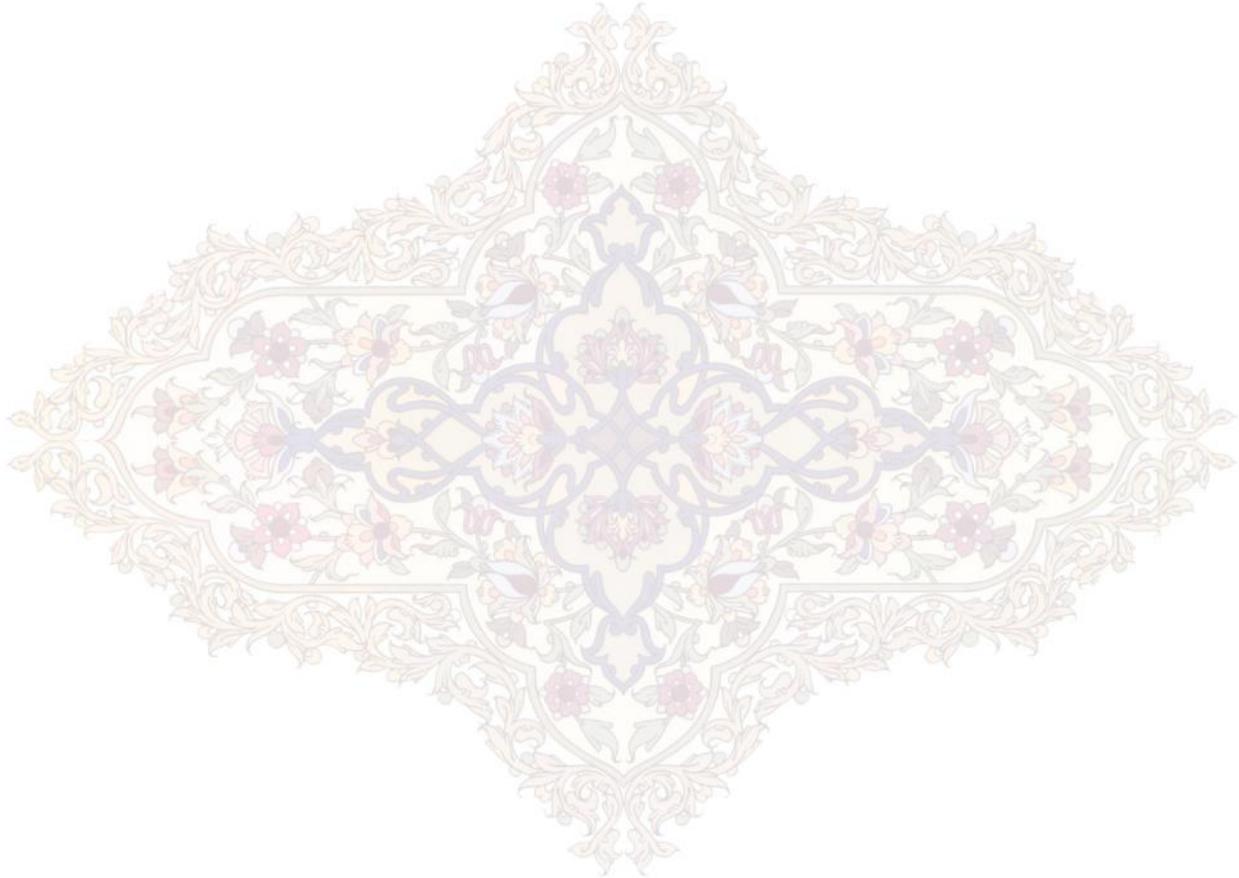




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# 1

## Iranian Women in Science and Education





- **The increasing proportion of women faculty members to more than 33.3%**
- **Women occupy over 34% of the faculty members in medical sciences**  
**Women occupy over 60% of teachers nationwide**
- **97% of age groups from 10 to 49 years have overcome illiteracy**
- **Lower literacy gap of 6.1% between men and women**
- **Lower literacy gap of 11% between urban and rural areas**
- **Eradication of gender-based gap in education at two primary and intermediate levels nationwide**
- **Women compose over 56% of university students nationwide**
- **Girls' enrollment growth rate at primary level by 115%**
- **Girls' enrollment growth rate at high school level by 84%**
- **48% increase of girls' students as compared to boys**
- **Increase in women's access to education in 784 technical and engineering fields**
- **around 588502 women occupy a total number of university admissions nationwide in 2022**
- **Women compose 24% of the inventors nationwide**

