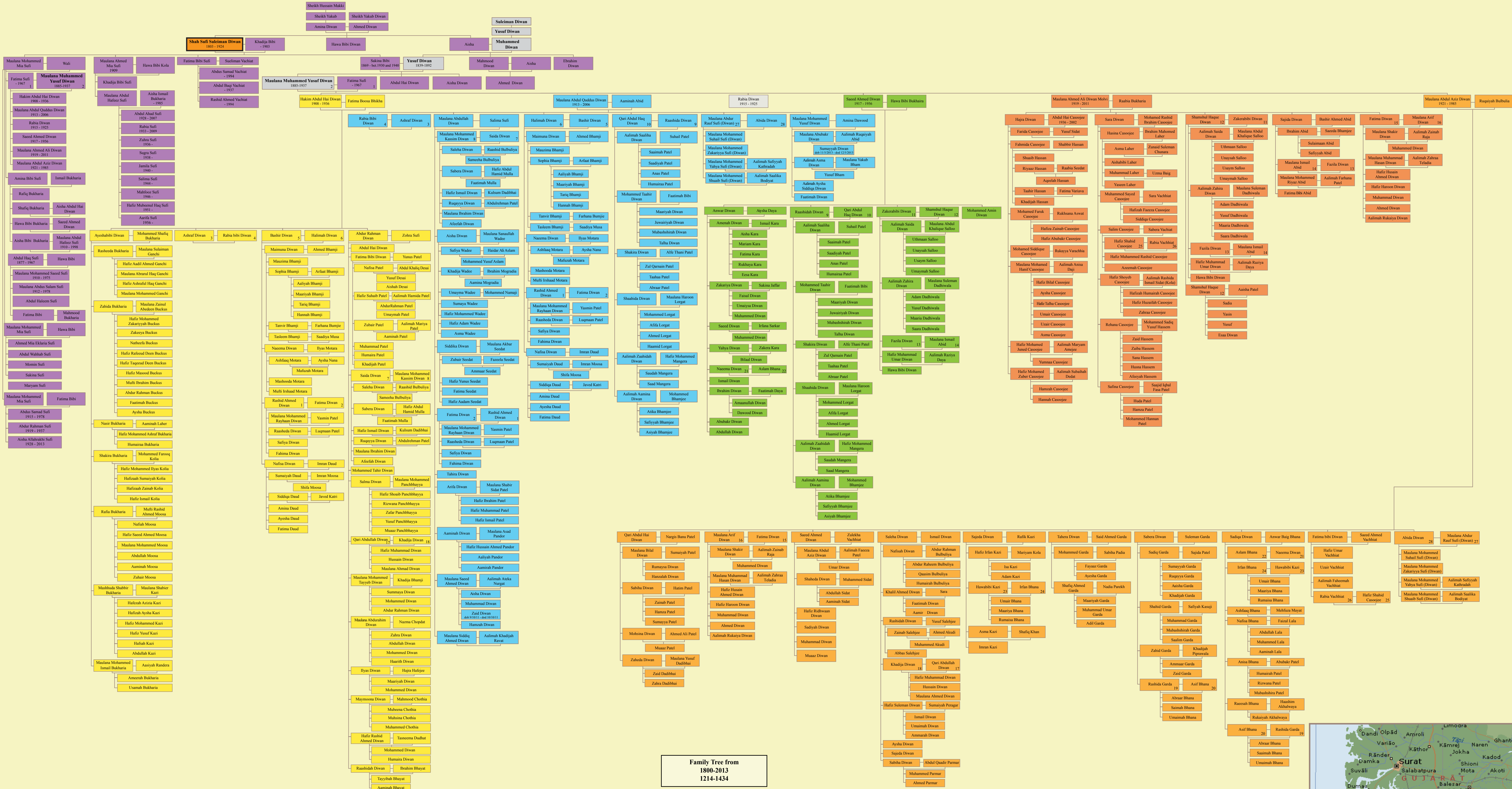


DIWAN FAMILY TREE



BIOGRAPHY OF MOULANA MUHAMMAD YUSUF DIWAN

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BIRTH - He was born in Lajpur in 1885-1302. As he was very young when his father passed away, he grew up in the household of his grandfather Hazrat Saifi Sahab (ra). Therefore, from childhood his upbringing was in the environment of piety and taqwa, zaharat, salaat and saum. **EDUCATION AND TEACHING** - He began his Islamic education of Quran and Urdu in the Madrasah Islamiyyah, Lajpur. Completed his education 1906-1925.

