZŠI
            اول (bāb-i avval):
                                                            A corresponding chapter is absent
ff. 385r-
            First chapter
  388v D
ff. 404r-
            Begins with
  407v H
            درانچه تعلق بطالع موالید دارد و آن پنج
f_* - I_*
f. - O
            dar ānči ta<sup>c</sup>alluq ba tāli<sup>c</sup>-i mavālīd dārad u
ff. 402r-
            ān panj fasl ast
  405r Q
pp. 675-
            On things related to the ascendant
  682 R
             (t\bar{a}li^c) at the nativity (mavālīd). In five
ff. 408r-
            sections.
  411v S
             [§ IV.1.i]
ZŠI
            (faṣl-i avval): فصل اول
                                                            A corresponding section is absent
ff. 385r-
            First section
  386r D
ff. 404r-
            Begins with
  405r H
                                             در نمو دارات
f_{\cdot} - I_{\cdot}
            dar namūdārāt
f. - O
ff. 402r-
            On indicators (namūdārāt) [i.e, a tech-
  403r Q
            nique to determine a person's nativity.
pp. 675-
  677 R
ff. 408r-
  409r S
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41or S

ZŠI [§ IV.1.ii] [-](faṣl-i duvum): فصل دوم A corresponding section is absent f. 386r D Second section f. 405r H f. – L Begins with f. - O در معرفت عرض افق حادث هر کوکبی f. 403r Q بحسب موضع او در صورت طالع dar ma^crifat-i ^carż-i ufuq-i ḥādi<u>t</u>-i har pp. 677-678 R kawkabī ba hasb-i mawżi^c-i ū dar sūrat-i ff. 409rv S tālic On the knowledge of the latitude ($^{c}ar\dot{z}$) of the horizon of event (*ufuq-i ḥādit*) of each celestial object according to its place in the figure of the ascendant (sūrat-i tāli^c). [§ IV.1.iii] ZŠI [-1](faṣl-i sīvum): فصل سيوم A corresponding section is absent ff. 386rv D Third section ff. 405rv H f. – L Begins with f. - O در معرفت درجه مصحح و مطالع مصحح ff. 403rv Q p. 678 R f. 409v S dar ma^crifat-i daraja-yi musahhah u matāli^c-i musahhah-i kavākib On the knowledge of the corrected degree (daraja-yi musahhah) and the corrected ascensions (*matāli^c-i musahhah*) of celestial objects. [§ IV.1.iv] ZŠI (faṣl-i čahārum): فصل چهارم A corresponding section is absent ff. 386v-Fourth section 387r D ff. 405v-Begins with 406r H در اعمال مطارح شعاعات و انوار كواكب f. – L و غير آن f. - O dar a^cmāl-i matārih-i šu^cā^cāt u anvār-i ff. 403v-404r Q kavākib u ģayr-i ān pp. 678-679 R ff. 409vOn the calculations of the places of projection of the beams $(\check{s}u^c\bar{a}^c\bar{a}t)$ and lights $(anv\bar{a}r)$ of celestial objects, etc.

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[§ IV.1.v]
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ZŠŢ
            نجم (faṣl-i panjum):
                                                            A corresponding section is absent
ff. 387r-
  388r D
             Fifth section
ff. 406r-
            Begins with
  407r H
                                             در تسییرات
ff. 418rv L
            dar tasyīrāt
ff. 372rv O
ff. 404r-
            On prorogations (tasyīrāt).
  405r Q
pp. 679-
  682 R
ff. 410r-
  411r S
                                                            [-]
             [§ VI.1.vi]
ZŠI
            ششم فصل (faṣl-i šišum):
ff. 388rv D
                                                            A corresponding section is absent
             Sixth section
f. 407r H
ff. 418v-
            Begins with
  419r L
                                       در انتهاآت مواليد
ff. 372v-
            dar intihā<sup>3</sup>āt-i mavālīd
  373r O
f. 405r Q
            On the final term of nativities (inti-
p. 682 R
            hā<sup>3</sup>āt-i mavālīd).
ff. 411rv S
             [§ IV.1.vii]
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ZŠJ
            فصل هفتم (faṣl-i haftum):
f. 388v D
                                                            A corresponding section is absent
            Seventh section
ff. 407rv H
f. 419r L
            Begins with
f. 373r O
                    در فردارات موالید و سالهای ترتیب
f. 405r Q
            dar firdārāt-i mavālīd u sālhā-yi tartīb
p. 682 R
            On the fixed planetary periods of nativ-
f. 411v S
            ities (firdārāt-i mavālīd) and the [plan-
            ets governing the years of disposition
             (sālhā-yi tartīb) [from birth].
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MS D.

[-][§ IV.2] ZŠJ (bāb-i duvum): باب دوم A corresponding section is absent f. 390v D[†] Second chapter ff. 409v-41or H Begins with f. – L در لیالی که تعلق بطالع عالم دارد dar layālī ki ta^calluq ba ṭāli^c-i ^cālam dārad ff. 375r-376v O On the nights which are related to the ff. 409rv Q pp. 686ascendant of the world (tāli^c-i ^cālam). 687 R ff. 415v-416r S [†]The end of the chapter is missing in

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RAMPUR	Fihrist-i nushahā-yi ḥaṭṭī-yi kitāb-hāna-yi riżā, rāmpūr (1996) (Rampur: Rampur Raza Library).
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RORI	Menaria, O. L., et al. (1985) (eds.), <i>Catalogue of Sanskrit and Prakrit Manuscripts</i> (<i>Alwar-Collection</i>) (Rajasthan Puratan Granthmala No. 151; Jodhpur: Rajasthan Oriental Research Institute).

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AŞ	'Amal-i Ṣāliḥ Yazdānī, Ġulām (1923–27) (ed.), 'Amal-i Ṣāliḥ al-mawsūm ba Šah- jahān-nāma of Muḥammad Ṣāliḥ Kambū (Calcutta: The Asiatic Soci- ety of Bengal).
ĀA	$\bar{A}^{\bar{\imath}}$ n-i Akbarī Blochmann, Heinrich (1872–77) (ed.), $\bar{A}^{\bar{\imath}}$ n-i Akbarī of Abū l-Fażl (Calcutta: Baptist Mission Press).
MR	Ma°āṯir-i Raḥīmī Ḥusayn, Hidāyat (1910–31) (ed.), Ma°āṯir-i Raḥīmī of ʿAbd al-Bāqī Nahāvandī (Calcutta: The Asiatic Society).
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Nḫ	Nuzhat al-ḥawāṭir al-I'clām biman fī tārīḥ al-hind min al-a'clām al-musammà bi-Nuzhat al-ḥawāṭir wa-bahjat al-masāmi' wa-l-nawāṭir of 'Abd al-Ḥayy b. Faḥr al-Dīn al-Ḥasanī (1999) (1 ed., Beirut: Dār ibn Ḥazm li-l-Ṭibā'a wa-l-Našr wa-l-Tawzīc').
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APPENDICES

A DISTRIBUTION OF THE CHAPTERS OF THE CANONS

Table A1: Distribution of the chapters of the canon in Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ - $i\,\check{S}\bar{a}h\,Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (ZŠJ) vis-à-vis Nityānanda's $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$ (SS). This distribution is based on the (near-)complete manuscripts of ZŠJ and the SS made available to us for this study; see § 2.

ZŠJ	SS	ZŠJ	SS	ZŠJ	SS
[§ P]	[§ P]	[§ II]	[§ II]	[§ III]	[§ III]
[-]	[§ P.1]	[§ II.1]	[§ II.1]	[§ III.1]	[§ III.1]
[§ P.1]	[§ P.2]	[§ II.2]	[§ II.2]	[§ III.2]	[§ III.2]
[§ P.2]	[§ P.3]	[§ II.3]	[§ II.3]	[§ III.3]	[§ III.3]
[§ P.4]	[§ P.5]	[§ II.4]	[§ II.4]	[§ III.4]	[§ III.4]
[§ ID]	[§ ID]	[§ II.5]	[§ II.5]	[§ III.5]	[§ III.5]
[§ ID.1]	[§ ID.1]	[§ II.6]	[§ II.6]	[§ III.6]	[§ III.6]
[§ ID.2]	[§ ID.2]	[§ II.7]	[§ II.7]	[§ III.7]	[§ III. ₇]
[§ ID.3]	[§ ID.3]	[§ II.8]	[§ II.8]	[§ III.8]	[§ III.8]
[§ ID.4]	[§ ID.4]	[§ II.9]	[§ II.9]	[§ III.9]	[§ III.9]
[§ ID.5]	[§ ID.5]	[§ II.10]	[§ II.10]	[§ III.10]	[§ III.10]
[§ I]	[§ I]	[§ II.11]	[§ II.11]	[§ III.11]	[§ III.11]
[§ I.1]	[§ I.1]	[§ II.12]	[§ II.12]	[§ III.12]	[§ III.12]
[§ I.2]	[§ I.2]	[§ II.13]	[§ II.13]	[§ III.13]	[§ III.13]
[§ I.3]	[§ I.3]	[§ II.14]	[§ II.14]	[§ III.14]	[§ III.14]
[§ I.4]	[§ I.4]	[§ II.15]	[§ II.15]	[§ III.15]	[§ III.14]
[§ I.5]	[§ I.5]	[§ II.16]	[§ II.16]	[-]	[§ III.col]
[§ I.6]	[§ I.6]	[§ II.17]	[§ II.17]	[§ IV]	[-]
[§ I.7]	[-]	[§ II.18]	[§ II.18]	[§ IV.1]	[-]
[§ I.8]	[§ I.7]	[§ II.19]	[§ II.19]	with	
[§ I.9]	[-]	[§ II.20]	[§ II.20]	[§ IV.1.i]-	[-]-[-]
[§ I.10]	[-]	[§ II.21]	[§ II.21]	[§ IV.1.vii]	[_]_[_]
[-]	[§ I.col]	[§ II.22]	[§ II.22]	[§ IV.2]	[-]
		[-]	[§ II.col]		

ff. 7v-8r Kh

ff. 7rv Pg

B LIST OF EARLIER ZĪJES

In the First part of the Introduction of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (i.e., the qism-i avval [§ ID.1] from the muqaddama), and correspondingly in the First part of the Introduction of the $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$ (i.e., the $prathamaprak\bar{a}ra$ [§ ID.1] from the granthamukha), we find a list of Islamicate $z\bar{\imath}j$ es from earlier times. These are described below, and whenever possible, apposite modern references are appended in footnotes. It is worth noting that Nityānanda expressly states in Sanskrit that the basis of both the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $sanjar\bar{\imath}$ ($J\bar{\imath}ca$ - $samjar\bar{\imath}$) and $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $sanjar\bar{\imath}$ ($J\bar{\imath}ca$ - $samjar\bar{\imath}$) is the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $sanjar\bar{\imath}$ ($J\bar{\imath}ca$ - $samjar\bar{\imath}$), whereas, Mullā Farīd's Persian suggests that only the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $sanjar\bar{\imath}$ is based on the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $sanjar\bar{\imath}$ is $sanjar\bar{\imath}$.

