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HIDAYAH (هِدَايَةٌ). *Lit.* "Guidance." The title of a well known book on Sunni law, and frequently quoted in this Dictionary of Islam. There are many Muhammadan works entitled *al-Hidayah*, but this is called *Hidayah fil-furu'*, or "a guidance in particular points." It was composed by the Shaikh Burhanu 'd-din 'Ali, who was born at Mrghinan in Transoxania, about A.H. 530 (A.D. 1135), and died A.H. 593.