

Some Recent Publication on Islam/Muslims

**A Struggle for Identity : Muslim Women in the United Provinces by
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This book discusses how the colonial presence influenced the status of Indian Muslim women in the United Provinces particularly after 1857. The issues explored in the book are :

- ✚ Educational status of Muslim women and to what extent Western thought influenced the curriculum of women's education system.
- ✚ Perceptions of Western writers towards Indian Muslim women.
- ✚ How and why is 1857 a turning point for gender debates on Muslim women in India.
- ✚ Locating different shades of Muslim women's lives in the emerging hierarchical social order.
- ✚ How does caste system influence their mobility? The purpose here is to break established stereotypes about Muslim women and society.