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totaloss [Technology]	فَنَاء
being finished; complete destruction; eternal damnation; passing away; total loss; total ruin; utter destruction [General]	فَنَاء
cessation of being [General]	فَنَاء
annihilation; extinction [General]	فَناء
court; public sequare [General]	فِنَاء
Absumption; Consumption; Demises; dissolu- tion; Mortality; Perishability; Perishableness; quietus; Switchyard; Anéantissement Annihilation	فناء

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Fana (Sufism)

Fanaa (Arabic: فناء $fan\bar{a}$) in <u>Sufism</u> is the "passing away" or "annihilation" (of the <u>self</u>). Fana means "to die before one dies", a concept highlighted by famous notable Muslim saints such as <u>Rumi</u> and later by <u>Sultan Bahoo</u> Fana represents a breaking down of the individual ego and a recognition of the fundamental unity of God, creation, and the individual self. Persons having entered this enlightened state obtain awareness of the intrinsic unity <u>Tawhid</u>) between <u>Allah</u> and all that exists, including the individual's mind. It is coupled conceptually with <u>baqaa</u>, subsistence, which is the state of pure consciousness of and abidance in Gold?

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Muslim scholars insist, that similar to other Sufi doctrines, Fana also based purely on the Islamic teachings. Theuran says:

"All things in creation suffer annihilation and there remains the face of the Lord in its majesty and bounty." Surat-L-Rehman 26-27^[4]

The state of Fana is represented by Rumi in Book Six of the Mathnawi where he writes:

When the Shaykh (Halláj) said 'I am God' and carried it through (to the end), he throttled (vanquished) all the blind (sceptics).

When a man's 'I' is negated (and eliminated) from existence, then what remains? ConsideO denier. [5]

In his book, Ain-ul-Faqr Sultan Bahoo talks about spiritual levels of which Fana is one:

"Initially I was *four*, then became *three*, afterwards *two* and when I got out of Doi (being two), I became *one* with Allah."

The words reveal the journey of Oneness where 'four' means he, his <u>Murshid</u>, <u>Rasool</u> and <u>Allah</u>. When he annihilates in his <u>Murshid</u>, he remains 'three'. Then he annihilates in <u>Rasool</u> and he remains 'two'. Finally when he annihilates in Allah, he becomes 'One'. Hence, his journey of Fana(annihilation) completes and he becomes the Universal Man^[6]

Stages of Fana

This explains that there are in fact three basic stages of Fana. [7]

Fana fi Shaikh

This is the first level of Fana where the seeker annihilates in the being of hiMurshid. This is only possible through Ishq-e-Murshid.

Fana fi Rasool

This is the second level of Fana where the seeker annihilates in the being or assool. This is only possible through Ishq-e-Rasool.

Fana Fillah

This is the third and final stage of Fana where the seeker annihilates in the essence of Allah attained only throughhq-e-Haqeeqi

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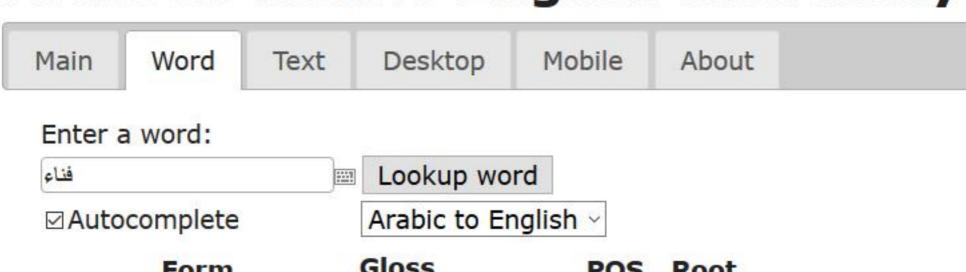
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Noun

Gloss Form Root POS

annihilation; extinction