

Islam in Tatarstan in 1940-1980-IES: Conditions of existence and survival

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Abstract

© Serials Publications. The research is relevant due to the strengthening of the role of the Islamic factor in social, cultural and political processes of contemporary Russian society. In this connection some of the causes of this phenomenon are connected to the Soviet atheistic past and require a careful study. The aim of the paper is to study forms and methods of preservation and succession of Muslim traditions and values in Tatarstan under the conditions of domination of atheistic ideology. The leading approach to the study of this issue has become a civilizational approach which allowed a comprehensive consideration of the object of research. The main results of the study are as follows: we identified forms and methods of functioning of official Muslim religious associations in Tatarstan in 1940- 1980. The methods of adaptation of Muslims to the harsh conditions of atheistic environment were studied. The article can be useful in preparation of educational literature on the relevant topics as well as in practical activity of state institutions implementing policies in the spiritual sphere.

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