Riyadh, 12 Jan. 1983: The Selection Committee of the 1983 King Faisal International Prize for Islamic Studies on the topic: “Studies on the Holy Quran”, has announced today that it has awarded the Prize to Dr. Mohammad A. Odaimah (Egypt).

Dr. Odaimah has been recognized for his mammoth 11-volume study of the style of the Holy Quran. The work is a comprehensive encyclopedia that has had a deep impact on the Quranic studies and grammar, moving it from limited examples and illustrations to the open horizons of the Holy Quran and its readings.

Through this study, Dr. Odaimah is able to demonstrate a powerful memory, honest resolve, organized thinking and great perseverance in the pursuit of research. This study achieves its objectives as set by King Faisal International Prize regime. These objectives include:

1. Serving Islam and Muslims in intellectual, scientific and practical terms.
2. Realizing public benefits to Muslims, presently and in future, and guiding them to participate in all fields of human civilization.
3. Participating in the advancement of humanity and enriching human thought.
4. Rooting Islamic precepts and values in the social life and revealing them to the rest of the world.

Finally, the Selection Committee has decided that the 1984 prize shall be dedicated to “Studies on general theories of Islamic jurisprudence”.