An Annotated Bibliography

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Preface

For many years I could not find time to embark on preparing a list of all my writings. The idea of preparing such a list originated from friends, colleagues and students who noted the scarcity of historical documents regarding the more than two millennia of Jewish life in Iran. It was especially emphasized at the gathering held at the Hebrew University (April 9, 2003) on the occasion of my retirement.

In general, there are several ways to write bibliographies. One way is to list all works published in academic publications. The other is to provide an all-inclusive list of books and articles in both academic and non-academic publications. I chose the second way. Nevertheless, it must be stated that almost all my writings in nonacademic publications provide significant information about and insight into the history and culture of Persian Jews hoping that, treated as "archival documents", they will benefit future generations of scholars. The inclusion of memoirs, biographies and even autobiographies in the list is in itself a vivid learning tour of the life and experience of persons who in one way or another have been involved in communal activities.

With the exception of few cases, Persian Jews in the past have not supplied us with historical documents. The exceptions are the Chronicles of Baba'i ben Lotf (17th century) and that of Baha'i ben Farhad (around the year 1730). There is also some scattered information that can be gleaned from the travelogues of a few European travelers. Due to Alliance Israelite Universelle and AngloJewish Association's activities, we are supplied with more information about Persian Jews from the middle of the 19th century on.

Likewise, we do not possess a valuable source called "Pinqasei Qehilah" (Community Records) as do, for instance, communities such as Salonika or the Italian cities. A glimpse into the lives and activities of Persian Jewry was made possible to some extent by the foundation of Judeo-Persian Press the first of which, Shalom, was published in Teheran just for one year in 1915. It was followed by H..a-Ge'ulah and He-Ifaim, in the second decade of the 20th century, 'Alam-e Yahud, Israe'l, Sina etc, from 1945 on. They actually disappeared in the 1960s. Most of the pages of these publications were devoted to entertain the many of their readers rather than providing information about the socio-cultural conditions of the Jews in Iran. Thus, the scarcity of historical documents continued to make research difficult and sometimes impossible.

Most of my essays and articles in non-professional magazines, listed in Parts A-V of the bibliography, are mainly the work of research based on oral history, archival documents and occasionally written material found in private hands. These were written for general readers and scholars alike; many of them have critical apparatus of footnotes, references and bibliographies. Limitations of time in one's life as well as accumulation of numerous precious information in my private archive motivated me to publish the material in respectable Jewish Iranian magazines of New York and Los Angeles.

In so doing, I tried to fill the gap generated by the lack of source material and make the information available to the public and researchers as well. To facilitate the understanding of their contents, most of the entries have annotated titles followed by short explanatory descriptions.

To make the bibliography useful to scholars and students, I separated the academic works from the writings published in general forums. The latter, as stated before, contain
important information and impartial evaluation concerning communal events which merit scholarly attention. These writings are, in a way, first hand contributions to the history and culture of the Jewish Persian communities in Iran, Israel and the United States. I hope my critical observations and comments regarding the socio-economic structure as well as the leadership in various Jewish Iranian communities will be appreciated. I tried my best to preserve scholarly objectivity, intellectual integrity and unbiased judgement in these writings.

This bibliography reflects my work as published to date. My travels to many remote cities and villages in Iran during the years 1971-1978 still remain to be written. These travels, which seemed to me of imperative need, involved considerable physical hardship. They were made in search of Jewish communities as well as Muslims who were apparently Jewish converts. The all-embracing culture and local traditions of both communities appeared to me immensely interesting and worthy of academic investigations.

Finally, I hope that my voyage into the history, culture and traditions of Persian Jewry as expressed in the pages of the present bibliography, with all its deficiencies, will prove to be a humble contribution to Judeo-Persian studies.
An Annotated Bibliography of the Writings of

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Part I

A. Text Books


B. Books

   The book opened a way for further studies in JP literature.
   It contains a rather long introduction evaluating the significance and development of JP literature showing samples of poems composed by seventeen great JP poets.
   Many poems and poets and their time and place were discovered. The influence of Persian poetry was discussed.
See also a review of the book by Prof. Ziya' al-Din Sajjadi of the Teheran University in Raihnama-ye Ketab, nos 4-6, Teheran, Summer 1974, pp. 312-317. This book was translated into Arabic by Dr. Muhammad Nur al-Din 'Abd al-Mun'im, al-'Adabu al-farsi 'ind yahudu 'Iran, Cairo: The University of al-Azhar, 2000.

