



## English Translation of *Rekhtyia Rekhtyia Di*: A Study on Category Shifts

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### Abstract

This study aims at exploring category shifts in English translation *Facts are Facts* of the Pashto text *Rekhtyia Rekhtyia Di* by Khan Abdul Wali Khan. It investigates the nature of category shifts, giving an overview of prior theories of translation. It adopts qualitative method, using closing reading technique as a tool for collection as well as interpretation of data under the theoretical framework of Catford's theory of translation shifts. It analyzes category shifts in English translation *Facts are Facts*, by studying source text and target text in parallel. It finds out answer to the question: What are category shifts in English translation *Facts are Facts* of the Pashto text *Rekhtyia Rekhtyia Di*? Moreover, it gives an avenue to future researchers to apply category shifts to other forms of translated literature.

**Keywords:** Category shifts, qualitative method, close reading technique, source and target text

### I. Introduction

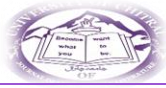
Translation is a creative-cum-mechanical act involving three processes: cognitive, communicative and linguistic process. It is a cognitive process in that it touches upon what is going on in the mind of translator. This means that thought processes of translator are given attention in the process of translation. Translation is a communicative process meaning that there is cross-cultural communication when a person translates a stretch of language, showing cultural conventions, perception of the world, habits, social institutions, etc. Translation is essentially a linguistic process in which a translator pays particular attention to language of the text, including form, functions, effects, etc. Translation plays a significant part in the fields of knowledge. It helps disseminate human intellectual pursuits. Subsequently, it brings about cultural innovation and development. However, translation is subject to shifts, or departure from equivalence or correspondence or both: one of the ends of a translator is to create equivalence between source text (ST) and target text (TT). One of the challenges posed to translation is that it loses effect of the original text, especially in the case of poetry. This is because of shifts. According to Catford (1965), shift is a deviation from formal balance in the process of moving from source text to target text. It is of two types: shift of level and shift of category. Aesthetic pleasure created by prosodic and metrical features is not sometimes relayed to the target culture. On the contrary, prose translation is not comparatively as difficult as poetry; because prose and poetry do not



follow the same way of expression. There are not as many shifts in prose as in poetry. It is needless to say that shifts occurring in prose can also occur in poetry. *Rekhtyia Rekhtyia Di* (*Facts are Facts*) is one of scholarly books written by Khan Abdul Wali Khan. His other books are *Rekhtyia Muqadas Di* (*Facts are Sacred*) and *Saritoob* (Manliness). In *Rekhtyia Rekhtyia Di* (*Facts are Facts*), Wali Khan tries to rationalize the bent of Abdul Ghaffar Khan popularly known as Bacha Khan and All Indian Congress towards the need of Pakistan by the Muslim League. There are 22 chapters in the book describing machinations and manipulations of the British; also talking about the struggle for power by the Muslim League and the Congress. The writer tries to substantiate his point of view by giving letters and official correspondence between British secretary for India and the viceroy of India, governors of the British Indian provinces and so on. Moreover, many of the supporting proofs are taken from India Office Library London. This book also muckrakes the true colors of religious personalities and feudal lords who worked for the British at the expense of the common people who were struggling for the freedom of the soil. The Ministry of Nationalities and Tribal Affairs of Afghanistan in 1987 went through the book for the first time. It was rendered into Urdu in Pakistan in 1988. It was translated into English by Dr. Syeda Saidain Hameed in 1990. This study enables a person to have an understanding of Pashtun culture and psychology. It will contribute to the rounded understanding of the book, especially the linguistic aspect of the book involved.