ZŠJ f. 3r D ff. 3rv H f. 4r L f. 6v O f. – Q p. 6 R

f. 3r S

Ten $z\bar{i}$ jes based $(mabn\bar{i})$ on the observations $(ra,adh\bar{a})$ of $[al-]Batt\bar{a}n\bar{i}$

 $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $j\bar{a}mi^{c1}$ and $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $b\bar{a}li\dot{g}^2$ of Kūšyār

*Zīj-i mufrad*³ of Muḥammad Ayyūb Tabarī

Zīj-i kāmil⁴ of Abū Rašīd Dānišī

*Zīj-i sālār*⁵ of Ḥusām Sālār

Zīj-i muģnī,⁶ Zīj-i muḥkam,⁷ Zīj-i mustavī,⁸ and Zīj-i zāhidī⁹ of 'Alī b. 'Abd al-Karīm Širvānī Bakūhī

Zīj-i fāḥir¹0 of ʿAlī Mustawfī

Ten jīcas derived (jāta) from the SS observations (rasada) of Battānī f. 6v Al

Jīca-jāme and Jīca-bāligam of Gośiyāra

Jīca-mapharada of Mahammada Ayuba Tabarī

Jīca-kāmīla of Abū Rasīda Dānaśī

Jīca-salāra of Hisāma Salāra

Jīca-mugamnī, Jīca-muhakama, Jīca-mastauphī and Jīca-jāhadī of Alī, son of Abdala Karīma Śeravānī Bākohī

Jīca-phākhaja of Alī Maustauphī

¹ See Kennedy (1956:no. 9 on p. 125) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/147173.

² See Kennedy (1956: no. 7 on p. 125).

³ See Kennedy (1956: no. 65 on p. 134) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/481724.

⁴ See Kennedy (1956: no. 49 on p. 132).

⁵ Also known as $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $\bar{s}\bar{a}h\bar{\imath};$ see Kennedy (1956: no. 32 on p. 130) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/137424.

⁶ See Kennedy (1956: no. 64 on p. 134) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/99703.

⁷ See Kennedy (1956:no. 53 on p. 132) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/66489.

⁸ See Kennedy (1956: no. 58 on p. 133) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/73738.

⁹ Also known as *al-Zīj al-zāhir* of Farīd al-Dīn Abū l-Ḥasan ʿAlī b. ʿAbd al-Karīm al-Širwānī al-Fahhād; see Kennedy (1956: no. 23 on p. 128) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/59095.

¹⁰ Most probably, the *al-Zīj al-Fāḥir* of Abū l-Ḥasan ʿAlī b. Aḥmad al-Nasawī; see Kennedy (1956:no. 44 on p. 131) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/122261.

One $z\bar{i}j$ of unspecified basis

Zīj-i sanjarī¹¹ of ^cAbd al-Rahmān Hāzinī

One zij based $(mabn\bar{i})$ on the Zīj-i šīrvān-šāhī¹²

 $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i ^c $al\bar{a}$ $\bar{\imath}^{13}$ [of unnamed authorship]

Other zijes

Zīj-i ^cumda-yi īlhānī¹⁴

Zīj-i hāqānī takmīl-i zīj-i īlhānī¹⁵ of Jīca-khākānī-takamīla-jīca-yīlakhānī Mawlānā Jamšīd Kāšī

Zīj-i sultānī¹⁶ of Imām Muhammad b. Ḥwāja ^cAlī Vābkanavī

Zīj of Abū l-Vafā Būzjānī¹⁷

Zīj of Abū Ḥāmid Ansārī

Zīj of Abū l-Faraj Šīrāzī

Zīj of Abū l-Hasan Tūsī¹⁸

Two jīcas derived (jāta) from the Iīca-śeravāmsāhī

Jīca-samjarī of Amāma Abdala Rahamā Khājanī

Ţīca-ālāyī [of unnamed authorship]

Other jicas

Jīca of Ali-śāha Khvārajamī, resembling the great treatise famously called *līca*yīlakhānī [of Naṣīr al-Dīn al-Ṭūsī]

of Maulānā Jamaśeda Kāśī

Jīca-sulatānī of Amāma Mahammada, son of Khvāja Alī Yaknavī

Ţīca-abala-vaphā-būjajānī Jīca-abū-hāmida-amsārī Jīca-abū-khala-pharaja-śīrājī

Iīca-abūla-hasan-tūsī

17 See Kennedy (1956: no. 73 on p. 134).

https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/ index.php/text/154844.

¹¹ See Kennedy (1956: no. 27 on p. 129) https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg. and de/text/150288.

¹² See Kennedy (1956: no. 30 on pg. 129-30).

¹³ Most probably, the $Z\bar{\imath}j-i$ $\mathcal{A}l\bar{a}\bar{\imath}\bar{\imath}$ of al-Ḥasan b. Muḥammad b. al-Ḥusayn Nizām al-Dīn al-A^craj al-Nīsābūrī; see Kennedy (1956: no. 42 on p. 131) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/ text/152130.

¹⁴ See Kennedy (1956: no. 32 on p. 130), and also see http://isamveri.org/ pdfdkm/02/DKM021059.pdf (last accessed: 20th December 2023) for collated biblio-

graphic references on the works of Alī-šāh Hwārazmī [al-Buhārī].

¹⁵ See Kennedy (1956: no. 20 on pp. 127-28) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin. mpg.de/text/74283.

¹⁶ Also known as al-Zīj al-muḥaqqaq al-sulțānī calá ușūl al-rașad al-Īlhānī; see Kennedy (1956: no. 35 on p. 130) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/ text/153227.

¹⁸ Most probably, the Zīj-i Īlḫānī of Abū Jacfar Naṣīr al-Dīn Muḥammad b. Muḥammad b. al-Ḥasan al-Ṭūsī; see Kennedy (1956: no. 6 on p. 125) and

Zīj-i kāfī¹⁹

[of unnamed authorship]

Zīj-i sikandarī²⁰

[of unnamed authorship]

Zīj-i advār akvār²¹

[of unnamed authorship]

Zīj-i ašrafī²²

[of unnamed authorship]

Zīj-i raḥīmī²³

[of unnamed authorship]

Zīj-i mazharī²⁴

[of unnamed authorship]

Zīj-i kāšifī²⁵

[of unnamed authorship]

Zīj-i šāţirī²⁶

[of unnamed authorship]

Iīca-kāphī

[of unnamed authorship]

Iīca-sikandarī

[of unnamed authorship]

Jīca-adavāra-akavāra

[of unnamed authorship]

Jīca-aśaraphī

[of unnamed authorship]

Jīca-rahīmī

[of unnamed authorship]

Jīca-mujaharī

[of unnamed authorship]

Jīca-kāśaphī

[of unnamed authorship]

Jīca-śātarī

[of unnamed authorship]

¹⁹ Most probably, the *al-Zīj al-kāfī* of ^cUṭārid b. Muḥammad al-Ḥāsib; see Kennedy (1956: no. 103 on p. 136) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/index.php/text/130305.

²⁰ Speculatively, the *Lubāb-i Iskandarī* (alias: *Muḥṭaṣar dar ʿilm-i hayʾat*) of Ġiyāṭ al-Dīn Jamšīd b. Masʿūd b. Maḥmūd al-Kāšī; see https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/node/2672949.

²¹ Most probably, the *Adwār al-anwār madá l-duhūr wa-l-akwār* of Muḥyī al-Milla wa-l-Dīn Yaḥyá b. Abī l-Šukr al-Maġribī al-Andalusī; see Kennedy (1956: no. 108 on p. 137) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/41182.

²² Most probably, the Zīj-i Ašrafī of Muḥammad b. Abī 'Abd Allāh Sanjar al-Kāmilī; see Kennedy (1956:no. 4 on p. 124) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/79219.

²³ Most probably, the *Zīj-i Raḥīmī* of Mullā Farīd al-Dīn Mas^cūd Ḥāfīz Ibrāhīm Dihlavī; see § 1.2.1.

²⁴ Most probably, the *Zīj-i Mazharī* of Mazhar al-Dīn Muḥammad Qārī b. Bahā³ al-Dīn 'Alī; see Ansari (2015: no. 3.8 on p. 591–93) for a brief description of the *Zīj-i mazharī*.

²⁵ Speculatively, the Kašf-i ḥaqāʾiq-i Zīj-i Īlḥānī (alias: Kašf al-ḥaqāʾiq Zīj-i Īlḥānī) of al-Ḥasan b. Muḥammad b. al-Ḥusayn Niẓām al-Dīn al-Aʿraj al-Nīsābūrī; see https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/101627.

²⁶ Most probably, the al-Zīj al-jadīd of ʿAlāʾ al-Dīn Abū l-Ḥasan ʿAlī b. Ibrāhīm al-Anṣārī (commonly known as Ibn al-Šāṭir); see, Kennedy (1956:no. 11 on p. 125) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/index.php/text/118322.

Zīj-i quṭbī²⁷ [of unnamed authorship]

Jīca-kutabī [of unnamed authorship]

²⁷ Most probably, the *Zīj-i sulṭānī* of Quṭb al-Dīn Maḥmūd b. Mas^cūd b. Muṣliḥ al-Šīrāzī; see Kennedy (1956: no. 25 on

p. 129) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.
mpg.de/text/141286.

f. 7v Pg

C LIST OF EARLIER FACILITATORY TABLES (PER: TASHĪL, SAN: SĀRANĪ)

In the First part of the Introduction of the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (i.e., the qism-i avval [§ ID.1] from the muqaddama), and correspondingly in the First part of the Introduction of the $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$ (i.e., the $prathamaprak\bar{a}ra$ [§ ID.1] from the granthamukha), we find the following five Islamicate simplification tables (PER: $tash\bar{\imath}l$, SAN: $s\bar{a}ran\bar{\imath}i$) from earlier times. These are described below, and when possible, apposite modern references are appended in footnotes. We note that both the Persian original and its Sanskrit translation state that there are several other such tables based on ancient and recent observations (PER: raṣad, SAN: rasada) at the end of this short list.

ZŠJ
f. 3r D
f. 3v H
f. 4r L
f. 6v O
f. – Q
f. 6 R
f. 3v S

Tashīl of the Moon and Mercury by Mullā ^cImād, ¹ based ($mabn\bar{i}$) on the $Z\bar{i}j$ -i $G\bar{u}rg\bar{a}n\bar{i}$ [i.e., the $Z\bar{i}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{i}g$]

Tashīl of the five planets by ^cUmar Ḥayyām²

Two *tashīls* of the Moon known as *Ḥasanča* [of unnamed authorship]

Tashīl of the seven planets by Ḥusayn b. Mūsà Hurmuzī³

Tashīl of the Sun [of anonymous authorship]

 $S\bar{a}ran\bar{\iota}$ of the Moon and Mercury by SS Mullā Imāda, in agreement (anumata) ff. 6v-7r Al with the $J\bar{\iota}ca$ -koragān $\bar{\iota}$ ff. 8rv Kh

Five *sāraṇīs* of the five planets beginning with Mars by Umara Khayāma

Two sāraṇīs of the Moon called *Hasaṇ-caya* [of unnamed authorship]

Sāraṇī of the seven planets by Husaina, son of Mūse Huramajī

Sāraṇī of the Sun [of anonymous authorship]

¹ Identified as the *Kitāb Jadwal tashīl al-qamar wa-jadwal tashīl ^cuṭārid* of ^cImād al-Dīn al-Buḥārī (fl. fifteenth century); see Şen and Fleischer (2019: no. [23] on p. 784). 2 Most probably, part of the *al-Zīj Malik-šāhī* of Ġiyāṭ al-Dīn Abū l-Faṭḥ ^cUmar b. Ibrāhīm al-Ḥayyāmī al-Nīšāpūrī ^cUmar Ḥayyām; see Kennedy (1956: no. 22 on

p. 128) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/97813.