2. The Literature of the Jews of Iran, (Jewish Poets and their Selected Poems), Jerusalem 1979, 64p. (P) / It is an excerpt of the above BI.

3. The Jews of Iran Today, Study Circle on World Jewry in the Home of the President of Israel; Jerusalem: The Hebrew University of Jerusalem 1981, 54p. (H)


7. Shemu'el Haim's Biography / Series of 92 articles (about 400 pages) concerning the life and deeds of Shemu'el Haim, the Jewish member of Majlis (1923-26, executed 1931), have been published in Shofar from June 1989 till May 1997. They are being prepared as a book to be published in the near future.

C. Books and Publications Edited

1. The Jews of Iran, Tel-Aviv 1988, 166p. (H)
4. Duties of Judah by Rabbi Yehudah Ben El'azar, Edited, Translated and Introduced by Amnon Netzer, Jerusalem: Ben Zvi Institute 1995, 597p (JP+H) + 80 pages of introduction in English. I As far as we know, it is the first and only valuable writing in the field of philosophy and theology found in JP. Rabbi Yehudah b. El'azar displays a vast knowledge in the above field. He may be regarded as the Rambam of Persian Jewry.

D. Articles
1. "Daniyal-name: An Exposition of Judea-Persian," in *Islam and its Cultural Divergence*, ed. by G.L. Tikku, Urbana-ChicagoLondon: University of Illinois Press 1971, pp. 145-164. For the first time showing the significance of this important and unique work of poetry which was composed in 17th century Bukhara. The date of the work and interpolation of some lines of poetry by Amina, another JP poet, were discovered.


6. "A Judea-Persian Footnote: Sahin and 'Emrani," in *Israel Oriental Studies*, Vol. IV, Tel-Aviv University 1974, pp. 258-264. / New dates and works have been discovered for the first time. This article is mainly based on my book on JP literature. See above BI.


10. "The Fate of the Jewish Community of Tabriz," in *Shevet va' Am*, 3(8), Jerusalem 1978, pp. 129-136. (H) I For the first time the extent and the new dates concerning the massacre of the Jews in Tabriz have been shown in the article.


15. "Supplications of Rabbi Binyamin ben Misha'el [Aminal of Kashan," *Pe'amim*, Vol. 11, Jerusalem 1979, pp. 48-54. (H) I A poem in Hebrew has been discovered and published for the first time. Based on internal evidence, poet's date of birth is ascertained for the first time.

17. "Jewish Community of Teheran from the beginning of its Settlement until the Constitutional Revolution of 1906," Shevet va'Am, 4(9), Jerusalem 1980, pp. 248-262. (H) / A research based on various important documents tracing the beginning and development of the Jewish settlement in Teheran.


21. "Persecution of Iranian Jewry in the 17th Century," Pe'amim, Vol. VI, Jerusalem 1980, pp. 32-56. (H) / The work is based on Babai b. Lorf Chronicle still in ms. Disorderly events in the Chronicle were put in order and new dates as to beginning and the end of events were discovered.


29. "Iran and Iranian Jewry Three Years after the Revolution," in Gesher, A/106, Tel-Aviv 1982, pp. 96-111. (H)


31. "The Literature of Persian Jewry," Pe'amim, Vol. XAI, Jerusalem 1982, pp. 5-19. (H) / More than 60 JP poets gathered from JP mss are presented in the article. Many of them have been hitherto unknown to the scholars.


36. "Sacred and Secular Music among the Jews of Iran," *Pe'amim*, Vol. XIX, Jerusalem 1984, pp. 163-181. (H) / The first of its kind which is being chosen as a text source in the Department of Musicology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. See also Part V, BI-2.