## II. Review of Related Literature

According to Munday (2001), the term translation is used in several senses. First, it refers to a product, signifying a written language translated. It is a finished end product passed through a process. Second, it also refers to a process involving source language and target language. Source language is the one from which something is translated, whereas target language is the one to which something is translated. As a process, translation is categorized into interlingual, intralingual and intersemiotic translation. Third, translation also refers to academic discipline covering history, theories and strategies of translation. Translation is a linguistic, cognitive, cultural and communicative process involving rendition of written language. Newmark (1981), has drawn a dichotomy between semantic and communicative translation using certain parameters. Semantic translation emphasizes thought processes of the translator. Communicative translation emphasizes intention of the translator and culture rather than thought processes as it is more subjective in nature. Venuti (1995) introduced foreignization and domestication as strategies of translation, providing linguistic and cultural guidance. Foreignization refers to influence of cultural deviation on those cultural norms to exhibit linguistic and cultural variations of the foreign text, sending the audience abroad. Venuti (ibid) favors foreignization as a strategy. It is a form of opposition against cultural deviation, racial discrimination, cultural superiority, and subjugation for the benefits of liberal state relations. Domestication refers to a culture-centred reduction of the foreign text to target-language cultural standards, fetching the author back home. According to Nida (1964), there are principles of correspondence in translation, which lie under the process of translation. Languages differ in terms of form and substance.



Total balance of form and substance or precise rendition is not possible. Variations in renditions are normally due to three essential forces in the process of translation: nature of message, writer's purpose and kind of audience. To Munday (2001), discourse analysis model attributed to Halliday draws on systemic functional grammar, considering language as a form of interaction or communication. It holds that meaning exists in the linguistic choices of a writer and methodically relates these selections to a broad sociocultural fabric. This notion draws on Buher's division of language functions. To Munday (ibid), polysystem theory is a theory of translation propounded by a Jewish scholar named Itamar Even-Zohar in the 1970s. A literary work is views in context rather than in isolation, being a part of a system. Polysystem is a heterogeneous and hierarchical system of systems which brings about a continuous changing process of development within the polysystem in aggregate. According to Munday (ibid), Vinay and Darbelnet drew a comparative review of English and French, exploring differences and making distinction between direct and oblique translation. As far as the differences are concerned, they did not describe the differences as shifts, but, of course, they were the first to study translation shifts. According to Ahmad (2020), language is a significant part of human culture. Human culture and language are interconnected with each other. They both have influence over each other in the process of evolution. According to Kantiastuti (2014), meaning transfer is a crucial aspect of translation; it is of different types: complete meaning, increased meaning, decreased meaning, and nonequivalent meaning. According to Jacobson (1959), languages vary basically in what they ought to communicate and not in what they may communicate. These differences are made in terms of gender, aspect and semantic field. Jacobson (ibid) argues that there is not any common total equivalence between language-units. To Fang (2011), the connection between ideology and translation is manifold; translation is a phenomenon rooted in history and society, in which different conflicting ideologies confront each other. According to Haque (2012), translation of prose is essentially the translation of fictional prose or non-fiction prose, including novels, short stories, folk tale, comedy, works of criticism, hagiography and the like.

### III. Methodology

This study adopts qualitative method. According to Jamshed (2014), research methodology is a set of techniques acting like a design of architecture by means of which a researcher forms a mental bent to identify a problem and come up with a solution to the problem. It is a detailed procedure representing selection of a person conducting the study, relying on the characteristics and kind of the problem of one's study. To Creswell (2009), qualitative methodology of research is a blanket term referring to a set of study design based certain theoretical dimensions. Close reading is used as a technique for the collection of data pertaining to the topic; it is an objective way of analysis emphasizing on moves used in developing a depth of understanding related to a text. In other words, it is a device used to understand a demanding text, encompassing the reader forming a in-depth comprehension of literary piece, rather than a prompt and superficial view of the main idea of a stretch of language. The procedure of close reading starts with the comprehension of words and expressions and their different shades of



meaning. According to Greenham (2019), there are six contexts of closing reading. First of all, the semantic context is about the meaning of words, focusing on what individual words can mean. Second, the syntactic context is about the arrangement and distribution of words and how words mean when they are arranged and put together. Third, the thematic context is about how different themes appear and influence meaning as we read a text. Fourth, the iterative context is about the ways that iteration and structuring influence the meaning of text. Fifth, the generic context is about the type of work, which we are reading, influence the approach to its meanings. Sixth, the adversarial context is about how the theoretical, political and historical concerns reshape meanings of a text. *Facts are Facts: An Untold Story of India's Partition*, a book by Khan Abdul Wali Khan, is selected as object of the study. It is a prose work originally written in Pashtu, translated into several languages, including English. Pashtu and English versions of the book are investigated in the light of translation shifts attributed to Catford. Shift refers to deviations from structural correspondence when a person translates a literary piece. Formal correspondence as opposed to dynamic correspondence is an orientation of translation. Form and substance of the message are given equal preference. Shifts are categorized into the following kinds: level shifts and category shifts.