³ Most probably, part of the Zīj-i Šastgah of Ḥusayn b. Mūsá al-Hurmuzdī al-Ḥāsib; see Kennedy (1956:no. 33 on p. 130) and https://ismi.mpiwg-berlin.mpg.de/text/70224.

ZŠI

f. 3r D

f. 3v H

f. 4r L

f. 6v O

f. – O

f. - R

ff. 3rv S

D ON THE ETYMOLOGY OF THE WORD ZĪJ

In the First part of the Introduction of Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (i.e., the qism-i avval [§ ID.1] from the muqaddama), and correspondingly in the First part of the Introduction of Nityānanda's $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$ (i.e., the $prathamaprak\bar{a}ra$ [§ ID.1] from the granthamukha), we find their discussion on the etymology of the word $z\bar{\imath}j$. These are presented below with the original text and corresponding English translations in parallel columns.

In the words of Mulla Farid

زیج معرب زیگ است بکاف فارسی پس بجیم عربی باشد و آنکه او را بجیم فارسی میخوانند غلط عامه است و زیگ بپارسی نام آن ریسمانها است که نقشبندان بآنها پارچهها نقش میبندند و آن قانون است جامهباف را در معرفت بافتن پارچههای منقش همچنانکه زیج قانونی است منجم را در شناختن نقوش و اوضاع فلکی و خطوط جداول زیج در طول و عرض در هم کشیده که کیفیت نقوش ثیاب ازان پیدا شود و راصد درین صنعت بمنزله نقشبند است

zīj mu arrab-i zīg ast ba kāf-i fārsī pas zīj ba jīm-i arabī bāšad u ānki ū rā ba jīm-i fārsī mīḥwānand ģalaṭ-i āmma ast u zīg ba pārsī nām-i ān rīsmānhā ast ki naqš-bandān ba ānhā bar pārčahā naqš mībandand u ān qānūn ast jāma-bāf rā dar ma rifat-i bāftan-i pārčahā-yi munaqqaš hamčunānki zīj qānūnī ast munajjim rā dar šināḥtan-i nuqūš u awżā -i falakī u ḥuṭūṭ-i jadāvil-i zīj dar ṭūl u arz dar ham kašīda ki kayfīyat-i nuqūš-i tiyāb az ān paydā šavad

In the words of Nityānanda

फारसीजीग**शब्दः** प्रसिद्धः प्रथमं इति तस्यापभ्रंशेन गकारस्याभावात गकारस्थानजकारमेव 1 तद्देशवासिनः पठन्ति । तस्मादेतस्य नाम जीज इति यवनलिपौ जकारचकारयोरभेदाज्जीचशब्दो प्रसिद्धो जातो वास्तवेनाशदृशद्धं जीज इति फारसीदेशे तन्तवायानां वस्त्रविशेषचित्ररचनायां जीग इति नाम्यो रज्जवो ताभिस्तन्तुवायाश्चित्रकाश्चित्राणि भवन्ति रचयन्ति । तन्तुवायचित्रकानां वस्त्रचिन्तनारम्भे चित्रज्ञानार्थं ता रज्जव उपकरणानि भवन्ति । यथा ज्योतिर्विदां चित्ररूपगोलसंस्थाज्ञानार्थं जीच इति । पुनर्यभ्यः कोष्ठकेभ्यो ग्रहभुक्तिपरिमाणं प्रकटं भवति तहैर्घ्यायामरेखा एताहशा भवन्ति यथा जीगाख्यरज्जव आयामविस्तारगता भवन्ति । अत्र रसदकर्ता चैतादृशो यादृग्वस्त्रचित्रकः ।

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f. 6v Al

prathamam phārasījīgaśabdah prasiddhah tasyāpabhramśena ārabadeśe jīja ārabadeśe gakārasyābhāvāt | gakārasthānajakāram eva taddeśavāsinah pathanti | tasmād etasya nāma jīja iti yavanalipau jakāracakārayor abhedāj iīcaśabdo rūdhitah prasiddho jāto vāstavenāśuddham śuddham jīja iti phārasīdeśe tantuvāyānām vastraviśesacitraracanāyām jīga iti nāmnyo rajjavo bhavanti | tābhis tantuvāyāś

kanawī (more commonly, Šams al-Munajjim) written in Persian, c. 1320.

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¹ Originally, the etymology of the word $z\bar{\imath}\bar{\jmath}$ derives from the $Z\bar{\imath}\bar{\jmath}$ -i muhaqqaq-i $sultan\bar{\imath}$ of Muhammad ibn 'Alī al-Munajjim al-Wāb-

u rāṣid dar īn ṣan^cat ba manzila-yi naqšband ast

 $Z\bar{i}j$ is the Arabicization of $z\bar{i}g$, written with a Persian $k\bar{a}f$. It becomes $z\bar{i}j$ with an Arabic jīm. It is a common mistake to pronounce it with a Persian *jīm*. In Persian *zīg* is the name given to the strings (rīsmān) with which embroiderers sew pictures on clothes. This is for the weaver the basic principle in the knowledge of weaving embroidered clothes in exactly the same manner as the $z\bar{i}j$ is for the astronomer the basic principle in his knowledge of the celestial pictures and positions. Having drawn together both in length and breadth the lines of the tables in the $z\bar{i}j$ from which are produced the details of the pictures on the clothes. In this craft, the observer is in the position of the embroiderer.

citrakāś citrāni racayanti | tantuvāyacitrakānām vastracintanārambhe citrajñānārtham tā rajjava upakaranāni bhavanti | yathā jyotirvidām citrarūpagolasamsthājñānārtham jīca iti | punar yebhyah kosthakebhyo grahabhuktiparimāṇam prakatam bhavati tad dairghyāyāmarekhā etādrśā yathā jīgākhyarajjava āyāmavistāragatā bhavanti | atra rasadakartā ca itādrśo yādrg vastracitrakah |

Firstly, the Persian word $j\bar{i}ga$ (PER: $z\bar{i}g$) that is famous in the Arab world, by its corruption, becomes $j\bar{i}ja$ (ARA: $z\bar{i}j$) due to the absence of the letter ga (i.e., PER: $g\bar{a}f$) in the Arab world. Indeed, the residents of those countries [i.e., Arab native speakers] read the letter ja (i.e., ARA: $j\bar{\imath}m$) in place of the letter ga. [And] from that, the name jīja of this [word $z\bar{\eta}$] becomes the word jīca in common usage due to absence of distinction between the letter *ja* and the letter *ca* in the Muslim [Arabic] script (yavana-lipi). The famous [word] that, although genuinely inaccurate, was [though as] correct [and] called jīja; in the Persian world, the string (*rajju*) in the creation of special figures on cloth by the weavers are [called] jīga by name. With those [strings], weavers [like] painters create figures. When beginning to think about [the design on] the cloth, these strings become instruments of the weavers and painters for the sake of understanding the figure just as jīca [becomes the instrument] of the astronomers for the sake of understanding the arrangement of [the movement of] the celestial sphere in the form of figures. Moreover,

all those tables from which the measure of the daily motion of the planets becomes evident, the lines constituting their length and breadth are thus formed, just as the strings called *jiga* outline the length and breadth [of the woven figures]. And here, the observers (*rasada-kartṛ*, lit. makers of *rasada* 'observations') are in a way similar to the painters of cloth.

ON THE UTILITY OF ALMANACS (TAQVĪM) AND ZĪJES, AND OF OBSERVATIONS (RASAD)

In the First part of the Introduction of Mullā Farīd's Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī (i.e., the qism-i avval [§ ID.1] from the muqaddama), and correspondingly in the First part of the Introduction of Nityānanda's *Siddhāntasindhu* (i.e., the *prathamaprakāra* [§ ID.1] from the granthamukha), we find their statements on the utility (PER: fāyida 'advantage', san: prayojana 'use') of almanacs (PER: taqvīm, san: takavīma) and zījes (SAN: jīca), and of observations (PER: raṣad, SAN: raṣada). These are presented below with the original text and corresponding English translations in parallel columns.

ZŠĮ f. 3v D f. 3v H f. 4r L ff. 6v-7r O f. – R

f. 3v S

(taqvīm)

و فایده تقویم آن است که اختیارات جزوی روزهای سال و احوال گردش روزگار و صلح بادشاهان با یکدیگر و حرب و ایمنی و تندرستی و رنجوری مردمان و ارزانی و گرانی نرخها و بارندگی و خشکی سال معلوم گر دد

u fāyida-yi taqvīm ān ast ki iḫtiyārāt-i juzvī-yi rūzhā-yi sāl u ahvāl-i gardiš-i rūzgār u sulh-i bādšāhān bā yak-dīgar u harb u īmnà u tan-durustī u ranjvarī-yi mardumān u arzānī u garānī-yi nirhhā u bārandagī u huškī-yi sāl ma^clūm gardad

An almanac (*taqvīm*) is useful in knowing how to choose the parts of the day in the year [on which to perform successful actions], and to know the details of the motions of fortune, peace between emperors, war, security, the health and infirmity of men, the cheapness and expensiveness of commodities, [and] the rain and drought periods in the year.

On the advantage of an almanac On the use of an almanac (takavīma) SS

f. 7r Al f. 8v Kh

f. 8r Pg

प्रतिदिनमृहुर्तादिविचारः समयविचारो यथाराज्ञा-मस्मिन्वर्षे परस्परं संधिर्युद्धं वा सशङ्कृत्वं निःशङ्कृत्वं वा सातुज्यं नैतुज्यं वा लोकानां च काण्डस्य समर्घत्वं

महार्घत्वं वा वर्षणमवर्षणं वेत्यादि तकवीमस्य प्रयोजनम् ।

pratidinamuhūrtādivicārah samayavicāro yathārājñām asmin varse parasparam samdhir yuddham υā saśańkatvam nihśankatvam vā sātujyam naitujyam vā lokānām ca kāndasya samarghatvam mahārghatvam vā varşanam avarşanam vetyādi takavīmasya prayojanam |

The use of an almanac (takavīma) is, among other things, for investigating daily [time divisions of] muhūrta etc. [and] for investigating opportune times, just as [the moments] in this year [when there could be] a mutual peace treaty between kings or war, a state of doubt or certainty, vitality or languor among men, the cheapness or expensiveness of a commodity, and [the chance of] rain or drought.

ZŠJ f. 3v D f. 3v H f. 4r L ff. 6v-7r O f. - Q f. - R f. 3v S

On the advantage of a zīj

و از جمله فواید زیج آنکه هر فرزندی که در وجود آید طالع مولود و تحویل وی ازانجا استخراج کنند تا احوال او از درازی عمر و کوتاهی و نیکبختی و بدبختی و تندرستی و بیماری و توانگری و درویشی و رنج و راحت او دانسته شود

u az jumla-yi favāyid-i zīj ānki har farzandī ki dar vujūd āyad ṭāli^c-i mawlūd u taḥvīl-i vay az ānjā istiḥrāj kunand tā aḥvāl-i ū az darāzī-yi ^cumr u kūtāhī u nīk-baḥtī u badbaḥtī u tan-durustī u bīmārī u tavāngarī u darvīšī u ranj u rāḥat-i ū dānista šavad

Amongst the advantages in $z\bar{i}$ jes, is the derivation from it of the Ascendant at birth and of annual revolution for every child who is born so that his circumstances may be known, such as length and shortness of life, good or bad fortune, health and illness, wealth, poverty, suffering, tranquillity.

