

## Project Report

### **Publishing Shattariyah Sufi manuscripts of Western Sumatra: The Heritage of Sheikh ‘Abd al-Manaf Amin al-Khatib (1922-2006)**

The project dealt with publishing of one of the Islamic manuscripts on Jawi written in Western Sumatra (Minangkabau) by Sufi (Shattariyah) Sheikh Abd al-Manaf al-Khatib (1922-2006) from Batang Kabung. The main goal of the project was to honour the contribution of Sheikh al-Khatib to the development of the doctrine of Sufi brotherhood Shattariyah and to the tradition of Jawi manuscript writing on Sumatra as well as to the Sufi literature of Indonesia.

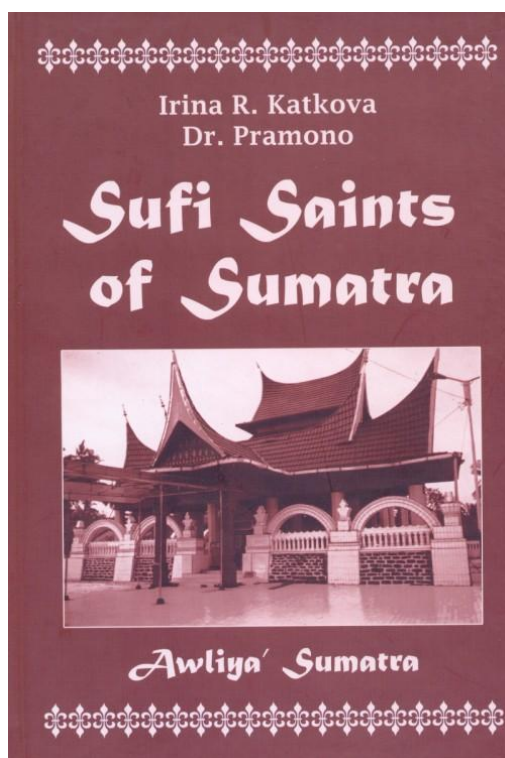
The work on this project was divided in three parts:

- 1) Preparing the text and photographic material during one month of field work in Western Sumatra
- 2) Research work related to preparing the survey and commentaries to the text
- 3) Publishing

The grant sum covered two items of project expenses:

1. Travel expenses to Indonesia (St. Petersburg–Jakarta-Padang-St Petersburg): £1,200; subsistence in Indonesia during one month and consultations: £1,000.
2. Total: £2,200 pounds sterling. Publishing costs: £2,800 pounds sterling

Total sum of grant: £5000 pounds sterling



As a result of this project a book was published: *Sufi Saints of Sumatra* (Awliya' Sumatra)

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The book contains a transliteration of one of the manuscripts written by Sheikh Abd al-Manaf al-Khatib (1922-2006) and titled *Sejarah Ringkas Auliyah Abdurrauf (Syekh Kuala). Pengembang Agama Islam di Aceh*. (Brief History of Auliyah Abdurrauf (Syaekh Kuala) The propagator of the Muslim Faith in Aceh).

The text narrates the biography of the legendary figure of Indonesian Islam of the 17<sup>th</sup> century, Abdurrauf as-Singkeli, his life and religious activity in Arabia, Egypt and Aceh (Northern Sumatra).

Number of issues: 500

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