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Friends. Some months ago I had shared the idea that acclaimed writer & translator Musharraf Ali Farooqi & I had to excavate, annotate & print in high quality a classic of world literature – Tilism-e-Hoshruba. I had also shared why this magical piece of work has tremendous 1/



literary, cultural & civilizational significance for us & why it needs to be made available in a much more authentic, approachable & attractive form. Together we, therefore, put together Project Hoshruba to take this forward. Project Hoshruba website now up. 2/



And here's the link: https://t.co/7eIXCrCI59

Out 1st target was to raise Rs. 3 Million through a group of select Friends of Hoshruba whom we approached based on our perception that they would not just be supportive of such a cause but that the cause 3/



would gain from support of such people not merely financially but in multifarious ways, given their acumen & achievements, public mindedness, the value they attach to literature, culture & the arts, & their commitment in general to noble causes.

I must confess that despite 4/



being confident we were simply overwhelmed by their positivity & generosity. All it took was just 1 short conversation. We're delighted & proud they have put their trust in this endeavor & will further guide & facilitate us to take Project Hoshruba to successful completion 5/



This is to happily announce successful completion of 1st phase of Project Hoshruba. Work started a few months ago & we aim to have the 1st set of publications in 2021. We will keep you posted on developments & the website shall also be updated accordingly.

For the moment we 6/



would like to share & individually thank all those who've been so forthcoming with their support.

Here's a list of Friends of Hoshruba
(alphabetical order)

Mr. Ali Almakky
Mr. Farid Alvie
Mr. Faisal Bari
Mr. Uzair Karamat Bhandari
Mr. Ali Madeeh Hashmi
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Going forward we're amenable to & appreciative of additional people who would be interested in becoming Friends of Hoshruba. We will also be very appreciative of smaller contributions & shall also seek some institutional contributions. 1/2 the sale proceeds of Hoshruba volumes 9/



will also be ploughed back into Hoshruba Project.

All details pertaining to Project Hoshruba including how does one become a Friend of Hoshruba & our contact details are on the website. https://t.co/7eIXCrCI59. 10/



Do please check it out even otherwise as it has some lovely texts on the remarkable phenomenon, which is Dastan literature, that exists in that equally remarkable language which is known as Urdu. And rejoice.

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