ZŠJ f. 3v D f. 3v H f. 4r L ff. 6v-7r O f. - Q f. - R f. 3v S

On the advantage of observations (raṣad)

فایده رصد آنکه اگر در مواضع کواکب بمرور ایام خللی ظاهر شود آنرا صاحب رصد راست کند تا درین احکام که گفته شد خطا کمتر واقع شود چه اگر یکدرجه در تقویم کوکبی خطا باشد یکسال در احکام تسییرات تفاوت افتد و اگر یکدقیقه خطا باشد شش روز این است

fāyida-yi raṣad ānki agar dar mavāżi^c-i kavākib ba murūr-i ayyām ḥalalī zāhir šavad ān rā ṣāḥib-i raṣad rāst kunad tā dar īn aḥkām ki gufta šud ḥaṭā kamtar vāqi^c šavad či agar yak-daraja dar taqvīm-i kawkabī ḥaṭā bāšad yak-sāl dar aḥkām-i tasyīrāt

On the use of a $z\bar{i}j$ ($j\bar{i}ca$)

अथ यस्य बालस्य जन्मसमयो ज्ञायते तस्य ^{f. 7r Al} जन्मलग्नं यतो गण्यते वर्षलग्नादिकमायुर्दायादिकं ^{f. 8v Kr} शुभाशुभफलं ज्ञायत इत्यादि जीचस्य प्रयोजनम् ।

atha yasya bālasya janmasamayo jñāyate tasya janmalagnam yato gaṇyate varṣalagnādikam āyurdāyādikam śubhā-śubhaphalaṃ jñāyata ityādi jīcasya prayojanam |

Now, the use of a $z\bar{i}j$ ($j\bar{i}ca$) is, among other things, to calculate for a child whose time of birth is known, the natal Ascendant, the Ascendant of annual revolution etc. to predict the length of [their] life from the aspect of the stars etc. [and] to determine the auspicious and inauspicious [astrological] effects.

On the use of observations (rasada)

अथ कियाद्भिर्दिनैर्गतैर्प्रहेषु किंचिदन्तरं यदि पतित तदा रसदकर्ता सम्यक्तदन्तरं जानाति साधयति च ततः सर्वाण्युक्तानि फलानि मिलन्ति । यद्यन्तरमंशप्रमाणं यहे चलित तदा तसीरातसंशे वर्षमेकं चलित यदि कलैका चलित तदा षड्डिनानि चलन्तीत्यादि रसदस्य प्रयोजनम् ।

atha kiyādbhir dinair gatair graheṣu kiṃcid antaraṃ yadi patati tadā rasadakartā samyak tadantaraṃ jānāti sādhayati ca tataḥ sarvāṇy uktāni phalāni milanti | yady antaram aṃśapramāṇaṃ grahe calati tadā tasīrātasaṃjñe varṣam ekaṃ calati yadi

SS f. 7r Al

f. 8v Kh

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tafāvut uftad u agar yak-daqīqa ḫaṭā bāšad šiš rūz ast

The advantage of observation (raṣad) is that if a defect appears in the positions of planets with the passing of days, the observer (ṣāḥib-i raṣad) will rectify it so that in making prognostications, less errors will arise. Indeed if one degree is wrong in the table of positions of the planets, there is will be a one-year discrepancy in the astrological judgement $(aḥk\bar{a}m)$ of the prorogations $(tasy\bar{i}r\bar{a}t)$, and if one minute is wrong, it will be a six-day [difference].

kalaikā calati tadā ṣaḍdināni calantītyādi rasadasya prayojanam |

Now, the use of observations (*rasada*) is, among other things, that if there occurs a little difference in the [attested and observed positions of the] planets with some amount of elapsed days, then an observer (rasadakartr) knows and corrects that difference completely [and] thereupon, all declared results concur. If an amount of [one] degrees of arc difference deviates in the [attested and observed positions of the] planet [in the tables], then one year deviates in [what is called] tasīrata (PER: tasyīrāt 'prorogations') by name; if [the amount of difference of] one minute of arc deviates, then six days deviate.

F ON VARIOUS CALENDRICAL TERMS IN DIFFERENT TRADITIONS

In the Fifth part of the Introduction of Mullā Farīd's Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī (i.e., the qism-i panjum [§ ID.5] from the muqaddama), and correspondingly in the Fifth part of the Introduction of Nityānanda's Siddhāntasindhu (i.e., the pañcamaprakāra [§ ID.5] from the granthamukha), we find descriptions of calendrical terms according to the different traditions of Arabic (PER: arabī, SAN: ārabīya), Byzantine Roman (PER: rūm, SAN: romaka), Chinese (PER: haṭā, SAN: khitā/khitāya), Greek (PER: yūnān, SAN: yūnāna), Hindu (PER: hind, SAN: hindu), Persian (PER: fārs, SAN: phārasa), Turkic (PER: turkī, SAN: turakī), Uyghur (PER: uyģur, SAN: yagūra), and more generally, Muslim (PER: *ahl-i šar^c* 'people of Islamic law', SAN: *yavana*) astronomers. These are presented below as enumerated lists in parallel columns.

scribes:

- In his Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī, Mullā Farīd de- In his Siddhāntasindhu, Nityānanda describes:
 - 1. the tropical solar year (sāl-i $\bar{a}ft\bar{a}b\bar{i}$) with respect to the vernal equinox (o° Aries or avval-i hamal, lit. 'beginning of Aries');
 - 2. the lunar year $(s\bar{a}l$ -i $qamar\bar{i})$ of twelve synodic lunar months $(m\bar{a}h);$
 - 3. the sidereal solar month (māh-i *šamsī*) with respect to the ingress of the Sun into a zodiacal sign (i.e., the beginning of the sayr-i āftāb dar yak burj 'course of the Sun in a zodiacal sign');
 - 4. the nychthemeron (šabāna-rūz), according to the Persian and Greek astronomers, measured from the preceding midday $(n\bar{\imath}m-i\ r\bar{\imath}z)$ to the succeeding midday;
 - 5. the nychthemeron, according to the Chinese, Uyghur and Hindu astronomers, measured from the

- 1. the tropical solar year (sauraabda) with respect to the vernal equinox (o° Aries or meśa-mukha, lit. 'beginning of Aries');
- 2. the lunar year (cāndra-varṣa) of twelve synodic lunar months (candra-māsa);
- 3. the sidereal solar month (sauramāsa) with respect to the ingress of the Sun into a zodiacal sign (i.e., the beginning of the samkrānti 'zodiacal transit of the Sun');
- 4. the nychthemeron (ahorātra), according to the astronomers born in the Persian lands who were influenced by [the astronomers in] the Greek lands, measured from the preceding midday (dyumadhyāhna) to the succeeding midday;
- 5. the nychthemeron (dyuniśa), according to the astronomers of the Chinese and Hindu mainlands, measured from the pre-

- preceding midnight (nīm-i šab) to the succeeding midnight;
- 6. the nychthemeron, according to the Arabs and to the people of the Law [astronomers], measured from the preceding evening (avval-išab) to the succeeding evening;
- the nychthemeron, according to other peoples, measured from the preceding sunrise (avval-i rūz) to the succeeding sunrise;
- 8. the mean nychthemeron (šabānarūz-i vasaṭī), equal to one revolution of the highest celestial sphere (falak-i aczam) with the mean motion of the Sun, which, according to the observations made in Samarqand, is equal to o°59'8"19""37""48""";
- 9. the length of day $(r\bar{u}z)$ for the Persian and Byzantine Roman astronomers, from the rising of the centre of [the disc of] the Sun $(!ul\bar{u}^c-i markaz-i šams)$ till its setting $(!gur\bar{u}b)$;
- 10. the length of day ($r\bar{u}z$) for people who follow Islamic law as measured from the rising of the true dawn ($tul\bar{u}^c$ -i subh-i sadiq) until the setting of the entire body of the Sun ($tul\bar{u}^c$ -tullet tullet tullet tullet tullet sams); [with] the length of a night (<math>tullet tullet - ceding midnight (*dyu-rātrārdha*) to the succeeding midnight (*dyu-rātrimadhya*);
- 6. the nychthemeron (*dyurātra*), according to the Arabic [astronomers] who are famous among the Muslims, measured from the preceding evening (*sāya*) to the succeeding evening, always according to the teachings of their own religion;
- 7. the nychthemeron, according to those born in other Hindu regions, measured from the preceding sunrise (*arka-udaya*) to the succeeding sunrise;
- 8. the mean nychthemeron (madhya-dyuniśa), according to the best of the sages and the best of Muslims, as the revolution of time (kālacakra) of 4 sidereal seconds (prāṇa) [approximately] equal to the arcminutes (lipta) of daily mean motion of the Sun;
- 9. the length of day and night (dinarātri) for the Persian and Byzantine Roman astronomers, and those born in the land of the Hindus, from the rising of the centre of the disc of the Sun (dineśa-bimbārdha-samudgama) till its setting (asta) reciprocally;
- 10. the length of day ($v\bar{a}sara$) for those coming from the Arab lands and those following the religion of the greater Muslim [regions] as measured from dawn ($an\bar{u}ru$) to the time of the setting of the disc of the Sun ($khar\bar{a}m\dot{s}ubimba-asta-k\bar{a}la$), with the other part being entirely night ($r\bar{a}tri$);

- 11. the length of equal hours $(s\bar{a}^c\bar{a}t-i)$ $mustav\bar{i}ya$ u $mu^ctadila$) either mean $(vasat\bar{i})$ or true $(haq\bar{i}q\bar{i})$ as the twenty-fourth parts of the mean or exact nychthemeron $(\check{s}ab\bar{a}nr\bar{u}z-i)$ $vasat\bar{i}u$ $haq\bar{i}q\bar{i}$;
- 12. the twelve unequal hours $(s\bar{a}^c\bar{a}t-imu^cvajja\ u\ zam\bar{a}n\bar{\imath})$ dividing equally either the day or the night;
- 13. the twelve divisions of the whole nychthemeron, known as $\check{ca}\dot{g}$, according Chinese and Uyghur astronomers;¹
- 14. the period of an eighth part of a $\check{c}\bar{a}\dot{g}$ called kih and the definition of its smaller unit fank (CHIN: $f\bar{e}n$), and the names of the different $\check{c}\bar{a}\dot{g}$ following their Chinese and Uyghur nomenclature; and
- 15. on the commencement of the nychthemeron from the first kih of the first $\tilde{c}a\dot{g}$.