38. "The Jews of Iran in the United States," *Gesher*, 1/110, Tel-Aviv 1984, pp. 79-90. (H) / It remains the first hand source regarding the Jewish immigrants and their leaders and organizations in the US.

39. "An Elegy by Hezqiyiah the Marrano (17th Cent.)," *The Dhimmi, Jews and Christians under Islam*, edited by Bat Ye'or, Jerusalem 1986, pp. 295-303. (H) / It is based on a unique ms of its kind probably originating from Isfahan.


42. "Anti-Semitism in Iran, 1925-1950," *Pe'amim*, Vol. XXIX, Jerusalem 1986, pp. 5-31. (H) / Mainly based on books and newspapers published in Iran. Jewish publications in Iran have been consulted as well. See also below All, Al6 in Part AI.

43. "Studies in the Spoken Language of the Jews of Iran," in *Culture and History*, ed. Joseph Dan, Jerusalem: Miskgav Yerushalayim, Institute for Research on the Sephardi and Oriental Jewish Heritage 1987, pp. 19-44. (H) / Certain Socio-linguistic levels of the language in Iran as well as the Persian language of the immigrants in Israel have been analyzed.


45. "Islamic Regime of Iran," in *Seqirah Hodshit*, Vol. 37, No.1, TelAviv 1988, pp. 25-38. (H) / The situation of the Jews in Iran has been examined too.

46. "Shahzadeh ve-Sufi by Elisha' ben Shemu'el [Ragheb]," in *Pe'amim*, Vol. 35, Jerusalem 1988, pp. 24-45. (H) / The main sources of the above work have been examined
and also, for the first time, all the works of the Poet known to me have been presented and referred to.

47. "The Story of the Prophet Sho'ayb in Shahin's Musanameh," in Iranica Varia: Papers in Honor of Professor Ehsan Yarshater, Leiden: EJ. Brill 1990, pp.152-167. / It has been compared with the same story narrated in Preso-Arabic works usually known as Qe~a~ al-Anbiya'.


50. "The Saint Rabbi Moshe ha-Levi of Kashan," in Jerusalem Studies in Jewish Folklore, Jerusalem 1990, Vols. XI-XA, pp. 57-75. (H) / The article also exam ins the story of Moshe haLevi who probably was a descendent of Marranos' family from Spain/Portugal.


30-35. (p) / A different view based on published materials by Iranists.


61. "Rashid al-Din and his Jewish Background," in *Irano-Judaica*, Vol. AI, Jerusalem: Ben Zvi Institute 1994, pp. 118-126 (see above C3). / Based on most available Perso-Arabic sources as well as researches done by the Iranian and European scholars. New findings are proposed.

62. "The Story of the Creation according to Sahin's Beresitnameh," *Proceedings of the Second European Conference of Iranian Studies*, edited by Bert G. Fragner et al, Rome 1995, pp. 511-521. / It has been compared with the same story narrated in Preso-Arabic works usually known as Qe~a~ al-Anbiya'.


80. "Notes and Observations Concerning Sahin's Birthplace," in *Irano-Judaica*, Vol. IV, Jerusalem: Ben-Zvi Institute 1999, pp. 187-202 (see above C8). / An attempt has been made to study Shahin's all poems line by line in order to determine whether or not his language shows any trace of being from Shiraz. It has been proposed that he may have belonged to Khorasan, possibly Merv.

E. Book Reviews


F. Introductions in the Following Books


G. Articles in Encyclopaedia Hebraica

6. "Iraq under the Persians [1508-1918]," in Encyclopaedia Hebraica, XXVA, 127-128. (H)
7. "Firdowsi," in Encyclopaedia Hebraica, XXVA, 773-774. (H)
8. "Farid ai-Din 'Attar," in Encyclopaedia Hebraica, XXVAI, 201. (H)
15. "Shiraz," in Encyclopaedia Hebraica, XXXI, 850-852. (H)

H. Articles in Encyclopaedia Iranica


I. Articles in Encyclopaedia Judaica

A Selected List of Writings in General Publications

Note: The following short essays and articles, usually with an average of five to six columns (=five to six pages), are mainly the work of research based on oral and written history as well as archival documents. Most of the articles are written for general readers and scholars alike. As was pointed out in the preface, limitations of time in one's life as well as accumulation of many such information motivated the present writer to publish the material in respectable Jewish Iranian magazines of New York and Los Angeles. To facilitate the understanding of their contents, most of the entries below are annotated titles. My articles in *Shofar* usually begin in page 22 of the Magazine. Needless to say that these short articles attempt to provide genuine insight into the culture of Iranian Jewry as well as valuable information to the future generations of scholars.

