



BOLBOL, AŠRAF DAYRĪ

BOLBOL, MOLLĀ AŠRAF DAYRĪ (1093-1189/1682-1775-6), Persian poet of Kashmir. He is the author of the *Rezā-nāma*, the first versified account of the martyrdom of Imam Ḥosayn to appear in Kashmir (Ins. Srinagar Research Library). The *Rezā-nāma* is part of a *ḳamsa*, the four other parts of which, namely *Arzan te Heimal* (a local Hindu romance), *Hašt tamhīd*, *Mehr o māh*, and *Hašt asrār*, are lost. In his poetry, Bolbol eulogizes local saints and calls on Shi'ites and Sunnis to cease their intra-communal rivalries. His imagery is mainly drawn from nature and occasionally gives a fresh nuance to old tropes.

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