- 11. the length of equal hours (tulyahorā) for those born in Persia and Byzantine Rome as the twentyfourth part of some precise or imprecise nychthemeron (sphuṭaasphuṭa-dyuniśa);
- 12. the twelve unequal hours (atulyahorā) of the measures of the day and the night (vāsara-rātrimiti) according to the best of the Muslims;
- 13. the twelve equal divisions of two hours (*horikā*) each of the length of the nychthemeron, famously known as *cāga* (TUR: *čāġ*), according to wise men from the Sino-Uyghur [region];
- 14. the period of an eighth part of a *cāga* called *kiha* (TUR: *kih*) and the definition of its smaller unit *phaṇṇga* (CHIN: *fēn*), and the names of the different *cāga* following their Chinese and Turkic nomenclature; and
- 15. on the commencement of the nychthemeron from the middle of the first $c\bar{a}ga$.

Turkic word synonymous with the Chinese word shi) consisting of right kih (CHIN: $k\grave{e}$).

¹ See (Kennedy 1964) for discussions on the Chinese-Uyghur calendars in Islamicate $z\bar{i}j$ es; in particular, for definitions of $\check{c}\bar{a}\dot{g}$ (a

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ff. 12rv Kh

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ON THE DESCRIPTION OF THE ERA OF ŠĀH JAHĀN

In the First chapter of the First discourse of Mullā Farīd's Zīj-i Śāh Jahānī (i.e., the $b\bar{a}b$ -i avval [§ I.1] from the $maq\bar{a}la$ -yi $avval\bar{i}n$), and correspondingly in the First chapter of the First part of Nityānanda's Siddhāntasindhu (i.e., the prathamādhyāya [§ I.1] from the *prathamakāṇḍa*), we find their descriptions of the era (PER: $t\bar{a}r\bar{l}h$ -i ilāhī 'divine era', san: śaka) of Šāh Jahān. These are presented below with the original text and corresponding English translations in parallel columns.

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In the words of Mulla Farid

باب اول در معرفت تاریخ الهی شاهجهانی bāb-i avval dar macrifat-i tārīh-i ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī

First chapter, on the divine era of Šāh Then, in the first chapter, the descrip-Jahān.

ابتداء آن از اول سال جلوس همایون روز دوشنبه اول فروردين ماه الهي موافق يانزدهم ماه رجب المرجب بحسب امر اوسط و سيزدهم آن بحسب رؤيه سنه ١٠٣٧ هجري است بعد از چهار ساعت و هفت دقیقه از اول روز مذكور بطول دار الخلافه اگره

ibtidā³-i ān az avval-i sāl-i julūs-i humāyūn rūz-i dū-šanba avval-i farvardīn māh-i ilāhī muvāfiq-i pānzdahum-i māh-i rajab al-murajjab ba hasb-i amr-i awsat u sīzdahum-i ān ba hasb-i ru²ya sana 1037 hijrī ast ba^cd az čahār sā^cat u haft dagīga az

In the words of Nityānanda

तत्र प्रथमाध्याये शाहजहानीयशकविवर्णम् । tatra prathamādhyāye śāhajahānīyaśakavivarnam |

tion of the era of Šāh Jahān.

सप्तत्रिखेन्दु १०३७ प्रमितारबीय-शाके प्रवृत्ते खलु चान्द्रवर्षैः ॥ मासे तथा रज्जबसिज्ञके ऽस्मिन् मध्याह्वये पञ्चदशे दिने च ॥ १ ॥ त्रयोदशे ऽत्यन्तपरिस्फुटाख्ये विधोर्दिने खेन्दु १० घटीषु तद्वत् ॥ पलेषु मेघप्रमितेषु १७ भूयो

शाकोद्भवः शाहजहानृपस्या-सीदाद्यमासप्रथमाहसंज्ञे ॥ पुरे ऽर्गलाख्ये नृपराजधान्यां श्रीसरसेनाभिधदेशसंस्थे ॥ ३ ॥

दिनस्य यातेषु दलान्वितेषु ॥ २ ॥

saptatrikhendu 1037 pramitārabīyaśāke pravrtte khalu cāndravarsaih || māse tathā rajjabasajñike 'smin madhyāhvaye pañcadaśe dine ca || 1 || trayodaśe 'tyantaparisphutākhye vidhor dine khendu 10 ghaṭīṣu tadvat ||

vardīn). The epoch of Śāh Jahān's era corresponded to the 996th year in the Yazdgirdī era and the 550th in Jalālī era. A fuller discussion on Sāh Jahān's regnal era vis-à-vis the older eras is to appear in Misra (forthcoming).

(उपेन्द्रवज्रा)

(इन्द्रवज्रा)

उपजाति\

(indravajrā)

¹ The era of Šāh Jahān began on ан 1037, Rajab 15 (20 March 1628), on the day of the vernal equinox ($naw-r\bar{u}z$), and imitated the old Persian (Yazdgirdī/Qadīmī) era (epoch 16 June 632) and the Jalālī era of Saljūq King Malik Shāh I (epoch 15 March 1079) in its naming of the months (beginning with Far-

avval-i rūz-i maḍkūr ba ṭūl-i dār al-ḫilāfa agra

This era begins from the start of the year of the fortunate enthronement, that is on the Monday, first of the divine month of Farvardin, which corresponds to the 15th of the month of Rajab according to the mean position (amr-i awsat) and to the 13th of this month according to the sighting (ru^3ya), on the year of Hegira 1037, after 4 hours and 7 minutes from the beginning of the above-mentioned day on the longitude of the imperial capital Agra.

و سال و ماه این تاریخ شمسی حقیقی است چه سال مدت سیر آفتاب است از نقطه اول حمل تا باز رسیدن بهمان نقطه و اول فروردین ماه الهی که نوروز و سر سال است روزی بود که پیش از نیمروز آن روز آفتاب در اول حمل تحویل نماید و اگر بعد از نیمروز تحویل کند نوروز روز دومش بعد از نیمروز تحویل کند نوروز روز دومش باشد و همچنین تحویل آفتاب در هر برجی مدخل ماه شمارند و ماه مدت بودن آفتاب است در یک برج و آن از بیست و نه روز

paleṣu meghapramiteṣu 17 bhūyo dinasya yāteṣu dalānviteṣu || 2 || śākodbhavaḥ śāhajahānṛpasyā-sīd ādyamāsaprathamāhasaṃjñe || pure 'rgalākhye nṛparājadhānyāṃ śrīsūrasenābhidhadeśasaṃsthe || 3 ||

(upendravajrā)

(upajāti) bālā

Indeed, in [the year] 1037 of the Arabic era with lunar years that has commenced, and in the month called *rajjaba* (PER: Rajab) in this [year], on the 15th day [following what is] called the mean (*madhya*) [position] and... 1

...on the 13th [day following what is] known as exceedingly manifest (atyanta-parisphuṭa), on Monday, and likewise at 10 ghaṭis and 17 palas in the elapsed half of the day,... 2

...the birth of the era of King Šāh Jahān occurred in the first month known as the first *māha* (PER: *māh*) in the regnal capital city called Agra situated in the region known as Śrī Sūrasena [i.e., the Braj region of modern-day Uttar Pradesh]. 3²

एतस्य वर्षाणि तथैव मासाः सौराः स्फुटाख्याः परिचिन्तनीयाः ॥ यदा स्फुटार्कः खल्ज सायनांशो मेषं व्रजेन्मध्यदिनात्पुरस्तात् ॥ ४ ॥ तदैव तस्मिन्दिवसे प्रकल्प्यं सौराब्दवेशस्य दिनं सदाद्यम् ॥ दिनार्धतश्चेद्रविसंकमो ऽयं पश्चत्तदा स्यात्परवासरं हि ॥ ५ ॥ सर्वेषु मासेष्वपि तन्त्रविज्ञै-रेवं विधानं परिकल्पनीयम् ॥

(उपजाति) शाला

(विपरीता-) ख्यानिकी

Indian time units, a time of 10 *ghaṭis* and 17 *palas* (i.e., 246.8 minutes or $10^h 17^m$) in the elapsed half of that day at Agra (i.e., at 12:48 in the afternoon) corresponds to a time of 23:05.

² In the Islamic (Hijri) calendar, the day begins at sunset, and hence $4^h 7^m$ past sunset (at 18:53) on 15 Rajab ah 1037 (20 March 1628) at Agra corresponds to a time of 23:00. Following Nityānanda's description using

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کمتر و از سی و دو روز بیشتر نباشد و منجمان برای آسانی راندن اوساط کواکب در دستور العمل ماهها را سی سی روز گیرند u sāl u māh-i īn tārīh šamsī ast či sāl maddat-i sayr-i āftāb ast az nugta-yi avval-i hamal tā bāz rasīdan ba hamān nuqta u avval-i farvardīn māh-i ilāhī ki nawrūz u sar-i sāl ast rūzī buvad ki pīš az nīm-rūz-i ān rūz āftāb dar avval-i hamal tahvīl namāyad u agar ba^cd az nīmrūz tahvīl kunad naw-rūz rūz-i duvvumaš bāšad u hamčunīn tahvīl-i āftāb dar har burjī madhal-i māh šumārand u māh maddat-i būdan-i āftāb ast dar yak burj u ān az bīst u nuh rūz kamtar u az sī u dū rūz bīštar nabāšad u munajjimān barā-yi āsānī-yi rāndan-i awsāt-i kavākib dar dastūr al-camal māhhā rā sī sī rūz gīrand

The year and month of this year are solar, i.e., the year has the duration of the passage of the Sun from the first point of Aries to its return to the same The beginning of the divine month of Farvardīn which is the 'new day' (naw- $r\bar{u}z$) and the extremity of the year should be on the day on which, before midday, the Sun transfers in o° Aries and if it does so after midday, the 'new day' will be on the second day [of this month]. In the same way, we consider the beginning (madhal) of the month as the transfer of the Sun in every zodiac constellation. One month is the duration of the staying of the Sun in one zodiac constellation and it is minimum 29-day long and maximum 32-day long. Astronomers take 30-day long months to simplify the driving of the mean motions (awsāt) of planets in [their] practical rules ($dast\bar{u}r al$ - $^{c}amal$).

ज्योतिर्विदः सद्गणितप्रसिद्यै त्रिंशद्दिनं मासमुशन्ति सर्वम् ॥ ६ ॥

etasya varsāni tathaiva māsāh saurāh sphutākhyāh paricintanīyāh || 'upajāti` yadā sphutārkah khalu sāyanāmśo śālā meşam vrajen madhyadināt purastāt || 4 || tadaiva tasmin divase prakalpyam saurābdaveśasya dinam sadādyam || viparītādinārdhataś ced ravisamkramo 'yam (khyānikī) paścat tadā syāt paravāsaram hi || 5 || sarvesu māsesvapi tantravijnair evam vidhānam parikalpanīyam || 'upajāti\ jyotirvidah sadganitaprasiddhyai trimśaddinam māsam uśanti sarvam || 6 ||

The years and similarly the months of this [era] are to be considered as true solar [i.e., tropical or *sāyana* solar year]. Indeed, if the true [position of the] Sun with the degrees of equinoctial precession attains Aries before midday... 4

...then on that very day, the true first day (*sat-ādya-dina*) of the ingress of the solar year should be maintained. And if this passage of the Sun is after midday, then, perhaps, the next day [should be considered]. 5

In this way, [this] rule [for the determining the beginning of a month] should be maintained in all the [solar] months by men learned in the sciences. An astronomer considers a 30-day month entirely for the sake of accomplishing real computations (*sat-ganita*). 6

و در آخر سال پنج روز افزایند و آنرا خمسه مسترقه خوانند و گاهی برای اعمال دیگر بترتیب فروردین لا اردی بهشت لا خورداد لب تیر لا امرداد لا شهریور لا مهر ل ابان ل اذر کط دی کط بهمن ل اسفندارمذ ل شمارند

u dar āḥir-i sāl panj rūz afzāyand u ān rā ḥamsa-yi mustariqa ḥwānand u gāhī barā-yi a^cmāl-i dīgar ba tartīb-i farvardīn 31 ardī-bihišt 31 ḥwurdād 32 tīr 31 amurdād 31 šahrīvar 31 mihr 30 abān 30 adar 29 day 29 bahman 30 isfandārmad 30 šumārand

At the end of the year, five days are added and they are called the five supplementary [days]. Sometimes for other calculations, they count [months] in this manner: Farvardīn 31, Ardī-Bihišt 31, Ḥwurdād 32, Tīr 31, Amurdād 31, Šahrīvar 31, Mihr 30, Abān 30, Aḍar 29, Day 29, Bahman 30, [and] Isfandārmad 30.

