

Different Phases of Literature in Northern Areas

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The paper begins with a brief introduction of Northern Areas of Pakistan followed by their brief history. These areas are a multilingual part due to being a mixture of different nations, religions and cultures. In almost all historical ages, different kinds of literary forms have been taking birth in the Northern areas. This paper discusses the formation of different languages and literary forms and works written in these languages. A brief survey of different phases of the history of literature has been made part of this study. This is followed by the passing mention of some prominent literary figures of the area. As religion has always been a dominant mode of life in these areas, the literature has also been greatly influenced by religious concepts and traditions. The languages that have substantial influence in the making of literature here have been discussed at length.

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