Part A

*Articles in the Jewish-Persian Magazine*

*Shofar Cultural Foundation*

Edited by Yosef Shahery, Long Island/New York

A. Jews of Iran

1. Series of 92 articles (about 400 pages) concerning the life and deeds of Shemu'el Haim, the Jewish member of Majlis (1923-26), have been published in *Shofar* from June 1989 till May 1997. They are being prepared as a book to be published in the near future. This entry is also mentioned above (Part I) under Books. See reactions to these articles by N-K (March 1990); Yosef Hakimiyah (December 1993); Massood Haroonian (December 1993); A general report by the editor (October 1994); Mirza Aqa Rahban (December 1995); Davoud Adhami (January 1996); Dr. Manouchehr Khouban (February 1996); ~iyoun Levy (December 1996); Elyas Bokhour (February 1997); Dr. Manouchehr Khouban (March 1998); Davoud Adhami (March 1998); An answer to Dr. Khouban (April 1998); An answer to Davoud Adhami (June 1998); Emanuel Javid-Niya (July 1999); An answer to Moshfaq Hamadani's criticism published in Chashm Andaaz (August-September 1999).

2. "Johud ya/or Yahudi" (September 1993). / Elaborating the historical background of these terms and their relevance to the Jews of different cities in Iran. See also A2 in Part AI.


4. "Do Nameh" (February 1998). / About Two letters one of Dandan Uiliq in Khotan (mid-eight cent.), the second letter belongs to an Italian scholar, "Professor Jakomo", who thinks the Catholic inhabitants of some villages in North Italy claim to have been Jews who came from a place called Zadra probably in West Iran.

5. Confrontation between Yitzhak Ben-Zvi and Mr. Nourzad, the Consul General of Iran in Jerusalem, following the latter's visit of Iran in 1935 (March 1998).
6. "Fortieth Anniversary of the Foundation of Persian Broadcast Service in Israel" (April and May 1998). / How the above daily broadcast service was established by the present writer. Series of two articles


8. About the Jewish Persian immigrants to Israel whose boat sank in Bosphorus (Turkey) in July 1951 (December 1998).


11. Jews of Mashhad in Iran and Israel (February 1999).

12. "Jewish Women of Iran and the problem of inheritance and divorce". Series of 12 articles (about 80 pages) from July 1999 until June 2000. / Articles are based on archival documents as well as Jewish local publications. In article 10 (April 2000) one may find short biographies of Rabbi Yedidia Shofet, Rabbi Uri'el Davidi, Shamsi;Iekmat, Maliheh Kashfi, Ebrahim Moreh and Yousef Cohen. The article 11 (May 2000) is mainly dedicated to Rabbi Yossef Or-Sharga. All of them were active in solving the above problem.


14. "Jews of Mashahd and their problem to immigrate to Israel" (October 2000). / The religious authorities cast doubt at their Jewishness according to Halachah.


17. "Mussa;Iakimiyan and the Jews of Nahavand" (December 2000).

18. "Jews of Iran in the mid-twentieth century". Series of nine articles [about 60 pages] from January 2001 until August 2001. These articles treat the status of the Jews in the following cities: Urmiyeh/Rezaiyeh, Mahabad, Miyandoab (January 2001); Bijar, Saqqez, Sanandaj, Sardasht (March 2001); Golpaygan, Malayer, Khunsar, Khomein, Aligudarz, again about Ayatollah Borujerdi (April 2001); Kermanshah, Tuyserkan, again about Khunsar (May 2001); Babol, Bushehr, Rafsanjan, Ahvaz, Abadan (June 2001); Shiraz (July 2001); Kashan (August 2001).