پس ماهها بر هر دو تقدیر شمسی اصطلاحی باشد و نام ماهها بعینه نام ماههای قدیمی است الا در امرداد ا و خورداد و اضافه نموده و ماهها بالهی مقید سازند و نام روزهای ماه هم همان نامهای قدیمی است الا روز سی و دوم را شب گهیند

pas māhhā bar har dū taqdīr-i šamsī iṣṭilāḥī bāšad u nām-i māhhā bi-caynihi nām-i māhhā-yi qadīmī ast illā dar amurdād a u hurdād v iżāfa namūda u māhhā ba ilāhī muqayyad sāzand u nām-i rūzhā-yi māh वर्षान्त्यसंस्थं दिनपञ्चकं च बुधोर्विचिन्त्यं खलु भिन्नमेवम् ॥ किंवा कुरामैः ३१ कुगुणै ३१ रदाख्यै- ३२ भूविह्निभि ३१ भूमिगुणै ३१ दिनश्च ॥ ७ ॥ (उपजाति) भूरामसङ्खोः ३१ खगुणैः ३० खरामै- ३० गोंबाहुभि २९ गोंनयनैः २९ खलोकैः ३० ॥ व्योमाग्नि ३० तुल्यैः कमशः प्रकल्प्या मासा इलाहीति जगत्प्रसिद्धाः ॥ ८ ॥ (इन्द्रवज्रा)

varṣāntyasaṃsthaṃ dinapañcakaṃ ca budhor vicintyaṃ khalu bhinnam evam || kiṃvā kurāmaiḥ 31 kuguṇai 31 radākhyair 32 bhūvahnibhir 31 bhūmiguṇair 31 dinaiśca || 7 || (upajāti)

bhūrāmasaṅkhyaiḥ 31 khaguṇaiḥ 30 kharāmair 30 gobāhubhir 29 gonayanaiḥ 29 khalokaiḥ 30 ||

vyomāgni 30 tulyaiḥ kramaśaḥ prakalpyā māsā ilāhīti jagatprasiddhāḥ || 8 || (indravajrā)

And five days are situated at the end of the year [that] are indeed regarded by wise men as different. Otherwise, with 31, 31, 32, 31, and 31 days,... 7[and] with equivalent numbers 31, 30, 30, 29, 29, 30 [and] 30 sequentially, the months that are world-famous [in the calendar] called *ilāhī* (PER: *ilāhī* 'divine') should be supposed. 8

यन्नामकाः सन्ति च पारसीका-स्तन्नामका एव सदेह मासाः ॥ तथैव नामानि च वासराणां किंत्वत्र रोजं च शबं विशेषः ॥ ९ ॥

yannāmakāḥ santi ca pārasīkās tannāmakā eva sadeha māsāḥ || tathaiva nāmāni ca vāsarāṇāṃ kiṃtv atra rojaṃ ca śabam viśeṣah || 9 || ham hamān nāmhā-yi qadīmī ast illā rūz-i sī u yakum rā rūz u sī u duvum rā šab gūyand

Thus, months are used in both solar measures. The names of the months are identical to the old names, except in Amurdād and Ḥurdād where an alif and a $v\bar{a}v$ are added respectively. The names are called 'divine'. The names of the days of the month are the same of the old names, except the 31st day is called 'day' and the 32nd is called 'night'.

The year is 365 days long, which corresponds to the number [in abjad valuation] of the blessed and sanctified name [of 'Šāh Jahān']. After four years, because of an excess fractional part (*kusūr*) of 14 33 7 32 [up to the] fourth, one intercalary day (*kabīsa*) is added so that there are 366 days. And when there is an intercalary day [added after] every four years [for] seven or eight times, it is [added] once in the fifth year after.³

And the names that are Persian, those very names are always [the names of] the months in this case, and similarly, [are also] the names of the years. But here, there is distinction [in the words] roja (PER: ruz 'day') and śaba (PER: šab 'night'). 9

و اگر خواهند که مدخل سال یا ماه تاریخ الهی شاهجهانی بدانند سالهای تامه این تاریخ را درین جدول در آرند و ایام و دقایق که در مقابل سالهای مجموعه مبسوطه یابند بر گیرند و جنس بر جنس افزایند و چون کسور از شصت دقیقه زیاده شود آنرا بیک روز مرفوع کنند آنچه باقی ماند آنرا نیز یک روز اعتبار کنند و از ایام حاصل هفت هفت طرح کنند تا هفت یا کمتر ازان بماند دو بران افزایند حاصل مدخل سال بود

u agar hwāhand ki madhal-i sāl yā māh-i tārīh-i ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī badānand sālhā-yi tāmma-yi īn tārīh rā dar īn jadval dar ārand u ayyām u daqāyiq ki dar muqābil-i sālhā-yi majmūca-yi mabsūṭa yāband bar gīrand u jins bar jins afzāyand u čūn kusūr az šaṣt daqīqa ziyāda šavad ān rā ba yak rūz marfūc kunand ānči bāqī mānad ān rā nīz yak rūz ictibār kunand u az ayyām-i ḥāṣil haft haft ṭarḥ kunand tā haft yā kamtar az ān bamānad dū bar ān afzāyand ḥāṣil madhal-i sāl buvad

And if one wants to know the beginning (madhal) of the year or of the month in the divine era of Šāh Jahān, one can take the complete years in this era from the following table, and [then] take the days and minutes found in front of the extended aggregate years and add them unit upon unit.

श्रीशाहशाकस्य गताब्दवृन्दा-देतैः प्रकोष्ठेर्गतवासरौघः ॥ साध्यः पुरावद्वियुतो विधेयः

सप्तावशेषो ऽब्दमुखस्य वारः ॥ १० ॥ (इन्द्रवज्रा)

śrīśāhaśākasya gatābdavṛndād etaiḥ prakoṣṭhair gatavāsaraughaḥ || sādhyaḥ purāvad dviyuto vidheyaḥ saptāvaśeso 'bdamukhasya vārah || 10 || (indravajrā)

From the score of elapsed years in the calendrical era of the venerable Šāh [Jahān], the number of elapsed days should be calculated with these tables as before. The weekday at the beginning of the year should be determined as the remainder among seven added

first year). This cycle repeats itself up to seven or eight times at which point the off-set increases to five years instead of four. For example, in the cumulative count of days beginning from the end of the first year, an intercalary day is added after six intervals of four years (i.e., in years five, nine, thirteen, seventeen, twenty-one, and twenty-five) followed by an interval of five years (i.e., in the thirtieth year).

to two. 10

³ As Table G1 (reproduced from what is seen in both the $Zi\bar{\jmath}$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\iota}$ and the $Siddh\bar{a}ntasindhu$) shows, the fractional excess of days over 365 in each calendar year is 0;14,33,7,32. Hence, after every four years, the cumulative fractional excess is 0;58,12,30,8, which in turn implies that an intercalary day is added in the day count of the fourth year (when we start counting the intercalation interval from the end of the

When the fractional parts exceed sixty minutes, it is carried over as one day. The remainder is to be considered as one day. And from the number of days that are obtained one should repeatedly deduct seven until seven or less remains and add two to this number. The result will be the beginning of the year.⁴

پس دران روز تقویم شمس استخراج کنند اگر باول حمل باشد فبها و الا یک روز کم یا زیاده کنند مدخل سال بود

pas dar ān ruz taqvīm-i šams istiḥrāj kunand agar ba avval-i ḥamal bāšad fabihā u illā yak rūz kam yā ziyāda kunand madḥal-i sāl buvad

Afterwards, one can derive the true longitude of the Sun on this day. If it in o° Aries, this is well and good! If not, one should add or remove one day to obtain the beginning of the year.⁵

پس بجهت هر ماهی که خواهند ایام آن ماهها بر مدخل سال افزایند و هفت هفت طرح کنند باقی مدخل ماه مطلوب بود

pas ba jihat-i har māhī ki ḫwāhand ayyām-i ān māhhā bar madḫal-i sāl afzāyand u haft haft ṭarḥ kunand bāqī madḫal-i māh-i maṭlūb buvad

Also, to find the month that one is looking for, one should add the days of these months to the beginning of the year and remove seven repeatedly and the remainder will be the beginning of the desired month.⁶

तिस्मिन्दिने स्पष्टरिवर्गतो ऽभू-न्मेषानने चेत्सतु शुद्ध एव ॥ नो चेत्तदा पूर्वपराख्य वारः प्रकत्पनीयो गणकप्रमुख्यैः ॥ ११ ॥

tasmin dine spaṣṭaravir gato 'bhūn meṣānane cet sa tu śuddha eva || no cet tadā pūrvaparākhya vāraḥ prakalpanīyo gaṇakapramukhyaiḥ || 11 ||

(upajāti bālā

उपजाति'

On that day, if the true [position of the] Sun has gone to the beginning of Aries, then that is just precise; if not, then the weekday before or after should be supposed [as the first day of the year] by the foremost of astronomers, 11

एवं हि मासोद्भववासराणि गतानि वर्षाद्यदिनान्वितानि ॥ सप्ताविशिष्टानि च मासवेशे वारो विचिन्त्यः स्फुटतास्य तद्वत् ॥ १२ ॥ (उपजाति)

evam hi māsodbhavavāsarāņi gatāni varṣādyadinānvitāni || saptāvaśistāni ca māsaveśe

vāro vicintyah sphuṭatāsya tadvat || 12 || (upajāti)

In just the same way, the days of months are those that have elapsed since the day at the beginning of the year, and the weekday at the beginning of the month should be regarded from [among their] remainders among seven. Likewise, is its correctness [determined]. 12

و جدول ایام سالهای تامه الهی شاهجهانی این است

u jadval-i ayyām-i sālhā-yi tāmma-yi ilāhī-yi šāh-jahānī īn ast अथ तद्र्थमेकद्शशतसहस्रवर्षाणां यथा पृथक्पृथिरदनानि लभ्यन्ते कोष्ठका लिख्यन्ते । पूर्वं सहस्रस्थानं वर्षाणां गवेष्यं तद्भावे शतस्थनं तद्भावे दशस्थानं तद्भावेकस्थानं गवेष्यं । यद्यत्स्थानस्य दिवसा लभ्यन्ते तत्तत्स्थानस्य दिनानि घटिकाश्चैकत्रकृत्वा प्राग्वचिन्तयेत् ।

tadartham ekadaśaśatasahasraatha prthakprthagdināni varsānām yathā labhyante kosthakā likhyante | pūrvam sahasrasthānam varsānām gavesyam tadabhāve śatasthanam tadabhāve daśasthānam tadabhāvaikasthānam gavesyam | yadyatsthānasya divasā labhyantetattatsthānasya dināni ghaţikāś caikatrakrtvā prāgvac cintayet |

4 For example, 1 January 2023 is 394 years, 9 months, and 12 days from the beginning of the calendrical era of Šāh Jahān on Monday, 20 March 1628. Hence, to determine the weekday on which, say, the year 394 in Šāh Jahān's regnal era began, we aggregate the number of days in 394 years from Table G1. This value is 143905;33,31,28,8. The integerpart of this number is 143905, which when added to 1 (rounded up from the remaining fraction part of the number) gives 143906. This number is equivalent to o in modulo seven arithmetic (i.e., $o \equiv 143906 \mod 7$). Now, in Šāh Jahān's regnal-era calendar, like in the solar Hijri calendar, the week begins with Saturday (PER: šanba, day o) and hence the epoch weekday of Monday corresponds to day 2. To determine any corresponding weekday from this epoch, two is added to the modulo remainder and the resulting number corresponds to the ordinary weekday number (starting from day o). In the present case, that resulting number is 2; in other words, the day commencing the year 394 in Sāh Jahān's regnal era is a Monday by this calculation. This agree with Gregorian date of Monday, 21 March 2022, the day of the vernal equinox (naw- $r\bar{u}z$).

