Who is the Yamani?

Question: Mr. Ahmed Alhasan, Heir and Envoy of Imam Al Mahdi (AS): Who is Al Yamani and is there any specific figuration that defines this personality and allows us to identify his character? Is he from Yemen? Is he an infallible such as he would not engage people in forgery and would not make them leave Truth, as that was mentioned in the narration of Imam Al Baqir (AS) "His Banner is a banner of faith and dedication, and its prohibited for any Muslim to turn away from him, and who ever turns away from him, then he's from the people of hell, because he calls to the truth and to the right path."

Answer by Imam Ahmed Alhasan (Al-Yamani) (PBUH):

In the name of Allah the Merciful, the Intensely Merciful,

First, it is necessary to know that Mecca is from Touhama, and that Touhama is from Yemen. Thus Mohammad (PBUH & His House Hold) and (the Holy Family of the Prophet (A.S)) are all "Yamanis" (they are from Yemen); Mohammad (PBUH & His House Hold) is "Yamani", Ali (A.S) is "Yamani", Imam Al Mahdi (A.S) is "Yamani", the twelve Mahdies are "Yamanis", and First Mahdi is also "Yamani".

And that was what the first working jurists knew (May God's mercy be upon them) "Now there hath succeeded them a later generation whom have ruined worship and have followed lusts. But they will meet deception." (Maryam: 59).

Also, Al-Majlissi (may God's mercy be upon him) in the book of Bihar Al-Anwar, named the speech of the progeny of Mohammed (PBUH & His House Hold) as the "Yamani wisdom." (Bihar Al-Anwar volume 1 p. 1).

That was also reported by the messenger of Allah (PBUH), as he named Abd Al-Mutalib (A.S) the sacred house the Yamani Ka'aba. (Bihar Al-Anwar. Volumes. 22,51,75).

Concerning the Features defining Al Yamani's personality, it was narrated by Al-Imam Al-Baqir (A.S) "There is no banner better than that of the banner of Yamani, it is the banner of faith and dedication, because he calls to your possessor, so if the Yamani comes out, selling weapons to people or any Muslim becomes prohibited, and if the Yamani appears, stand up to him, because he's banner is the banner of faith, and its prohibited for any Muslim to turn away from him, and who ever turns away from him, then he's from the people of hell, because he calls to the truth and to the right path." (Al-Ghaybah - Mohammad Ibn Ibrahim A' Noâmani p. 264).

In this account there is the following:

- First: "and its prohibited for any Muslim to turn away from him, and who ever turns away from him, then he's from the people of hell"...: and this means that Al Yamani has the row of a Divine Seignior, because no character can be a (hujjah) a successor from Allah before people to a point that if they turn away from him they will enter hell, even if they pray, fast .unless they are the successors of Allah on his earth and they are prophets, messengers, imams and Mahdis.
- Second: "because he calls to the truth and to the right path": And the call to the Truth and the Right path means that this person is never mistaken makes a mistake where it will engage people in wrong doings and he doesn't remove people from what's right.

Therefore, this person is an infallible and his infallibility is stated and written. And from that meaning, the limit to this character in his characteristics makes it useful for us to determine the character of the Yamani. Moreover, if one makes his own assumption to the meaning of this narration "because he calls to the truth and to the right path", then his making the words of the Imams (A.S) useless since there will be no limits or restriction to the character of the Yamani, and may Allah forbid people saying such a thing about our holy imams (A.S).

The result of what was discussed above exposed (in the first and second part) is that Al Yamani is one of the successors of Allah on his earth and his succession on earth has been written (stated) in a divine text. And it has also been proven by many narrations and many text irrefutable evidence that the successors of the prophet Mohammed (PBUH & His House Hold) are the 12 imams (A.S) and after them there are 12 Mahdis and that there is no infallible successor from Allah on this earth but them. And through them is the completion of grace, perfection of religion and that the celestial messages are sealed.

In addition, the 11 imams (A.S) have all been deceased and there only remains imam al Mahdi (A.S) and the 12 Mahdies (A.S). The Yamani calls to imam al Mahdi (A.S).

Therefore, the Yamani Must be the First of the Mahdis because the 11 Mahdies after him are from his progeny "They were descendants one of another. Allah is Hearer, Knower." (34 Al-Imran) they also come after the period of the appearance of imam al Mahdi (AS), indeed they arrive during the state of divine justice and what is known and is fixed is that first Mahdi will be there during the time of imam al Mahdi and he is the first believer in imam al Mahdi (A.S) when he first emerges. His aim is to provide the necessities for the emergence of imam al Mahdi as it was narrated in the will of prophet Mohammed (PBUH & His House Hold).

And from the characteristics of the Yamani become limited to the fact that the Yamani is the first Mahdi and he is from the 12 Middies.

Also, the accounts of the Holy Family of the Prophet (AS) describe first Mahdi and give, in detail, His Name, His Attributes and his Habitat. Indeed, his Name is Ahmed, his Nickname is Abdullah (Servant of God), i.e. Israel, and i.e. that people call him "Israelan" (a Jew).