20. "Iranian Characters" (December 2000). / Jews of Iran and Iranians characterized by European travelers. See also G 16 in Part AI.

21. "Jews of Iran in 19th-20th centuries reported by travelers and etc. (Series of 25 articles [about 150 pages] from January 2002 until April 2004 - three of them grouped in A23 below). These articles treat the status of the Jews in the following cities: Baneh, Saqqez, Savoj-BoHigh, Tazeh-Qal'eh, Urmiyeh, Salmas (January 2002); Bash-Qal'eh, Miyandoab, Garrus, Seneh, Qaslan (February 2002); Hamadan (May and June 2002); Tuyserkan, Nahavand, Kermanshah, [Sar-e Pol-e] Zehab, as well as short references to the following: Shiraz, Isfahan, Kashan, Teheran, Mazandaran (Babon etc. (July 2002); Barforush, Siyahkal (August 2002); Teheran, Damavand (September 2002); Kashan, Qomm (October 2002); Bushehr, Kazrun, Shiraz (November 2002); Mashhad (December 2002-January 2003); Torbat Heydariyeh, Saraks (January 2003); Yazd (February-April 2003); Isfahan (May 2003); Arak (June, August-September 2003); Khorraramabad (October-November 2003); Again about Siyahkal and neighboring villages (December 2003-January 2004).


B. Jews and Judaism

1. "Zoroaster and Judaism" (September 2000). / What has been written about the subject in different Persian sources.
   / An answer to Shoja' al-Din Shafa's argument in his book T avallodi digar.
   See also D90 in Part I.
C. Community Affairs
   Series of 15 articles (about 100 pages) on the Jewish communities of the above countries published from May 1992 until August 1993.
2. New York Iranian Jews of Maccabee Foundation helping the Iranian students in Israel through the present writer (February 2000). See also Shofar, May 1993.
   D. Book Reviews
1. A word about Journalism and Shofar Magazine (January 1993).
E. Biographies (See also below F. Obituaries)
1. "Rasht or Teheran": Corrections to my biography written by other in Shofar of October 1994. For the corrections see December 1994.
3. In article 10 (April 2000; above A 12) one may find short biographies of Rabbi Yedidia Shofet, Rabbi Uri'el Davidi, Shamsi Ilekmat, Malieheh Kashfi, Ebrahim Moreh and Yousef Cohen. The article 11 (May 2000; above A12) is mainly dedicated to Rabbi Yossef Or-Sharga.
4. "Mussa I:lakimiyan and the Jews of Nahavand" (December 2000; see above A 17).
5. Autobiography: The Queen Farah and the Prince Reza Pahlavi heads of Mihan Foundation honoring the present writer for his contributions to Persian culture (New York, April 16, 2001).
7. Haim Moreh (see above C5, 023, 67, H18 in Part I).
8. Shemu'ell;laim (see above B7, H17 in Part I, A1 in Part II).
9. Solayman I;laim (see above H 19 in Part I).
ID. Ezra Zion Melammed (see above D78 in Part I).
11. I;linanina Mizral;l (see above D87 in Part I).
F. Obituaries

1. In memory of Ebrahim Eshaghian (August 1996). He was an Iranian Jewish philanthropist who donated more than one million dollars to Yeshiva University for medical research and for scholarships to needy students.

G. Miscellaneous Subjects

2. "Qazvin Project" concerning Israeli experts developing the area affected by earthquake in 1962 (April 1999).
3. "Seyyed Ziya al-Din [the former Prime Minister of Iran] and the Independence of Israel" (May 1999).
4. "Science and Faith" (July 2000) Two different entities which complement each other.
5. "Isfahan and Its People" (series of 10+ articles [about 60+ pages] from July 2004 to May 2005). They are about the Kings, Governors, Jews, Zoroastrians, Armenians as well as a general view of Isfahan's history reported by European travelers beginning 16th century.
Part AI

Articles in Jewish-Persian Magazine
Iranian Jewish Chronicle: Chashm-Andaaz
Edited by Dariush Fakheri, Los Angeles

