



BORZMEHR

BORZMEHR (Pahlavi, lit. “deep affection”) one of the priests (*mōbed*) and scribes who served Ƙosrow I (r. 531-79). Borzmehr was among those who opposed the succession of Hormoz and was thus, according to Ʀa‘ālebī (*Ĝorar*, p. 638), murdered during the reign of Hormoz IV (579-90). However according to Ferdowsī (*Šāh-nāma*, Moscow, VIII, pp. 319, 320; IX, p. 136), Borzmehr was able to escape Hormoz’s wrath to become vizier during the time of Ƙosrow Parvēz (r. 590-628). Ʀa‘ālebī’s report (*Ĝorar*, p. 590) that Borzmehr was the son of Sōkrā and that he enabled Qobād to escape from his brother Jāmāsp’s (r. 496-98) prison is likewise incorrect; the name of the son of Sōkrā, according to Ʀabari, Dīnavari, Mas‘ūdī, and the *Šāh-nāma*, was Zarmehr. “Borzmehr” may be a variant of “Bozorgmehr.”

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