**The number of students and teachers by gender in the grades in the academic year 2021-2022**

		primary	intermediate	High school	Total
Students	boys	4340356	1830836	1406007	7577199
	girls	4103172	1709539	1359159	7171870
	total	8443528	3540375	2765166	14749069
Teachers	women	1533544	67194	81521	302259
	men	68774	60401	69148	198323
	total	222318	127595	150669	500582
Women principals	18863				

(Source : report of the ministry of education, November 2022)

**Rate of students' enrollment during the years 2017-2018 until 2019-2020**

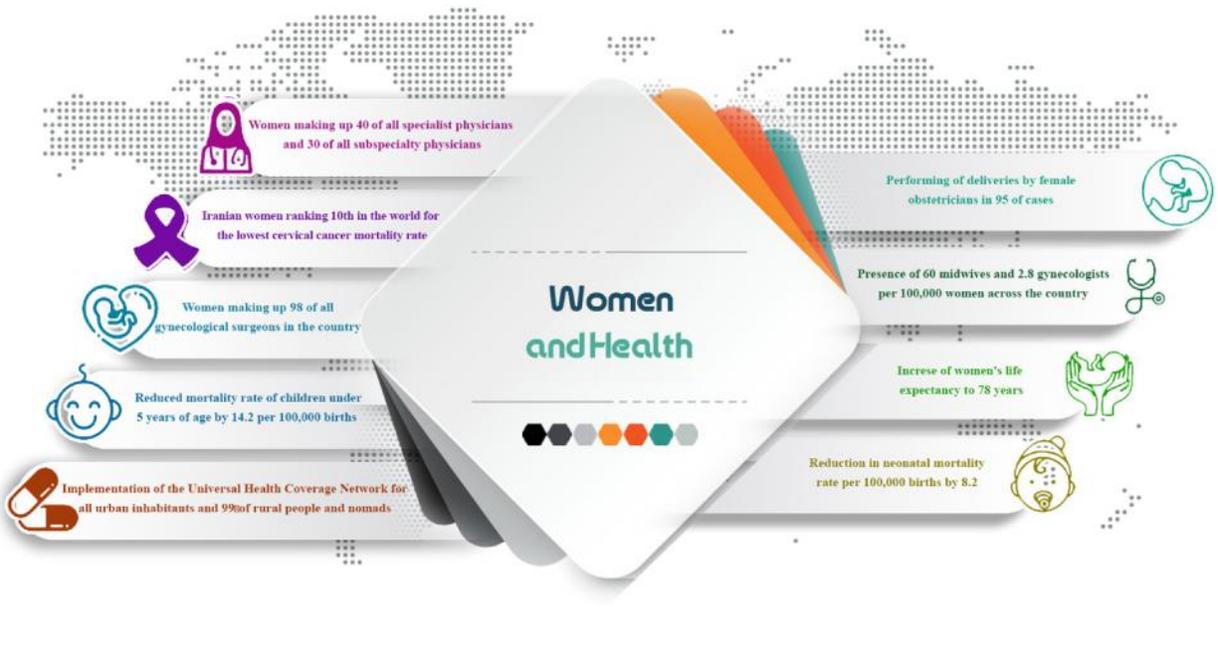
Education index	years	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
Rate of enrollment for girls' primary education		97.80	98.14	98.21	98.22
Total rate of enrollment for primary level		97.83	98.13	98.18	98.16