A. Jews of Iran
1. Interview with the present writer (September 1992). / Ends and intentions, opinions
   and aspirations.
2. "Johud or Yahudi" in Iran and Persian Literature (December 1992). See also A2 in Part
   A.
3. "Iranian Jewish or Jewish Iranian" (February 1993).
4. "Iran, Iranian and Aryans" (February 1993).
5. "We are Iranians!" (February 1993).
6. "Nazism and Persian Speaking Jews in France" (March-April 1993). / They were
   rescued by Abdol-Hosein Sardari, Charge d'affaires of Iranian Embassy in Paris.
7. "Judeo-Persian Studies" (July 1993).
8. "Researches and Studies Regarding the Jews of Iran" (July 1993).
10. "Esrail or 'Isra'el" (November 1994). / Hebrew and Jewish words and terms adopted
    by Iranian Jews.
11. "~adeq Chubak" The contemporary great novelist and his anti-Semitic remarks (March
    1995). See also D42 in Part I; A 16, Part AI.
12. "Ma va Shoma" (April 1995)./"We and You": It is about Judeo-Iranian interactions / my
    aid to the victims of the earthquake which devastated the city of Tabas in
    September 1978.
    Los Angeles and the qualities required to take part in conferences.
15. "Dr. Ral].im Cohen and his Weekly '{sr(i'eZ" (July 1996). See also below E6 in this
    part, and F3 in Part I.
16. "Holocaust and the Jews of Iran" (April-May 1997). / Anti-Semitism in Iran. See also
    above 11, and 042 in Part I.
19. "'Ali, I;Iasan and Other Names" (February-March 1998). / NonJewish Iranian and
    Muslim names among Jews and Persian Jews.
    article dedicated to Shamsi 1;Iekmat 1917-1997. She was one of the founders
    of the Iranian Jewish Women Organization in Iran (947).
22. "Remembering the Honorable Great Muslims of Iran: Baha' alOin 'Ameli and
    Mol}.sen Feit of Kashan" (February-March 2000)./ Based on Baha'i b. Lotf's
    Chronicle.
23. "The Term Kalimi and its Connotations" (July 2001). / Why jews of Iran are called
    Kalimi. It is based on oral and written sources, especially Shahin.
24. "Mirza Kuchek Khan and the Jews of Rasht" (June and July 2004). / Series of wo
    articles about the political leader of the "Jungle Movement", his sympathy for the
    Jews and the story of his house purchased by an Isfahani Jew where the present
writer was born. Mirza died in 1921 and his house became now a historical monument.

B. Jews and Judaism

1. "Khoda ya Khod-a" (God or G-d) in Jewish and Judeo-Persian literature (December 1992).
5. "Pardes ya Behesht" (March 1994).
9. "Knowing the Essence of Ood" (October 1994).
10. Ood as Perceived in Monotheistic Religions (October 1994).
15. "Statue of Cyrus the Great" (October-November 1996). / Proposing to erect his statue in Haifa coast.
16. "Isaiah" (December 1996-January 1997). / Two or three prophets of the same name.
17. "Torah and the Computer" (December 1996-January 1997). / Is it possible to foresee the events through programmed Torah?
18. "Zoroaster and Abraham" (October- November 1998).
20. "Kipa" (December 2002). / The significance and the history of yarmulke and head cover in general.

C. Community Affairs

5. "Ijarha-ye Kharej Az Mowzu" (July 1994). / "Irrelevant Talks":
   Regarding my review of Sarshar's book mentioned below 01.
6. "Ezdevlij" (September 1994). / "Marriage" became a problematic issue among the Persian Jews in the US.
7. "Riyasat" (December 1996-January 1997). / "Chairmanship": How and why people fight to be chairman!
8. "Tanz" (October-November 1998). / "Satire": It is about different Jewish groups in Los Angeles.

10. "Man Kardam" (April-May 1999). / "I did it!": Some community leaders who claim to have done something that they have not done!

12. "The Problem of Microphone in Synagogues" (November-December 2000). My interview with Rabbi 'Ovadia Yosef convincing him to allow the use of microphone in Sabbath in Iranian Orthodox synagogues in the US.