And prophet Mohammed (PBUH & His House Hold) said: "my name is Ahmed and I am Abdullah (the servant of Allah), my name is Israel, and who ever ordered him has ordered me and whatever God said to Israel was meant to me." (Tafseer al Ayashi. Ch.1, pg. 44- Alburhan ch.1, pg95 - Albihar ch. 7, ph. 178) and the first Mahdi is the first from the 313, and he is from al-Basra, on his cheek is a mark and on his forehead is dandruff.

His body is similar to the body of Moses the son of Imran (A.S). Also on his back is the seal of prophethood and in Him the Will of the Prophet (A.S) is carried out, he is the most knowledgeable from all creation, after the imams, in the Qu'ran, Torah and the Bible.

Moreover, at the beginning of his appearance he will appear as a young man. The prophet Mohammed (PBUH & His House Hold) said: (...then he mentioned a young man and he said, "if you see him pay allegiance to him because he is the successor of the Mahdi). Bisharat Al' Islam p. 30.

"O Father of Al Hassan, bring me a inkwell and leaf," then he started dictating his will to ali "O Ali, there will be twelve Imams and after them there will be twelve Mahdi's. You, O Ali, are the first of the twelve Imams, and he dictated his will until he came to a position where he completed mentioning the 12 imams then he said: If the day of death comes to him (Al-Hassan), let him hand the will over to his son, Mohammed the Mandate of the Holy Family of Mohammad Peace be upon them all. These are the twelve Imams. Then there will be twelve Mahdi's after them. Then when the day of death comes to him, let him hand the will over to his son, the first of the close ones, he has three names, one like mine and my Father's: Abdollah (Servant of God), Ahmed and the third name is The Mahdi (the guided) and he is the first Believer."

(Bihar Al' anwar. Vol. 53 p. 147./ Al-Ghaybat At-Tossi p. 150./ Ghayat Almoram. Vol. 2 p.241).

Also narrated about Al-Sadik that he said: "From us there is (i.e. our progeny), after Al Qa'im (the envoy), Twelve Mahdis of the descent of the Imam Hussein (AS)." (Bihar Al' anwar. Vol. 53 p. 148. Alborhane. Vol. 3 p. 310. Alghayba Attossi p. 385).

Also from Imam Al-Sadik (AS), he said: "From us there is (i.e. our progeny), after Al Qa' Im (the resurrector), Eleven Mahdis of the descent of the Imam Hussein (A.S)" (Bihar Al' anwar. Vol. 53 p. 145).

And in this narration, the Qa'im is the first Mahdi and not imam Al-Mahdi (AS) because imam Al-Mahdi (A.S) has 12 Mahdies after him.

Al Baqir (A.S) said in the description of the First Mahdi: "He said: "It is he, whose pigment has a strike of red, hollow eyes, unlinked eyebrows, wide shoulders, dandruff in his head and a mark on his face. May Allah have mercy upon Moses." (The Occultation – Mohammed AlNomani, page 223)

Also about the Prince of Believers, Imam Ali (A.S) said in a long narration: (...The first one of them shall be from Basra and the last one from Ebdal.) Evangel of Islam, page 249, Beirut year 1999)

Also about Imam Al-Sadik (A.S) said in a long narration where he mentioned in it the followers of the Qaeim (A.S): ((...and from Al Basra...Ahmed...)) Bisharat al islam pg.148.

Also about Imam Al Baqir (A.S), he said: "The Qa'em (Riser) shall have two names; one is secreted while the other is announced. The one announced is Mohammad, while the one secreted is Ahmed". Kamal Al Din, part 2 page 653 item 57.

Ahmed is the name of the first Mahdi and Mohammed is the name of Imam Al Mahdi (A.S) as it has been clear from the will of prophet Mohammed (PBUH & His House Hold).

About imam al Baqir (A.S): "Allah Almighty has a treasure in Talkan, neither gold nor silver, twelve thousand in Khurasan. Their slogan is "Ahmed Ahmed" lead by a young man from Hashim's sons (ridden) by a blond mule, a red headband on him, as if I am looking at him across the Euphrates. So if you hear about that, rush to him, even if crawling on snow." (Montakhab AlAnwar Almodi'a, page 343. And Ahmed is the name of the First Mahdi).

In the book almalahim wal fitan by sayed bin tawos al hassany pg.27 (the prince of anger is not from this neither from that but he is a Khalifa Yamani).

Also in the book almalahim walfitan in pg.80 (they gather and look at who they pay allegiance to, and while they are like that, they will hear an unknown voice never said neither by a jinn nor by human "lend allegiance to - such person - by his name He is neither this nor of that but He is a Representative "Khalifa" Yamani.)

Also, Sheik Ali Al Korani mentioned in his book 'mojam ahadeeth Al Imam Al Mahdi (AS)' chp.1 pg.299. (the Mahdi is only from Quraysh, and that the divine succession is only within them, except that he has an origin in Al Yamane).

Since the first Mahdi is from the progeny of imam al Mahdi (A.S), it becomes essential that he has an "incomplete" family tree since the progeny of imam al Mahdi (A.S) are unknown. These attributes are the attributes of the victorious Yamani, and they are the attributes of the first Mahdi because they are indeed one person as it has been shown above.