Source: report of ministry of education, November 2021

**Ratio of men and women inventors**

	Iranian inventors	inventors' worldwide
Men	76%	86%
Women	24%	14%

# 2 Iranian women in the field of health, hygiene and treatment





- **Iranian Women in Science and Education**
- **The increasing proportion of women faculty members to more than 33.3%**
- **To every 100 women nationwide there are 60 midwives and 2.8 gynecologists**
- **95% of all birth deliveries are taken place by women gynecologists**
- **The implementation of nationwide health coverage for 100 of the urban and 99% of rural areas**
- **Life expectancy has increased to 78 years of age**
- **Women engage 98% of gynecologists nationwide**
- **Women engage in 40% of medical specialists and 30 % of GPs**
- **Women occupy half of the medical staff**
- **Iran holds 10th rank in having the least rate of cervical cancer in the world**
- **Decrease in the maternal mortality rate to 16 per 100 thousand live births**
- **Decrease in the neonatal mortality rates to 8.2 per 100 thousand live births**
- **Decrease in mortality rate of children below the age of 5 to 14.2% per 100 thousand live births**
- **Full vaccination for 95% of children**
- **Around 90% of children up to first year, 80% to 1.5 and 40% to 2 years of age enjoy breastfeeding**

# 3 Iranian women and civil and social participation





- **Number of women martyrs:7393**
- **Number of war disabled women: 90170**
- **Number of women POW: 150**
- **Number of women NGOs: 2733 (social- cultural areas:63%, technical: 30%, charity work: 41%)**
- **Number of women cooperatives and the percentage of women members: 2000**
- **Number of charities for school development headed by women nationwide:6000**
- **Construction of 1330 charity schools by women**
- **Construction of sports clubs in the deprived areas by women:100**
- **An amount of 22.977.813.9530 Rials was dedicated to the women affected by the crisis in 2021**

**Women Baseej aid to women and families affected by the crisis2021**

Aid package	Hygiene products package	Warm meals	Bread	Cash	Meat	Dowry aid	Release of prisoners
8131077	3708823	5151210	969251	22977813953	9414	2806	151

(Source: Women Baseej society- 2021)

# 4 Iranian women and economic participation





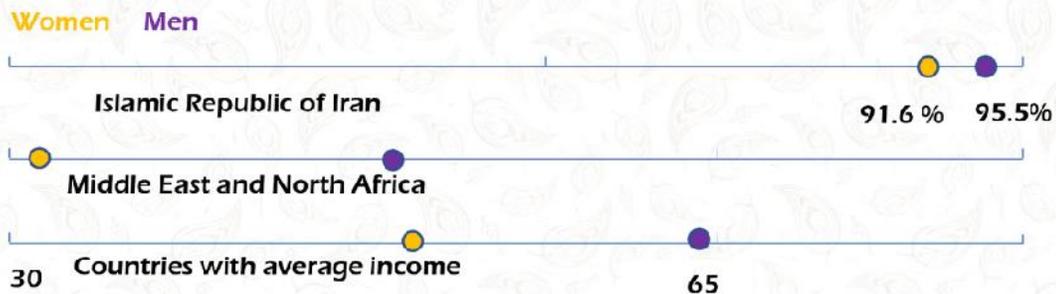
- **A number of 345 laboratories out of the total of 1424 laboratories of the national lab networking are directed by women (24%)**
- **A number of 20 companies are chaired by women in 13 entities out of 25 in the market and industrial sector (52%)**
- **904 women are managing directors of knowledge- based companies**
- **303 companies are chaired by women**
- **250 knowledge- based companies are established by women**
- **2390 women are members of board of directors for knowledge -based companies**
- **70 accelerator companies in various areas are chaired by women**
- **Women employers compose 1.2 of all women employees**  
**The number of women employers equal 32783**
- **Number of women cooperatives nationwide equal 5776**  
**Women of 15 years and above engage in over 13.3% of economic participation**
- **Rate of unemployment decline to 16%**  
**Women's employment share in the private sector in 2022 equals 75.5%**
- **Women's employment share in the public sector in 2022 equals 25.5%**
- **Women's employment share in the service sector in 2022 equals 57.5%**