5 For example, by the calculation in note 4, the year 394 in the regnal era of Šāh Jahān

begins on Monday, 21 March 2022. However, the ingress of the Sun into 0° Aries occurs (for Agra) on Sunday, 20 March 2022, at 21:03. Hence, the beginning of the year 394 could be rectified to Sunday, 20 March 2022; however, a further correction is applicable here as the 'new day' (naw-rūz) marking 1 Farvardīn should be on the day when the vernal equinox occurs before midday (see page 191). This implies that the true beginning (1 Farvardīn) of the 394th year in the regnal era of Šāh Jahān is, in fact, on Monday, 21 March 2022.

6 For example, as worked out in note 5, the year 394 in the regnal era of Šāh Jahān began on Monday, 21 March 2022. To calculate, say, the weekday at the beginning of the fifth month in this calendar (i.e., 1 Amurdād), we note that the number of days since the beginning of the year are 125 (aggregated by adding the days in the months of Farvardīn, Ardī-Bihišt, Ḥwurdād, and Tīr; see page 192). This is equivalent to 6 in modulo seven arithmetic. In other words, the weekday at the beginning of the month of Amurdād in the year 394 of the regnal era of Šāh Jahān is a Sunday (counting sequentially to day 6 from Monday, day o). This corresponds with Gregorian date of Sunday, 24 July 2022.

And here is the table of the days of the complete years in the divine era of Šāh Jahān.

Now, towards that end, tables of unit, tens, hundreds, and thousand years are written in order that different successive days be obtained. First, the group of thousands (sahasra-sthāna) of years is to be sought; in its absence, the group of hundreds (śata-sthāna); in its absence, the group of tens (daśa-sthāna); [and] in its absence the group of ones (eka-sthāna) is to be sought. The days of whichever group [of years] are obtained, one should regard the days and ghaṭikās of those respective groups, having brought them together, as previously [described].

Table G1: Cumulative number of days in successive scores of years in the calendrical era of $\S\bar{a}h$ Jahān.

Years	Number of days				Years	Number of days					
	integer	sexagesimal fraction			ction		integer sexagesimal fra			ial fra	ction
1	365	14	33	7	32	60	21914	33	7	32	0
2	730	29	6	15	4	70	25566	58	38	47	20
3	1095	43	39	22	36	8o	29219	24	10	2	40
4	1460	58	12	30	8	90	32871	49	41	18	O
5	1826	12	45	37	40	100	36524	15	12	33	20
6	2191	27	18	45	12	200	73048	30	25	6	40
7	2556	41	51	52	44	300	109572	45	37	40	О
8	2921	56	25	0	16	400	146097	О	50	13	20
9	3287	10	58	7	48	500	182621	16	2	46	40
10	3652	25	31	15	20	600	219145	31	15	20	О
20	7304	51	2	30	40	700	255669	46	27	53	20
30	10957	16	33	46	0	800	292194	1	40	26	40
40	14609	42	5	1	20	900	328718	16	53	0	О
50	18262	7	36	16	40	1000	365242	32	5	33	20

H MULLĀ FARĪD ON THE INDIAN CALENDAR

In the Seventh chapter of the First discourse of his $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (i.e., the $b\bar{a}b$ -i haftum [§ I.7] from the $maq\bar{a}la$ -yi $avval\bar{\imath}n$), Mullā Farīd describes the two Indian eras (PER: $t\bar{a}r\bar{\imath}h$ -i $hind\bar{\imath}$) of $bikram\bar{a}j\bar{\imath}t$ (SAN: $vikram\bar{a}ditya$) and $s\bar{a}libah\bar{a}n$ (SAN: $s\bar{a}liv\bar{a}hana$). The Persian text of this chapter and its English translation is presented below.

باب هفتم بر بیان تاریخ هندی اهل هند را تواریخ در کثرت بحدی است که از حدّ و عدّ خارج است و آنچه درین زمان بکار دارند تاریخ بکرماجیت است که آنرا سنبت گویند و تاریخ سکاکال که آنرا سالبهان خوانند و سال ایشان شمسی است و ماه قمری و روز وضعی و ابتداء سال از روزی گیرند که دران روز اجتماع نزدیک بنقطه اعتدال ربیعی بحساب آنها شده باشد و ابتداء ماه از اجتماع کنند و بعد هر دوازده درجه میان ماه و آفتاب را زوزی گیرند و آنرا تته نامند و هر ماهی را سی تته گیرند و آنرا بدو قسم سازند و هر یک را پاکهه نامند پس پانزده روز را که از اجتماع است تا استقبال پاکهه سد خوانند و پانزده روز دیگر را که از استقبال است تا اجتماع دیگر پاکهه بد نامند و تمام سال را سیصد و شصت روز شمارند پس فضل میان این سال و سال شمسی حقیقی یازده روز وضعی و سی و یک جز از چهارصد و هشتاد جز روز است و چون سی روز را در ۴۸۰ ضرب کنند و حاصل را در ایام یکسال که ۳۶۰ است ضرب کنند و بر ۵۳۱۱ پنج هزار و سیصد و یازده که عدد ادوار شمس در مدت چهل و سه لک و بیست هزار سال است قسمت کنند خارج قسمت ۹۷۶ روز و ۴۶۴ جز و از پنج هزار و سیصد و یازده جزو حاصل آید پس چون این مقدار مدت بگذرد بجهت رفع تفاوت مذكور ميان سال مذكور و سال شمسي حقيقي يكماه كبيسه كنند و آنرا ماه لوند خوانند و در هر ماهی که کبیسه افتد آن ماه را دو بار شمارند مثلا اگر کبیسه از اول ماه اساره شروع شود آن ماه را و ماه آینده را نیز اساره خوانند و بعد ازان ماه آینده ساون بود و چون بر تاریخ سکاکال ۴۲۳۶ افزایند و مبلغ را رفع کنند حرکت اوج بحساب آنها بیرون آید و چون از وی دو برج و هژده درجه نقصان کنند باقی را این انس گویند و در تاریخ ذکر سالهای تامه کنند نه ناقصه

bāb-i haftum bar bayān-i tārīḥ-i hindī ahl-i hind rā tavārīḥ dar katrat ba ḥaddī ast ki az ḥadd u 'add ḥārij ast u ānči dar īn zamān ba kār dārand tārīḥ-i bikramājīt ast ki ān rā sanbat gūyand u tārīḥ-i sakākāl ki ān rā sālibahān ḥwānand u sāl-i īšān šamsī ast u māh qamarī u rūz vaz'ī u ibtidā'-i sāl az rūzī gīrand ki dar ān rūz ijtimā'-i nazdīk ba nuqṭa-yi i'tidāl-i rabī'ī ba ḥisāb-i ānhā šuda bāšad u ibtidā'-i māh az ijtimā' kunand u bu'd-i har davāzdah daraja miyān-i māh u āftāb rā rūzī gīrand u ān rā tith nāmand u har māhī rā sī tith gīrand u ān rā ba dū qism sāzand u har yak rā pākha nāmand pas pānzdah rūz rā ki az ijtimā' ast tā istiqbāl pākha-yi sad ḥwānand u pānzdah rūz-i dīgar rā ki az istiqbāl ast tā ijtimā'-i dīgar pākha-yi bad nāmand u tamām-i sāl rā sīṣad u šaṣt rūz šumārand pas fażl miyān-i īn sāl u sāl-i šamsī-yi ḥaqīqī yāzdah rūz-i vaz'ī u sī u yak juz az čahārṣad u

haštād juz-i rūz ast u čūn sī rūz rā dar 480 żarb kunand u ḥāṣil rā dar ayyām-i yak-sāl ki 360 ast żarb kunand u bar 5311 panj hazār u sīṣad u yāzdah ki 'adad-i advār-i šams dar maddat-i čihil u sih lak u bīst hazār sāl ast qismat kunand hārij-i qismat 976 rūz u 464 juzv az panj hazār u sīṣad u yāzdah juzv ḥāṣil āyad pas čūn īn miqdār-i maddat baguḍarad ba jihat-i rafc-i tafāvut-i madkūr-i miyān-i sāl-i madkūr u sāl-i šamsī-yi ḥaqīqī yak-māh kabīsa kunand u ān rā māh-i lūnd hwānand u dar har māhī ki kabīsa uftad ān māh rā dū bār šumārand maṭalan agar kabīsa az avval-i māh-i asāra šurūc šavad ān māh rā u māh-i āyanda rā nīz asāra hwānand u bacd az ān māh-i āyanda sāvan buvad u čūn bar tārīḥ-i sakākāl 4236 afzāyand u mablaģ rā rafc kunand ḥarakat-yi awj ba ḥisāb-i ānhā bīrūn āyad u čūn az vay dū burj u hiždah daraja nuqṣān kunand bāqī rā ayan ans gūyand u dar tārīḥ dikr-i sālhā-yi tāmma kunand na nāqiṣa