If, however, you want more information, I will say, that AI Yamani is that which prepares the ground in period of holy emergence, He is from the three hundred and thirteen and gives the banner to IMAM ALMAHDI (A.S). Moreover, the First Mahdi is also present in period of Holy emergence and he is the first believer in Imam AI Mahdi (A.S) in the beginning of holy emergence and before the period of the holy rising. Therefore it becomes necessary that one of them becomes a "hujah" over the other, and since the imams and the Mahdies are all the "hujah" i.e. successors of allah before all creation and that the first Mahdi is from them, therefore he is a hujjah over the Yamani- if these to characters are only but one person.

Thus the first Mahdi would be leading the preparatory revolution, and the role of al Yamani would become secondary and that is untrue because the Yamani is the primary preparer and the primary leader of the holy era of emergence.

Then it becomes necessitated that the first Mahdi is the Yamani and that the Yamani is the first Mahdi. Thus the Yamani (he's name is Ahmed, he is from Basra, has a mark on his right cheek, at the beginning of his emergence he is a young man, has dandruff on his head, most knowledge from all people in the Quran, Torah and the Bible after the imams, has an incomplete family tree, nicknamed the "Mahdi", he is an infallible imam which people MUST obey, no Muslim should turn away from him and who ever turns away from him is from the people of hell because he call to the truth and the right path, he calls to Imam Al Mahdi (A.S))... and... and... all that has been dictated from the imams about the characteristics of the Mahdi.

If u want refer to the books Kitab Ghaybat Anno' amani and Ghaybat Attossi and Ikmal Addin and Bihar Al' Anwar. Vol. 52 and 53, and other books of narrations (koutoub Al hadit).

What remains to be said is that all the followers of the Yamani from the 313 who are with the Imam (A.S) are called "yamaniyoon" since they are directly related to their leader Al Yamani and from them are the Yamani of San'aa and Yamani of Iraq.

"Nay, by the Moon (32) And the night when it withdraweth (33) And the dawn when it shineth forth, (34) Lo! this is one of the greatest (portents) (35) As a warning unto men, (36) Unto him of you who will advance or hang back. (37) Every soul is a pledge for its own deeds; (38) Save those who are Al Yamin Companions. (39) In gardens they will

ask one another (40) Concerning the guilty: (41) What hath brought you to this burning? (42) They will answer: We were not of those who prayed (43) Nor did we feed the wretched. (44) We used to wade (in vain dispute) with (all) waders, (45) And we used to deny the Day of Judgment, (46) Till the Inevitable came unto us. (47) The mediation of no mediators will avail them then. (48) Why now turn they away from the Admonishment, (49) As they were frightened asses (50) Fleeing from a lion! (51) Nay, but everyone of them desireth that he should be given open pages (from Allah). (52) Nay, verily. They fear not the Hereafter. (53) Nay, verily. Lo! this is an Admonishment. (54) So whosoever will may heed. (55) And they will not heed unless Allah willeth (it). He is the fount of fear. He is the fount of Mercy. (56)" (Al Muddathir).

(...by" The Moon") the moon is the guardian, "the night" is the state of the oppressors and "the morning" is the dawn of Imam Al Mahdi (A.S) and the beginning of his era with he's successor is like the beginning of the sunrise because he is the Sun.

(this is one of the greatest (portents)) it's the small resurrection, and the Divine Great events and divine incident. There are three of them: the small resurrection, the return and the great resurrection,

"As a warning unto men" a warning signal; a warner, and he is the messenger and the first Mahdi (A.S), he is the herald and the warner of severe punishment, so that whoever wished to move forward shall move, and that whoever wants to move backwards shall do as move backwards from the mount of Imam Al Mahdi (A.S).

"Every soul is a pledge for its own deeds" and that is clear since every human is judged according to his own accts and deeds." Save those who are "Al Yamin Companions" and they are excluded from judgment, they are the "close" ones and they are the followers of the Yamani whom are from the 313 who are the followers of the Mahdi (AS). They will enter paradise without judgment.

Allah the almighty said "Thus if he is of those brought nigh, (88) Then breath of life, and plenty, and a Garden of delight. (89) And if he is of those on the right hand," (90) [Al-Waq'ia]. (39)

In gardens they will ask one another (40) Concerning the guilty: (41) What hath brought you to this burning? (42) They will answer: We were not of those who prayed (43) that is we were not from those who followed and obeyed the successor of Allah and did not follow the successor of Imam Al Mahdi (A.S) and the first Mahdi (the promised Yamani).

And the Yamani (it is prohibited for any Muslim to turn away from him and whoever does that then he is from the people of hell). Allah sufficeth me, In Him have I put my trust, and He is Lord of the Tremendous Throne.

Imam Ali (A.S) was afflicted by Mo'Aawiyah son of hind (may Allah curse him) who brought back people which do not distinguish between she-Camel and a Camel, and I

am tested, today, as the Prince of the believers but by seventy Mo'Aawiyah and all are being followed by people which do not distinguish between she-camel and a camel. God help us on what they describe and deny.

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