

## BOOK REVIEW

*TRUTH IS TRUTH*, By Ikram Ali Malik.  
Lahore: Book Services, 1990, vi + 116 pp., Pak  
Rupees 125.00 H.B.

This book has been written by Prof. Ikram Ali Malik in reply to Khan Abdul Wali Khan's book, *Facts are Facts*. It however covers only a small portion of Wali Khan's book, which meant "to present the true picture and the side other than propagated by government". Prof. Malik has, in a scholarly and lucid style pointed out that Wali Khan has used the source material to suit his preconceived ideas and, at a number of places, quoted small extracts often out of their context. It has also been pointed out that Wali Khan's account is "extremely biased against our national leaders particularly Quaid-i-Azam, Muslim League and the demand for Pakistan". Prof. Malik has done a commendable job in pointing out the glaring distortion of source material, misinterpretation and extreme partiality of the author of the *Facts are Facts*. Quoting from the same source material, he has methodically proved that Wali Khan has been deliberately biased and his book is not a objective study of the period. Prof. Malik has thus rendered a great service by bringing out the mischief in the *Facts are Facts* and showing that the *Truth is Truth*. I only wish he could complete the job by going through the whole book and refuting all the wrong things said in the Khan Abdul Wali Khan's book.

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Books will speak plain, when counsellors  
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