#### IV. Analysis and Interpretation

Category shift is a kind of shift marked by deviation from structural correspondence in terms of grammatical category rather than level of language. It covers the following: unit shift, class shift, structure shift and intra-system shift.

##### Interpretation of Unit Shift (rank shift)

Unit shift refers to a shift in which a unit of language such as morpheme, lexeme, phrase or sentence, rendered with a separate unit. For instance, a word is rendered with a phrase: a phrase is translated with a word. The following shifts of unit have been explored and analyzed:

##### Example 1:

**ST:** دې مليانو دهغي پاره په اسلام كښي جواز پيش كوله شو

**PT:** də mɔljənu də həɣe pərə pə ɪsləm kɪ dʒəwɑːz pɛʃ kəwələ ʃu

**TT:** They rationalized their policies based on a contorted interpretation of Islam.

“جواز پيش كوله شو” (dʒəwɑːz pɛʃ kəwələ ʃu) is a phrase in Pashtu, consisting of a group of words, that is, noun, helping and main verb. This phrase is translated in English translation as rationalized, a word in English.

**BT:** These Mullahs could have given justification for their (the British) policies.

##### Example 2:

**ST:** پيرنگي د نر بچي خو دا يو خدمت د اسلام كره دے چې د دغه مليانو نومونه ئ سره د هغوي د پتو پورا پورا ليكلي دي .

**PT:** pɪrəŋgi də nər bəʃi ɣu də ju ɣɪdmət də ɪsləm kərə də ʃi də həɣə mɔljənu numənə je sərə də həɣu də pətə pərə pərə lɪkəlɪ də

**TT:** The British did Islam a good turn by recording the names and addresses of these Mullahs.

“خدمت” (ɣɪdmət) is a word acting as a noun in Pashto. It is translated as a *good turn*, which is a phrase in English, consisting of a head (turn), dependents (article and adjective).



**BT:** The British served Islam by giving the Mullahs' names along with full addresses.

**Example 3:**

**ST:** دا پيرانگي كوشش دا ؤ چې هغه كورونوكيني خان له ملگري پيدا كړي كومي چې د پيرانگي په خلاف جنگيږي .

**PT:** də pɪrəŋgi kəʃəʃ də wə ʃi həyə kərənə ki za:lə məlgəri pjədə kri kumə ʃi də pɪrəŋi pə ɣɪla:f dʒəŋgje

**TT:** The British strategy was to befriend those families whose friends were involved in the freedom struggle.

“ملگري پيدا كړي” (məlgəri pjədə kri) is a phrase in Pashto, consisting of a noun followed by a verb. This phrase is translated with a word, that is, befriend. In this case, a phrase in source text is rendered with a word in target language.

**BT:** The British tried to make friends with those families involved fighting the British.

**Example 4:**

**ST:** پيرانگي دا هر څه په داسې پټه طريقه كول چې د پيرانگي مخالفين په هيڅ رنگي هم خبر نه شي

**PT:** pɪrəŋgi də hər sə pə dəsi pətə təriqə kəwəl ʃi də pɪrəŋgi mɔχəlɪpi:n pə həs rəŋgi hum χəbər nə ʃi

**TT:** The British were conducting this intrigue with utmost secrecy. Their enemies had no suspicion that such documents and letters were being exchanged.

The sentence in Pashto is a compound sentence consisting of two independent clauses. This sentence is split up into two sentences in target text. In other words, clause in ST is rendered with a sentence in TT; clause is shifted to sentence in the process of going from source text to target text.

**BT:** The British were conducting this intrigue with utmost secrecy that their enemies had no suspicion that such documents and letters were being exchanged.

**Example 5:**

**ST:** کوننگم د مليانو دري ډلي ټاکلي وي دا واره واره مليان ي د علاقه خانانو او اعتباري خان بهادرانو نه په حواله کړيو .

**PT:** kəŋŋəm də mɔljənə dri dəli təkəli wɛ də wərə wərə mɔljən də ələqu: χa:nɑ:nə əʊ itbəri χan bədərənə tə pə həwələ kəri wə

**TT:** Cunningham made three groups among the Maulanas.

“کوننگم د مليانو دري ډلي ټاکلي وي” (kəŋŋəm də mɔljənə dri dəli təkəli wɛ) is a clause in ST. It is a constituent of a larger construction. This constituent is shifted to a construction in TT.