- **Women's employment share in the industrial sector in 2022 equals 75.5%**
- **Women's employment share in the agricultural sector in 2022 equals 17.2%**
- **Plan to promote employment for rural and nomad women**
- **Implementation of national plan for family - oriented sustainable businesses in order to join job- seekers to job- owners and markets**
- **Allocating land to women machineries and increase in women's access to natural resources through women cooperatives equaling to 2000**
- **Sustainable business development through systematic microscale businesses for rural and nomad women based on the LNSIE model and creating 4200 micro scale funds**
- **Membership of over 60000 rural and nomad women in 2000 rural and nomad cooperatives**
- **Training of over 300000 rural and nomad women annually with the implementation of entrepreneurship promotion plans and sustainable business development with the aim of promoting sciences, engineering and technology training**
- **Social service insurance coverage for rural and nomad girls and women**
- **Social service insurance coverage for women housewives**
- **Social service insurance coverage for women-headed households**



- **Allocating 1% of the two - season budgets of the executive organizations in 2021 to women’s affairs in addition to allocation of budget to the vice - presidency for women and family affairs**
- **Graph on comparative access of women and men to bank accounts in at least one financial and monetary institutions (15 years and above)**



(Source: World Bank- 2022)

- **This table is one of the indexes of the world Bank for showing gender development**
- **Showing here is the financial capacity of women in comparison to women in other countries**

# 5 Iranian women in political, power and decision-making areas





- **Women compose 49% of voters in the presidency elections**
- **Women compose 49% of nominees in the sixth rounds of the elections for the Islamic Council in rural and urban areas**
- **Women compose over 11307 of nominees in the sixth rounds of the elections for the Islamic Council in rural and urban areas**
- **Over 1000 women work as judges**
- **Increase of women nominees by 2% in the sixth elections of the councils and 3% increase in the previous elections**
- **Women's active participation in parties and political groups (more than 5 thousand)**
- **Establishment of 7 special parties on women's affairs (15 women are members of the founding board of these parties)**

## Women in the power and decision - making areas

Name	position	Note
Vice-presidency	Executive branch	member of the government cabinet Vice-president For women and Family affairs
Commission on women and family affairs	Judiciary	An independent fraction for women at the Islamic Consultative Assembly
Women socio-cultural Council	Islamic revolution Supreme Council (Under supervision of the supreme leader)	Head of the council is elected through elections with representatives from every strategic bodies
Offices of women's affairs Designated in the ministries Chaired by director- generals or vice ministers	Executive	These offices are in every ministry
General offices of women's affairs Located in the provincial HQ	Executive	These offices
Women and Youth Committee	The Expediency Council	
Women research offices	Ministry of Science, Research and Technology	These offices that are located in universities and research centers dealing with women issues for training experts in various legislative and executive levels
Offices for women's employment	Ministry of labor and social affairs	services such as job seeking counselling, entrepreneurship and legal matters are offered
General Office of Women's social Affairs of the Judiciary power	Judiciary power	Various issues such as services, legal counselling, Women's issues, are taken cared of in these offices, there are over 30 offices in all the provinces
General office of women and human rights MFA	Ministry of foreign affairs	This office deals with human rights issues in Iran And international relations In cooperation with policymaking and research centers and NGOs
Women Affairs offices and advisors to Governors and general municipalities	Municipalities And provinces	These offices are active with the aim of developing and cultural promotion and improvement of women urban living situations across the country, cultural activities such as cultural centers are established some of them exclusively for women/girls



- **25.2 % of directors nationwide are women at all levels of high ranking, intermediate and executive directors**
- **A woman is the vice-president for women and family affairs**
- **More than 1000 women are working as judges**
- **227% increase in women nominees at the 11th round of parliament**
- **The rate of women's representatives in the parliament have increased 16.5times**
- **over 111 seats of the parliament have been occupied by women during the 11 rounds**