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ADVICE AND TESTAMENT
(Hazrat Saifi Sahab (RA) wrote this advice and testament for his children and family on Thursday 2nd Shawwal, 1331 AH (1913).

Bismillahir Rahmanir Raheem
All praise and eulogies is worthy of Allah alone, who alone is Pure and Eternal. Hundreds and thousands of Du'aa and Salaat be upon our beloved Prophet and Messenger of Allah, Muhammad Mustafa (Sallallahu Alayhi wa sallam). May Allah Taala show His mercies on him infinitely, and bless his family and companions and all pious people.

This has allowed me to covet nothing from people. I have sincere love for all the people near and far, for the sake of Allah alone. Therefore, I advise you all, too, to always stay with piety, forbearance and taqwa, and abstain from all acts which are against religion and incur the displeasure of Allah and His Messenger. Allah is in his book, "And whoever fears Allah, He will take out a path for him, and grant him sustenance from where he had not reckoned." "And true respect is for Allah and His Messenger and the Believers". The success of both the worlds depends on them.

5) perform every deed with sincerity and for the sake of Allah's pleasure.
6) Never follow the will of the creation when it incurs the displeasure of the Creator.
7) Do not crave high positions or official jobs.
8) Always keep the company of the pious and the people of good advice, as this is one of increasing sin and evildoing.
9) Do not take responsibility of something or someone, that will tie you up in courts or civic cases.
10) Always approach the religious scholars and students, the good and pious, humbly and with respect. It is a source of reward in both worlds.
11) Always perform your five times prayers with Jamaat.
12) There is no greater work than the acquiring of knowledge.
13) There is no greater work than the acquiring and knowledge.
14) Life is a test. To fritter it away in the acquire and petty luxuries of this world is a great loss, and harmful in both worlds.

13) Abstain from all major sins like adultery, stealing etc. as these mire you in sin and wipe out good deeds.
14) Always fulfill the rights of people. Be specially open in your dealings with all people.
15) Always keep the heart safe from evil thoughts and intentions. It is the receipt of Allah's Noor. Always save yourselves from these five temptations: pride, for pride and majesty is for Allah alone; haughtiness; malice; ill will and jealousy.
16) Keep close to these ten virtues: patience, taqwa, knowledge, tolerance, gratefulness, faithfulness, humility and humbleness, good manners and character and the Quran. Loyalty and fulfilling of promises bring between in both the worlds.
17) The five pillars of Islam are our capital, of which Taqwa is fundamental and the basis of everything. And do not slack in performing these two Rukus, which encapsulate the path to succour and success.

One is "QAD AFLAHAL MU'MINOON" (23:1) and the other is "WA IBAADUR RAHIMAN." (25:63). One should read these two Rukus everyday and bring them into practice.
A person's base self and the shaytan are the two great enemies of man. Seek Allah's refuge from both of them.
The Prophet's character is the greatest ideology and the whole Quran is his sublime character. All effort should be made to copy it. You should have full faith in the Allah is aware of His creations' every act and deed at all times. One must have full faith that he will return to Him, and so live with Haya and modesty at all times.
Respect is a great virtue. One should have full respect for Allah and His Messenger (saw), his prophets and their families and companions, the scholars of religion, the saints and pious, and your spiritual mentors and your parents.

Instil the habit of generosity and seek refuge of Allah from miserliness. The greatest deed is to think of one self as low and not cause displeasure to others.
Do not take to irreligious customs after my departure. There should be no wailing. Read the Janaza Salaat with a capable and pious Imam. Oh, my wish is that death was to be in Madinah, the city of the Prophet (saw). However, if it occurs here, then bury me near the mosque, where the azans can be heard always.
The Quran and Hadeeth are sufficient for practice. I entrust you to all the care and security of Allah. He alone is the best of protectors and custodians. Was salamu.
The rewards for the recitation of the Quran, Zikr, taseebah, Tahleel, Darood, reach the dead. Therefore, do this and convey the rewards to parents. This is continuous reward for them.

LAALAAHA ILLALLAAHU MUHAMMADUR RASOOLULLAH
Sallaallahu Taala Ala Khayri Khalqi Muhammadin Wa Aalihii Wa Saaibihii Ajaimeen.

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