13. "Magazine of Iranian Jewish Women" (January-February 2001). / There is a need for such magazine.


15. "More About the Seminar on Acculturation held in Los Angeles" (September-October 2002).

16. "Our Physicians" (November 2002). / A Foundation should be established to take care of unemployed Iranian Physicians in the US.

17. "Ba Sar 0 seda ..." (August 2004). / "Making Noise or Remaining Silent": Concerning disputes among the Iranian Jews in the US as to how and what to do in order to rescue the 13 Jews who were arrested and tried in Shiraz.

D. Book Reviews


5. "Iaver David" (Comrade David). Aharon Cohen, Qol Qore' vaElekh _ (A Voice calling me _ ), Tel Aviv 2000. Reviewed in two articles September 2001 and December 2001 issue. / His biography is included. See also below E14 Part AI.

E. Biographies


2. "Wilhelm Bacher" (July 1995).


6. "Dr. Ral;1im Cohen and his Weekly 'Isra'el" (July 1996). See also above F3 in Part I, and A 15 in Part AI.

7. "Remembering Friends" (February-March 1997). / Autobiography:

Autobiography.


11. "Biographies" (February-March 1999). / My biography in Dr. Mika'il's book and in other publications.

12. "Armen Minasiyan" (October-November 1999). / Autobiography: An Armenian pharmacist in Rasht who was good to our family and to all inhabitants of the city.


14. Aharon Cohen / l'aver David (see above D5).

15. "Remembering Good Human Beings" (July 2002). / Autobiography: Borrowing a suit to participate in a festival in order to receive the first degree award of the sixth grade of elementary schools in Rasht.


18. "In Memory of Siyon Rokni" (January 2003). / His biography as well as mine when we worked together to found an organization (1955) to help the Iranian immigrants coming to Israel. See below F3.

F. Obituaries

1. "Rabbi Doctor Shlomo Dayyan" (August-September 1999).


3. "In Memory of Siyon Rokni" (January 2003). / His biography as well as mine. Foundation of Iranian Jewish Organization in Tel Aviv (1955) and other mutual and social activities (see above E18).


G. Miscellaneous Subjects


2. Intellectual Integrity (January 1994).


4. "Persian Script and Orthography" (June 1994).

5. "Capital Punishment" should be condemned (March 1995).

6. "We and the Festivals on 2500 Years" of "Kingship" held in Iran in 1971 (October/November 1995). / Jewish involvement and participation in the festivals.

7. "Mongols Invasion of Iran" (March-April 1996) I The truth about the accounts written by historians.

8. "History of Iran should be Rewritten" (August-September 1996). I An answer to Faryar Nikbakht referring to the article
"Mongols Invasion of Iran" (see above G7) and "Mongols Invasion [of Iran] and the Holocaust" (see above B13).

9. "Donating Parts of Body" (February-March 1997) / It is essential and divine to save the life of others.
   A. "Democracy and Elections" (August-September 1998).
13. "Democracy and Science" (August-September 1998) / These are two different things.
14. "Basyuni and the Aggadah of pesal;1" (October-November 1998)/ The Egyptian Ambassador's speech about the events of Exodus.
15. "In Hope of Peace" in the Middle East (August-September 2001).
19. "A Model of Human Being" (August 2002). / About Prof. Seyyed Farrokh Safavi of Teheran who undertook to help the needy Jews in remote cities of Iran.
20. "'ala 'uhdati al-ravi" (September-October 2004). / "The Responsibility falls upon the Narrator": Mr. Bar-Osher of Jerusalem claims that he is the one who rescued the 13 arrested Jews in Shiraz. The last ones were released in February 2003.
21. "Let us not forget our young Jewish Iranian fellows" (September-October 2004). / The list of 11 names of young Jews who planned to cross the border to escape from Iran and nothing is known about them.
22. "The Padyavand Society of Thinkers" (September-October 2004)./ Non-political Judea-Muslim thinkers of Iran adapted the name Padyavand for their association in Teheran. It is a welcome interactive beginning and appropriate approach to understand each other.