**BT:** Cunningham made three groups of Mullahs, assigning the smaller Mullahs to local khans and nawab.

**Interpretation of Class Shift**

Class shift is a form of category shift, referring to the deviation of grammatical class, such as noun, verb, adjective, adverb, etc. The following shifts of class have been explored and analyzed:

**Example 1:**

**ST:** په لندن کښي پيرنگيان وپريدل چې د گاندهي جي د قامي حکومت د جناح صيب په





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**PT:** pa: lɒndən kɪ pɪrəŋjən wəjərədəl fɪ də ga:ndɪ dʒɪ də qa:maɪ həkʊmət də dʒɪnə sa:b pa: məfərəɪ kɪ ka:fi bədna:m ka:ræ dɛ

**TT:** The British were concerned that having refused Ghandhiji's offer Jinnah was becoming very unpopular.

“ویریدل” (wəjərədəl) is a verb in Pashto. It is translated as ‘concerned’, which is an adjective in English. It functions as adjective in TT. Verb is shifted to adjective in the process of translation.

**BT:** Having refused the offer of Ghandhiji by Jinnah, the British in London feared that this made Jinnah very unpopular.

### Example 2:

**ST:** دا سر جارج کنگم دا د خپل لاس ليکلی ډاډېرې چې سرے لولی ، نو حېران شي

**PT:** də sɛ:r dʒo:rdʒ kʌŋɪŋgʌm də də xɪpəl la:s lɪkəlɪ dɑ:ɟɪ fɪ sərəj lwəlɪ nʊ hɜ:rɑ:n fɪ

**TT:** George Cunningham's diaries are a shocking record of men.

“حېران شي” (hɜ:rɑ:n fɪ) is a verb in Pashto, meaning to wonder. It is translated as *shocking* as in shocking record of men. Shocking is an adjective in English. It follows that the verb “حېران شي” (hɜ:rɑ:n fɪ) is shifted to adjective (shocking) in the process of translation.

**BT:** Reading Sir George Cunningham's diaries, one astonishes.

### Example 3:

**ST:** مسلمانو د غلامولو د پار ه ې خپل ايمان ، ضمير او سړيتوب په سرو سپينو خرچ کړي دي

**PT:** mʊsɛlmənənʊ də ɣwələməwələʊ dɑ:pərə jɛ xɪpəl imɑ:n za:mi:r aʊ sərɪtu:b pɑ srə: spɪnʊ xɛrɪf kəri dɪ

**TT:** For a few pieces of silver, (they) agreed to serve as the custodian of slavery for the Indian people.

“د غلامولو د پار ه” (də ɣwələməwələʊ dɑ:pərə) is an expression acting as a verb, meaning for making (someone) slave. This verbal group is translated as custodian of slavery, which is a noun phrase in English, consisting of head (custodian) and modifier (of slavery). A verbal group is shift to a noun phrase in the process of translation.

**BT:** To make the Muslims slave, they sold their faith, conscience and manliness for money.

### Example 4:

**ST:** هغه اول د خاکسار تنظيم سره تعلق لرلو.

**PT:** hɛɣə əwəl də xaksɑ:r tənzi:m sərə təlɔq lərəʊ

**TT:** He was formerly connected with the Khaksar movement.

“اول” (əwəl) is a word in Pashto, acting as a noun. It is translated as formerly, which is an adverb in English. Similarly, “تعلق” (təlɔq) is a word functioning as a noun. This word is translated as *connected*, which is a verb used in passive form. Nouns are shifted to adverb and verb in the process of translation.

**BT:** He had association with Khaksar movement in the past.

### Example 5:

**ST:** هغه دي قسمه مليانو سره په پټه رابطه کړي

**PT:** hɛɣə dɛ qɪsmə mɔljənʊ sərə pə pətə rəbɪtə kəri



**TT:** He was commissioned to work secretly with the tribal Mullahs.

“پټه رابطه” (pətə rəbitə) is an expression in Pashto, consisting of adjective (پټه/pətə) and noun (رابطه/rəbitə). This expression is translated as *work secretly*, consisting of verb (work) and adverb (secretly). It follows that noun and adjective are shifted to verb and adverb respectively in the process of translation.

