



# ANJOMAN-E TABLIĠĀT-E ESLAMĪ

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**ANJOMAN-E TABLIĠĀT-E ESLAMĪ** (The Society of Islamic Propagation), an Islamic cultural and educational society established in 1941 by ‘Aṭā’allāh Šehābpūr. In addition to organizing lectures and assemblies for religious festivals, from 1324 Š./1945 on it published occasional pamphlets and a yearbook, *Nūr-e dāneš*, all of which mainly addressed the congruity of Islam with rationality and science, the shortcomings of modern civilization, and Islamic activities abroad, especially in Europe and America. The most active branch of the society was that established in Mašhad, where Šehābpūr resided and members collaborated with the shrine administration in organizing lecture meetings attended by local dignitaries. The society appears to have engaged in no oppositional activities and even to have sought the aid of SAVAK in proselytizing among the Baha’is (see a document to this effect, dated 27 Ābān 1351 Š./18 November 1972, in *Mojāhed* 1/84, 19 Ḵordād 1359 Š./9 June 1980). With the rise of Islamic militancy during the 1970s, the society’s influence, never considerable, sank to insignificance.