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Abstract

The history of Sub-Saharan Africa has become an important topic in Arabic academic studies, especially in recent decades. Many researchers have worked to record and study this history in a clear and organized way. This study looks at how Arab and Arabized scholars wrote about the history of Sub-Saharan Africa. It focuses mainly on books because they offer reliable information and have a stronger academic value. For this reason, the study does not include journal articles, research papers, or university theses, as they are fewer and sometimes limited in scope.

In this research, selected examples were collected and presented in tables. Special attention was given to the studies published in *Adab Al-Rafidayn Journal* at the University of Mosul. The study also reviewed a number of theses and dissertations from the College of Arts at the same university, which discussed different subjects related to African history.

Sub-Saharan Africa is an important area in world history. It includes rich human experiences and long-term cultural interactions. Great kingdoms and empires were established there, such as Ghana, Mali, and Songhai in the Western Sudan, and Kanem-Bornu in the Central Sudan. These states built active trade networks and played a major role in the spread of Islam. They also supported learning and religion and connected with other parts of the world through trans-Saharan trade routes.

Studying the history of this region is not only about politics or rulers. It also involves learning about society, economy, and how Islam and local cultures worked together to shape identity. For that reason, this field of study helps us understand the true place of Africa in human history and shows how it contributed to cultural and economic exchange between civilizations.

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