

House of the Kaaba apparel in Egypt
"Archaeological, Cultural and Architectural study"

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House of the Kaaba apparel is one of important evidences in district of El- Gammaliya, Old Cairo. It is a historic area of Islamic architecture, which displays a prominent position of Egypt in Islamic world. Egypt continued to send the Kaaba apparel since Omar Bin Khattab- may Allah be pleased with him- even to reign of the president Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Caliphs and sultans have competed to produce the finest clothing and sewn of all precious. In fact, despite of that house is great archaeological evidence; however it has not received sufficient attention of study and research.

Moreover, it is affiliated to the Egyptian Ministry of Religious Endowments till the end of 2013. It is entered into archaeological cultural facilities of the Supreme Council of Antiquities in 2014. Therefore, this topic caught my attention to highlight it by Archaeological, Cultural and Architectural study in order to highlight the historical and archaeological value of this House which has become a witness to the period of time when Egypt was a sovereign power in the Islamic world. The construction of House of the Kaaba apparel was completed at year 1233H/1816 A.D. Moreover, it is situated in El khouronfosh district, which follows El- Gammaliya district zone of Cairo, which is one of the most important neighborhoods of Cairo property.

It is noteworthy that Muhammad Ali Pasha ordered to construct that house for producing the Kaaba apparel.