# **6** Iranian women in sports activities





- **Women athletes have won 3829 medals in various international events**
- **Women won 878 world medals since the beginning of the 13th government**
- **Women participated in 173 international sports events in 2021 and have won 1036 medals**
- **934589 women are engaged in professional sports activities**
- **85 women are active in international communities**
- **150384 women are engaged as sports trainers**
- **96998 women work as referees**
- **8965 women work as trainers in women gym clubs**
- **16111 women are working in women gym clubs**
- **51 women are active as chairs and vice - chairs of the sports federations**
- **70 women are working as chair of the board of directors at provincial levels**
- **97 seats are engaged by women in international sports federations**
- **Holding of 1876 training courses for women sports trainers in 2021**
- **Training 548 women referees in 2021**

# 7

## Iranian women in arts and media





- Over 23543 women are writers and 1051 work as publishers
- 435 women across the country run printshops and publication offices (153 women work in Tehran as the highest number)
- 181479 women are authors with work permit to printing books
- 2336 women are engaged as media editors
- 903 women are active as film makers
- 2000 women are working in professional backstage cinema activities
- during the past 5 years over 1708 women have received work permit as media editors
- Women's active participation in IT has increased by 31.5%
- Women filmmakers have won 114 national awards and 128 international awards
- Women filmmakers' participation in 45 international festivals as jury
- Increase in women's share in access to technology, information and communication
  - 26 million women have access to mobile phones (45% of total mobiles)
  - 14.5 million women have access to the computers (48% of total computers)
  - 18.7 million women have access to the internet (48% of total internet users)

■ **Index for issuing work permit and advertisement related activities**

no	Year	Number	Number of women directors	% of women directors
1	2012	800	316	39.5%
2	2013	842	340	40.38%
3	2014	889	364	40.95%
4	2015	968	404	41.73%
5	2015	846	339	40.07%
6	2017	1104	407	36.86%
7	2018	720	260	36.11%
8	2020	749	359	46.72%
9	2021	809	330	40.79%
10	2022	450	164	36.5%

(Source: minister of culture and Islamic Guidance)

■ **Work permits issued for digital- cultural unit run by women: (real and legal entities)**

- **Number of permits extended (real entities: 122)**
- **Number of permits extended (legal entities: 129)**

■ **Registering on -line media including sites, private page, channels and weblogs:**

Years	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022(1st six month)
Number of online media (women owners)	1342	940	1462	1500	840

(Source: Ministry of culture and Islamic Guidance)



- **Key measures undertaken in the area of IT**
- **Key measures**
  - Increase in the number of domestic and commercial internet users to more than 11 million people in 2021**
- **Fiberoptic distribution at national level and the increase by five times the internet speed in order to offer new VDSL internet services**
- **Easy access to mobile internets and increase by 13% to mobile internets in 2021**
- **(Currently there are over 132million mobile users registered in the country) Increase in the mobile internet speed from 4G to 5G**
- **Offer internet packages to professors, teachers, students during the pandemic in order to support online teaching**
- **Access of more than 47000 villages to land line telephones and mobile coverage in more than 95% of the main roads**  
**(Source: Ministry of IT)**



■ **IA software:**

Year	2021
Number of IA software	204

■ **Number of women in cinema management and other movie institutes:**

Managers of different cinema departments	No
Cinema managers	13
Technical service managers (filming, audio, visual equipment rental)	3
Cinematography production	8
Institute for display and distribution	2
Foreign movie display	2
Documentary institutes	48
Cinema training institutes	72
Total	148

(Source: Ministry of culture and Islamic Guidance)

■ **Women's participation in some cultural activities 2021**

Topic	No
Women authors	23543
Women publishers	1051
Women directors of advertisement companies	5457
Number of women filmmakers	903
Women winners of national art festivals	114
Women winners of national and international art festivals	128
Women's participation rate at IT	31.5%
Number of women filmmakers and actresses as members of the board of jury	45