**BT:** He was commissioned to have secret contact with the tribal Mullahs.

### Interpretation of Structure Shift

#### Example 1:

**ST:** کننگم دا سی گویانه دے چی دا د ملیانو سره د رابطي کار مونره خان بهادر قلي خان ته په حواله  
کرو چی هغه د دی هغه دي قسمه ملیانو سره په پټه رابطه کړي .

**PT:** kaniŋgam dəsi gujənə də ʃi də dəi mɔljənʊ sərə rəbitə ka:r mənə ɣa:n bəha:dər quli tə pə həwələ kru ʃi həyə dəi qismə mɔljənʊ sərə pə pətə rəbitə kəri

**TT:** Cunningham wrote that Kuli Khan was being used as the Mullah liaison. He was commissioned to work secretly with the tribal Mullahs.

The sentence in ST consists of three clauses: (1) کننگم دا سی گویانه دے (kaniŋgam dəsi gujənə də) (2) چی دا د ملیانو سره د رابطي کار مونره خان بهادر قلي خان ته په حواله کرو. (ʃi də dəi mɔljənʊ sərə rəbitə ka:r mənə ɣa:n bəha:dər quli tə pə həwələ kru) (3) هغه د دی هغه دي قسمه ملیانو سره په پټه رابطه کړي . (ʃi həyə dəi qismə mɔljənʊ sərə pə pətə rəbitə kəri). (This sentence is translated with two sentences in TT, that is, (1) Cunningham wrote that Kuli Khan was being used as the Mullah liaison. (2) He was commissioned to work secretly with the tribal Mullahs. A single sentence structure is shifted to two sentences in TT in the process of translation.

**BT:** Cunningham said that Kuli Khan was being used as the Mullah liaison, commissioned to work secretly with the tribal Mullahs.

#### Example 2:

**ST:** کننگم سره دا شوفکر چې رقم مومونرخو چاپیره په سمه اوغر خور کرو . ملک مو و ملیانوپه ذریعه  
خان سره ملگرے کرو خو چی پټه ولگوو چی دا ملیان واقعي د پیرانگي د پاره پروپیگنده کوي او که نه ؟

**PT:** kaniŋgam sərə də fikər ʃu rəqəm ɣu mən ʃəpərə pə səmə ɣər əu ɣur kru. mɔlk mu mɔljənʊ pə zərjə za:n sərə mɔlgərə kru ɣu ʃi pətə wələgəwʊ ʃi də mɔlja:n wəqijə də pɪrəŋg də pərə prəpəgəndə kəwi əw kənə?

**TT:** Cunningham’s next concern was that having spent the money to court the Mullahs, it now be ascertained whether or not they were actively engaged in anti-congress propaganda.

The two sentences (kaniŋgam sərə də fikər ʃu) ... (پروپیگنده کوي او که نه ؟) (پروپیگنده کوي او که نه ؟) in ST are rendered with one sentence, that is, Cunningham’s next concern was that having spent the money to court the Mullahs, it now be ascertain whether or not they were actively engaged in anti-congress propaganda. It is evident two sentences have been translated with a sentence in TT.

**BT:** Cunningham thought that the money was distributed among the Mullahs in all directions. People were befriended through the Mullahs; it is to be known whether or not the Mullahs really disseminated propaganda for the British.

#### Example 3:



**ST:** دا پيرانگي كوشش دا ؤ چې هغه كورونوكيني خان له ملگري پيدا كړي كومي چې د پيرانگي په خلاف جنگيدې . د پيرانگي په خلاف په جهاد كيني د فقير ابي سره سره دوه دري نامتو دېني مشران وو چې يو د مسيدوملا پاونده ؤ او دويم په مومند كيني حاجي صيب د تورمزو (تورنگزو) ، او دا د پيرانگي كوشش ؤ چې هر څنگه چې وي دا دواړه مورچي فتح كړي او زما په خيال د هغه د ټولو نه لويه كاميابي هم دا وه چې د دغه شان غازيانو زامن د خان په خوا او ودروي .