Seventh chapter on the Indian era. The people of India have such a large quantity of eras that they are beyond count. The one that is used nowadays is the era of bikramājīt (san: vikramāditya), also called sanbat (san: samvat), and the era of sakākāl (san: śakakāla) also called sālibahān (san: śālivāhana). The year of these [two eras] is solar, their month lunar and their day civil (vaż? 'position'). They set the beginning of the year from the day on which, according to their calculation, is the close conjunction [of the Sun] with the point of the vernal equinox. [They set] the beginning of the month [starting] from the conjunction [i.e., the new Moon]. They take the distance of every twelve degrees between the Moon and the Sun as a [lunar] day, which they name *tith* (san: *tithi*). In every month, they count thirty tiths and they divide it in two parts, which are named pākha (san: pakṣa). Thus, the fifteen days from the conjunction to the opposition are named sad pākha (san: śuddhapakṣa). The fifteen other days from the opposition to the conjunction are named bad pākha (san: vadyapakṣa). They count three hundred sixty [tithi] days for the whole year. Thus, the remainder between this [lunar] year and the actual solar year is 11 civil days and 31/480 days. Since when you multiply 30 days by 480 and you multiply the result by the days in one year, i.e., 360, and you divide it by 5311, which is the number of revolutions of the Sun over a period of 43,20,000 years. The result of the division is 976 days and 464/5311 parts. Therefore, since this amount of time elapses, they add an intercalary month to remove the above-mentioned difference between this and the actual solar year. They call it the month of $l\bar{u}nd$. For every month on which the intercalation happens, they count it twice, e.g., if the intercalation starts from the first of the month of asāra (san: āsādha), they call asāra this month as well as the following month. After that, the following month will be sāvan (san: śrāvaṇa). Since they add 4236 to the sakākāl era and they remove the sum,

¹ These calculations for the intercalary months in the Indian system have been previously described by al-Bīrunī in his

al-Qanūn al-Mas c ūdī (see, e.g., Kennedy et al. 1965).

the movement of the apogee (awj) goes outside according to their calculation, and since they remove from it two constellations and 18 degrees, they call the rest $ayan \ ans \ (san: ayan \ ams \ (san: ayan \ ams \ (t \ ams \ t), they mention [only] full years, not defective ones.$

I MULLĀ FARĪD'S LIST OF FESTIVALS

In the Tenth chapter of the First discourse of his $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (i.e., the $b\bar{a}b$ -i $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ (i.e.,

The dates of Christian Greek festivals and Persian festivals are reproduced verbatim from the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$; however, the list of 'Arabic festivals' in Mullā Farīd's table is expanded to include dates related to the Islamic religious calendar, the lives of Muḥammad, prophets (Yūsuf, Yaḥyà), Caliphs ('Utmān, 'Umar), and the family of prophet Muḥammad (Ḥadīja, Fāṭima, 'Alī, Ḥasan, Ḥusayn, 'Alī Riżā)—all of which are not found in the $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $Ulu\dot{g}$ $B\bar{\imath}g$. Moreover, Mullā Farīd adds a list of festivals related to the position of the Sun in the zodiac, containing, inter alia, the dates of new year in the Malikī and Ḥwārazm Šāhī calendars, dates of the solstice and the equinox, dates of the rainy season, date of the Sadeh festival, etc.

The most interesting addition in Mullā Farīd's table of festivities is the inclusion of the following list of Indian religious festivals (following the Hindu lunisolar calendar):

- 1. Śrāvaṇa bright (san: śuddha) fortnight, full Moon (san: paurṇamāsī): Salūno (Raksha Bandhan);
- 2. Bhādra dark (san: vadya) fortnight, eighth day: [Krishna] Janmashtami;
- 3. Āśvina bright fortnight, tenth day: Dussehra;
- 4. Kārttika dark fortnight, new Moon (san: amāvāsī): Diwali;
- 5. Mārga bright fortnight, fifth day: Vasant Panchami;
- 6. Phālguna dark fortnight, fourteenth day: Shivaratri; and
- 7. Phālguna bright fortnight, full Moon: Holi.

The names of the Arabic festivals, Sun-related festivals, and Indian festivals in the Tenth chapter of the First discourse of Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $S\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ are stated in Persian (in Table I1) and its Latin transcription (in Table I2).

Table I1: Names of Arabic festivals, Sun-related festivals, and Indian festivals in Mullā Farīd's $Z\bar{\imath}j$ -i $\check{S}\bar{a}h$ $Jah\bar{a}n\bar{\imath}$ in Persian.

باب دهم در معرفت ایام مشهوره از هر تاریخ بعضی ازان متعلق است بموضع آفتاب و بعضی متعلق بایام سال و این مجموع درین جدول نهاده شد						
		ایام مشهوره از تاریخ عربی				
و رمضان ماه روزه است و محرم و اند		ماه رجب و شعبان و رمضان ماه عباد رجب و ذی قعده و ذی الحجه ماهها				
محرم	1	سر سال و تا ده روز ایام معلومات است				
	ی	عاشورا				
	٥	وفات على بن موسى الرضا				
صفر	يو	مرض رسول عليه السلام				
	يح	مولد یحی بن زکریا				
	ج	دفن نبی صلی الله علیه و سلم در مدینه				
ربيع الاول	ی	تزويج خديجه رضى الله عنها				
	یب	مولد النبى صلى الله عليه و سلم				
ربيع الآخر	ی	مقتل یحی بن زکریا				
	کج	وفات فاطمه زهرا رضى الله عنها				
جمادي الاول	كو	بيع يوسف عليه السلام				
جمادي الآخر	ط	مولد فاطمه زهرا رضى الله عنها				
	د	وفات حسن رضى الله تعالى عنه				
رجب	يه	استفتاح				
	کز	مبعث و معراج پیغمبر صلی الله علیه و سلم				
	ج	مولد حسين رضي الله عنه				
شعبان	٥	مولد حسن رضي الله عنه				
	يه	شب برات و نقل قبله				
رمضان	کا	وفات على رضى الله عنه				
رسيس		(continued)				

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		کج	شب قدر
	شوال	1	عيد فطر
	متوان	د	مباهله
	ذي القعده	ج	نزول جبرائيل
	دی انعمده	٥	فتح خيبر
		1	تا ده روز ایام معلومات است
		ح	روز ترویه
		ط	روز عرفه
		ی	عید قربان و آنرا عید اضحی گویند و اول ایام نحر تا سه روز
	ذى الحجه	يا	اول ایام تشریق و ایام معدودات تا سه روز
		يه	شهادت عثمان رضى الله تعالى عنه
		يح	روز غدیر خم
		که	وفات عمر رضي الله عنه
	م بیض است	ِ ماه ايا	سیزدهم و چهاردهم و پانزدهم از هر
		ارد.	ایام مشهوره که بموضع آفتاب تعلق د
	•	•	نوروز اول سال ملکی و اول بهار
	•	يط	نوروز خوارزم شاهي
	1	ک	آخر ایام مطر
	ب	يه	امتزاج فصلين
	ج	•	اول تابستان و آن چهله
	<u> </u>	ط	آب ریزان و آن سیزدهم تیر ماه
	٥	يه	امتزاج فصلين
	و	•	اول خزان
	ط	•	اول زمستان و اول چهله و شب یلدا
	ط	يه	امتزاج فصلين
	ی	ی	شب سده
	ي	يه	امتزاج فصلين
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	ایام مشهوره از تاریخ هندی
 پورن ماسی ساون سد	سلونو
بد اشتمی بهادون	جنم اشتمى
سد دسمی اسن	دسهره
بد اماوس کاتک	ديوالي
سد پنچمی ماگه	بسنت پنچمی
بد چودس پهاگن	سيورات
پورن ماسی پهاگن	هولي

Table I2: Names of Arabic festivals, Sun-related festivals, and Indian festivals in Mullā Farīd's Zīj-i Šāh Jahānī in transcribed Latin.

bāb-i dahum dar ma^crifat-i ayyām mašhūra az har tārīḥ ba^cżī az ān muta^calliq ast ba mawżi^c-i āftāb u ba^cżī muta^calliq ba ayyām-i sāl u īn majmū^c dar īn jadval nihāda šud

ayyām-i mašhūra az tārīḥ-i carabī

māh-i rajab u ša^cbān u ramazān māh-i ^cibādat ast u ramazān māh-i rūza ast u muḥarram u rajab u dī l-qa^cda u dī l-hijja māhhā-yi ḥarām and

		<u> </u>
sar-i sāl u tā dah rūz ayyām-i ma¶ūmāt ast	1	muḥarram
^c āšūrā	10	
vafāt-i ^c alī bin mūsà l-riżā	5	
maraż-i rasūl ^c alayhi l-salām	16	ṣafar
mawlid-i yaḥyà bin zakaryā	18	
dafn-i nabī sallà llāh ^c alayhi wa-sallama dar madīna	3	
tazvīj-i ḥadīja rażiya llāh ^c anhā	10	rabī ^c al-avval
mawlid al-nabī ṣallà llāh ^c alayhi wa-sallama	12	
maqtal-i yaḥyà bin zakaryā	10	
vafāt-i fāṭima-yi zahrā rażiya llāh ^c anhā	23	rabī ^c al-āḥir
bay ^c -i yūsuf ^c alayhi l-salām	26	jumādà al-avval
mawlid-i fāṭima-yi zahrā rażiya llāh canhā	9	jumādà al-āḫir
vafāt-i ḥasan rażiya llāh ta ^c ālà ^c anhu	4	
istiftāļı	15	rajab
mab ^c a <u>t</u> u mi ^c rāj-i payģambar ṣallà llāh ^c alayhi wa-sallama	27	
mawlid-i ḥusayn rażiya llāh ^c anhu	3	
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ša ^c bān	5	mawlid-i ḥasan rażiya llāh ^c anhu
	15	šab-i barāt u naql-i qibla
ramażān	21	vafāt-i ^c alī rażiya llāh ^c anhu
тити2ин	23	šab-i qadr
šavvāl	1	^c ayd-i fiṭr
Suoon	4	mubāhala
₫ī l-qa°da	3	nuzūl-i jibrā³īl
<u>u</u> 1 qu uu	5	fatḥ-i ḥaybar
	1	tā dah rūz ayyām-i ma ^c lūmāt ast
	8	rūz-i tarvīya
	9	rūz-i ^c arafa
	10	^c ayd-i qurbān u ān rā ^c ayd-i ażḥà gūyand u avval-i ayyām-i naḥr tā sih rūz
<u>d</u> ī l-ḥijja	11	avval-i ayyām-i tašrīq u ayyām-i ma ^c dūdāt tā sih rūz
	15	šahādat-i ^c u <u>t</u> mān rażiya llāh ta ^c ālà ^c anhu
	18	rūz-i ģadīr ḫumm
	25	vafāt-i ^c umar rażiya llāh ^c anhu
sīzdahum u čahārdahum u pānzdahu	m az har	· māh ayyām-i bayż ast
ayyām-i mašhūra ki ba mawżi ^c -i	āftāb ti	a ^c alluq dārad
0	0	naw-rūz avval-i sāl-i malikī u avval-i bahār
0	19	naw-rūz-i ḫwārazm-šāhī
1	20	āḫir-i ayyām-i maṭar
2	15	imtizāj-i faṣlayn
3	0	avval-i tābistān u ān čihila
3	9	āb-rīzān u ān sīzdahum-i tīr māh
5	15	imtizāj-i faṣlayn
		(continued)

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6	O	avval-i ḫazān			
9	0	avval-i zamistān u avval-i čihila u šab-i yaldā			
9	15	imtizāj-i faṣlayn			
10	10	šab-i sada			
11	15	imtizāj-i faṣlayn			
ayyām-i mašhūra az tārīḫ-i hindī					
sāvan sad	pūran māsī	salūnū			
bhādūn	bad aštamī	janam aštamī			
asan	sad dasamī	dasahra			
kātika	bad amāvas	dīvālī			
māga	sad pančamī	basant pančamī			
phāgun	bad čawdas	sīvrāt			
phāgun	pūran māsī	hūlī			

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