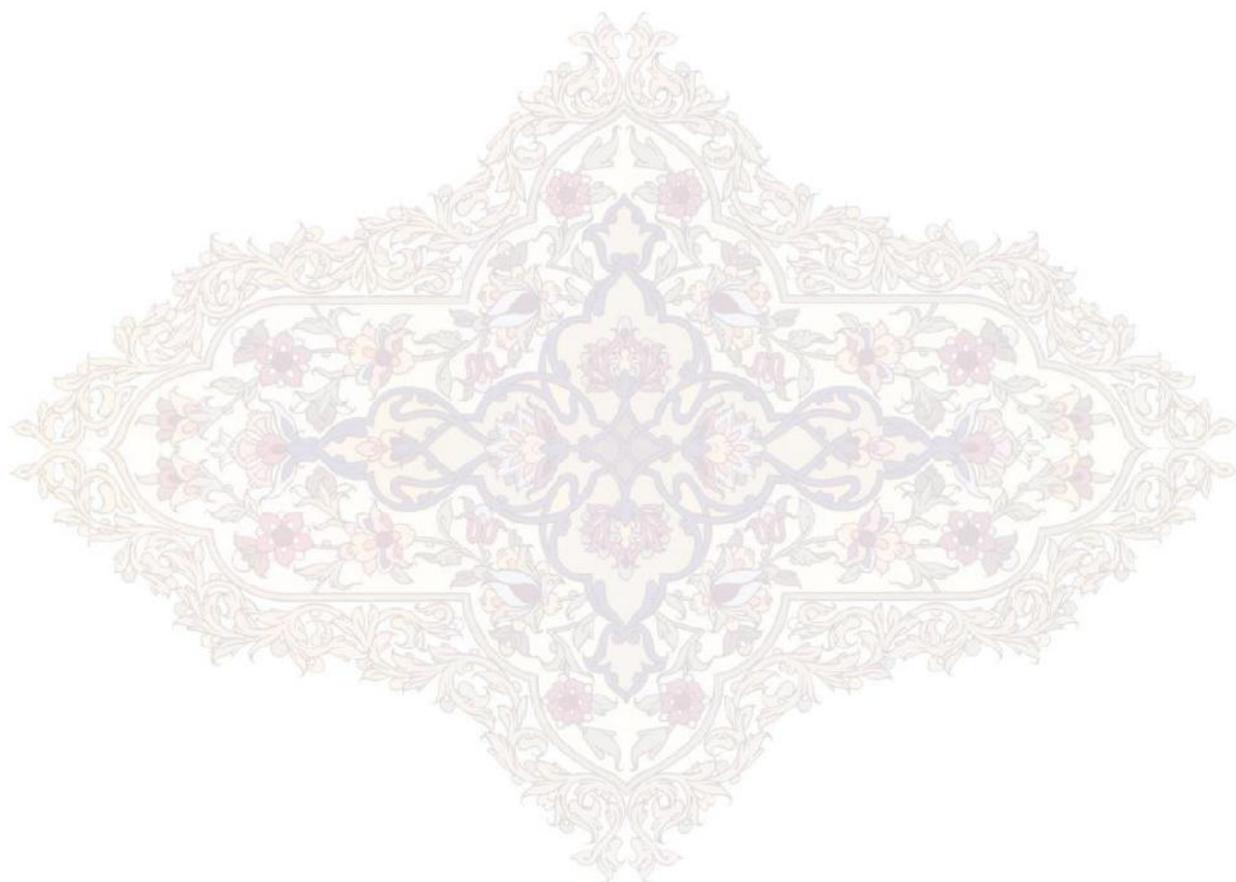
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## The role of Iranian women in Environment





- **Women held the position of president of the National environment organization 4 times**
- **Allocation of 1/4th of macro scale management positions in the areas of environment by women**
- **40 % of women held the position of vice - presidency in the National Environment Organization**
- **Implementation of the national plan for promoting and developing standard production and consumption of goods for rural and nomad women**
- **Providing 20166 shelters for temporary housing of women in earthquake-stricken areas in 2021**
- **Providing 21014 shelters for temporary housing of women in flood-stricken areas in 2021**
- **Providing monthly allowance for over 299120 women affected by climate change crisis in 2021**
- **Providing basic needs (water, food, clothing, blankets...) for over 20912 women in the earthquake - stricken areas in 2021**
- **Providing basic needs (water, food, clothing, blankets...) for over 117072 women in the flood -stricken areas in 2021**
- **Offering an amount of over 22.977.813.9530 Rials in the form of cash allowance to women affected by crises in the year 2021**

