



**According to the vision document, AQR must become the foremost authority on the teachings, knowledge, and culture attributed to Imam Reza. The term «foremost authority» means having a superior and recognized position in one or more specific subjects due to quality, comprehensiveness, effectiveness, and serving as a model in addressing individual and social needs within operational domains. In the fourth clause of AQR's fundamental values, the use of research and technology to enhance organizational productivity is emphasized. Additionally, in the fifth clause of the overarching goals, producing high-quality and effective products and services is highlighted, while the sixth clause emphasizes the production of rich and up-to-date products, both of which necessitate comprehensive studies and research.**

#### ◆ **Scientific Efforts for Peace of Pilgrims**

Thanks to the Islamic Republic, AQR has become a complete model for everyone, offering a comprehensive range of research, educational, and welfare activities to all, especially to Shia Muslims. One of the most important missions of Imam Reza shrine is to effectively present religious teachings and texts using innovative promotional methods to convey knowledge and educational goals suited to the needs and levels of various groups of pilgrims, especially the youth. Accordingly, in recent years, numerous opinion polls and thematic research efforts by prominent experts and researchers have been conducted to facilitate pilgrims' visits to Imam Reza shrine.

#### ◆ **Serving in the Garb of Knowledge and Culture**

The longing of countless devotees and

admirers of monotheistic teachings is to serve at the luminous Imam Reza shrine and his pilgrims. Each year, many fellow citizens' requests to be honored with service at the shrine are received by AQR. Through proper planning and coordination, intellectuals and researchers can join the «Scientific Servitude» program, performing Islamic research, cultural and social investigations, and other scholarly services, thereby earning the title of 'Scientific Servant' of this sacred institution.

#### ◆ **Specialized Research and Innovation Team**

To create a creative, dynamic, and innovative environment centered on building a network and atlas of issues related to the shrine and pilgrimage, and under the guidance of the esteemed Custodian of Astan Quds Razavi, steps were taken to establish a specialized research and innovation team.

#### ◆ **Manifestation of High Scientific-Research Objectives**

AQR's Islamic Research Foundation was established on November 1984, to promote and disseminate Islamic culture. It was officially registered in Mashhad Company Registration Office on May 1985, and commenced its operations. Currently, it functions as a research institute approved by the Supreme Council of Cultural Revolution and the President, operating under the supervision of AQR's Cultural and Scientific Organization. The foundation conducts research through specialized groups in Quranic studies, Hadith studies, jurisprudence and principles, Islamic beliefs and teachings, Imam Reza's life and conduct, the Islamic Revolution and modern civilization, Islamic ethics and education, etc. The foundation has published over 15 million copies of books in 4,000 titles on various subjects including jurisprudence and principles, Quranic and