Part IV

Articles in other Publications

1. "Ranj-e Ensanha ya Do Nameh," (The suffering of human beings:
   Two letters) in: Nisan edited by Shemu'el Anvar (Teheran July 1950) / About the miserable life of the Jews in Teheran's Ghetto. (P)
   Likewise the present writer published more than 50 articles in two Jewish Iranian periodicals: ha'Oleh and Setareh-ye Sharq, Tel-Aviv 1955-1962. Most of these articles speak about the lives and activities of the Iranian Jewish community in Israel.
3. "Rabbi Shofet," in; Tribute to Rabbi Y edidia Shofet, Los Angeles:
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Iranian Jewish Cultural Organization of California 1992. (P+Eng)


8. "Introduction," Helping the Hebrew University, in: Tribute to Mr. and Mrs. Massood Haroonian by Ohr Ha-Emet Institute, Los Angeles: Iranian Jewish Cultural Organization of California 2000. (P+Eng)


Part V

Video and Audio Recorded Lectures and Interviews

Note: There are several video tapes of my lectures on Persian Jewry. Some of these recorded lectures and interviews are explained below. There are also audio tapes of lectures on Persian music accompanied by performance on violin which have been recorded in the fifth and sixth decade of 20th century. Also, since 1979 I have been interviewed by the Persian Section of the Voice of Israel in Jerusalem. These interviews on the Jews of Iran and Irano-Jewish interactions during ages have been broadcast, sometimes more than once, and their tapes and CDs are being preserved in the archive of the above section in Jerusalem.

A. Video Tapes

1. Jewish Tradition in Iran, recorded in Jerusalem in April 1972 and preserved in Voice of Israel Broadcasting Service.

3. Jews of Mashhad, a partially documented film showing the Jewish quarter in Mashhad, recorded by Uri CohenAharonov in Jerusalem in 1989 and preserved in Voice of Israel Broadcasting Service.

4. Socio-cultural history of Persian Jewry, recorded in Jerusalem in (?) and preserved in Voice of Israel Broadcasting Service.

5. Iranian music and the Maestro Morteza Ney-Davoud, recorded in Los Angeles in September 1984 and preserved in the Archive of Iranian Jewish Cultural Organization of California, Los Angeles.

6. Several interviews including my six-hour interviews with Rabbi Yedidia Shofet recorded in Los Angeles from 1984 on and preserved in Jam Jam Television in Los Angeles.

B. Audio Tapes

1. Lectures on Classical Persian Music accompanied by violin performance, recorded by Prof. Edith Gerson-Kiwi in Jerusalem during the academic year 1956/56. The tapes are preserved in the Archive of the Department of Musicology in the National and University Library in Jerusalem. See also Edith Gerson-Kiwi, The Persian Doctrine of Dastgah Composition: A Phenomenological Study in the Musical Modes, Tel-Aviv 1963. See also Part I, D36.

2. All 12 Persian Dastgah performed on violin, recorded in New York in 1964/65, by Johanna Spector, Professor of Ethno-

3. Twenty-Three lectures on the literature of the Jews of Iran (recorded and broadcast once a week in 1979-1980). A short version of this subject have been broadcast in Radio France Internationale: Section Persane in 2003.

4. Thirty-Five talks on the history of the Jews of Iran (recorded and broadcast once a week in 1998).

5. Forty-Three talks on Irano-Jewish relations since the Assyrian captivity, 722BC (recorded and broadcast once a week in 2001).

6. Eighteen talks on Jewish Holy Places in Iran (recorded and broadcast once a week in 2004).

Part VI

Forthcoming Books and Articles


2. A Critical edition of Shahin’s *Ardashirnameh* based on all available mss. In preparation to be published with the generous help of The Lord David Alliance Family Foundation.

3. A Critical edition of Shahin’s *Bereshitnameh* and *Musanameh* based on all available mss.


8. "An Introduction to Iranian Jewry and Its Culture:' in Jews of Iran, to be published by Ben-Zvi Institute, Jerusalem.
16. Shemu'el Haim's Biography, based on oral history and all available documents.