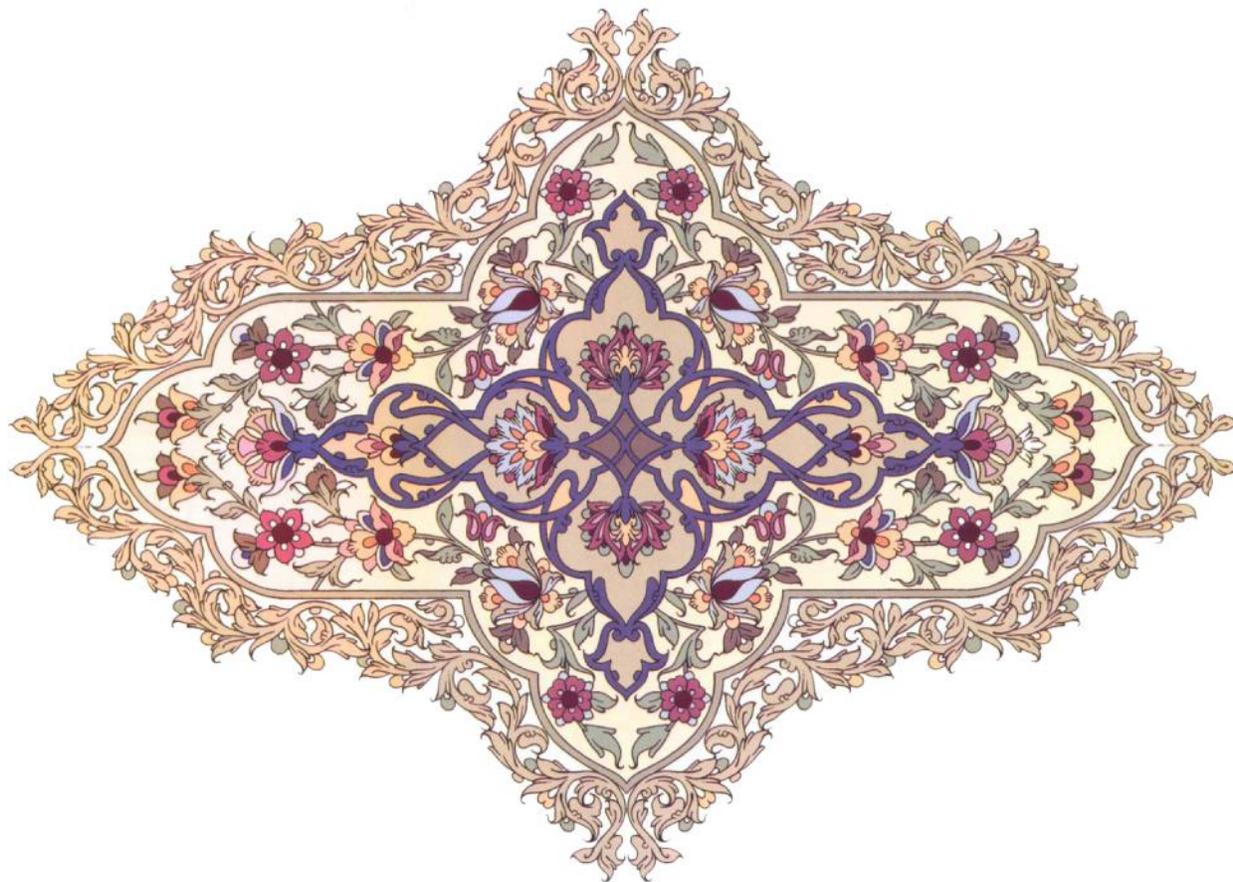


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