**PT:** də pɪrəŋgi kɔʃəf də wɔ ʃi həyə kərənɔ ki za:lə məlgəri pjədə kri komɔ ʃi də pɪrəŋi pə ɣɪla:f dʒəŋgje pɪrəŋi pə ɣɪla:f [ə dʒiɦa:d ki də pəqi:ra:pi sərə sərə dwə drɛi na:mətɔ məʃəra:n wɔ ʃi ju də mɔlə məsɪdɔ pa:wɔndə wɔ: əɔ dwəjəm pə moməndɔ ki hədʒi seɪb də tɔ:rməzɔ: (tɔrəŋzɔ:) əɔ də də pɪrəŋi kɔʃəf ɔ ʃi hɜ:r səŋə ʃi wi də dwərə mɔʃfɛi pəthə kəri əɔ zəmə pə ɣja:l də həyə də tu:lɔ nə lɔ:jə ka:mja:bi hom dəwɔ ʃi də dəyə ʃa:n ɣa:zja:nɔ za:mən də za:n pə ɣwə ɔdrəwɪ

**TT:** The British strategy was to befriend those families whose heads were involved in the freedom struggle. The two most important persons fighting the Jihad against the British were Faqir aand Mullah Pawandah. Another crucial link was Haji Sahib Turangzai of Mohmand. The British were most interested in ingratiating themselves with these three individuals. And their greatest triumph was to win over the sons of these valiant patriots. Mullahs Pawandah's son Fazal Din and Haji Turangzai's son Padsha Gul.

The sentence in Pashtu consists of eight clauses, meaning there are eight subjects and predicates in a single sentence. This single sentence is shifted to five sentences in TT in the process of translation.

**BT:** The British strategy was to befriend those families whose heads were involved in the freedom struggle; the two most important persons fighting the Jihad against the British were Faqir aand Mullah Pawandah; another crucial link was Haji Sahib Turangzai of Mohmand; the British were most interested in ingratiating themselves with these three individuals; and their greatest triumph was to win over the sons of these valiant patriots: Mullahs Pawandah's son Fazal Din and Haji Turangzai's son Padsha Gul.

### Interpretation of Intra-system Shift

#### Example 1:

**ST:** چې قام ته پته ولگي

**PT:** ʃi qa:m tə pətə wələgi

**TT:** This will further inform the people.

“قام” (qa:m) is a noun in Pashto, meaning a group of people having common racial, ethnic, ideological, and historical features in common. It is not preceded by any article in Pashto as in “قام” (qa:m). “قام” (qa:m) is translated as ‘the people’, showing definite article (the) in TT.

**BT:** This will further inform (Pashto) nation.

#### Example 2:

**ST:** کنگم سره دا شوفکر چې رقم مومونږ خو چاپېره په سمه اوغر خور کړو

**PT:** kaniŋgam sərə də fikər ʃu rəqəm ɣɔ mɔŋ ʃəpərə pə səmə ɣər əɔ ɣɔr kru.

**TT:** Cunningham's next concern was that having spent the money to court the Mullahs...





“رقم” (rəqəm) is a noun not preceded by any article in ST. It is translated as the money, which consists of article (the) and noun (money) in TT. There is a deviation in the usage of article system in the process of translation.

**BT:** Cunningham thought that money was spent in all directions.

**Example 3:**

**ST:**

هلته ي نه ي سوال خواب وکړو.

**PT:** həltə nə je swa:l ʒwa:b ōkrū

**TT:** He sent a message.

“سوال خواب” (swa:l ʒwa:b) is a phrase used without any article in ST. It is translated as ‘a message’, showing the use of an article in TT. It follows that English language has a system of articles in which every singular countable noun is preceded by indefinite article. For example:

هغه ډاکټر دے. (پښتو)

**PT:** həyə dɑ:ktər dɛ (pəxtu)

He is a doctor. (English)

Doctor is used without any article in Pashto, whereas the word doctor when being used to describe a profession is preceded by indefinite article.

**BT:** He communicated from over there.

**Example 3:**

**ST:** پېرنګيان په لندن کېني ويريدل

**PT:** pɪrəŋjən pɑ: lɒndən kɪ wəjərədəl fɪ dɛ

**TT:** The British were concerned (in London).

“پېرنګيان” (pɪrəŋjən) is a noun used without any article in ST. It is translated as *the British* in TT. This shows shift in article system. Similarly, Khaksar, Muslim League and Congress are translated as the Khaksar, the Muslim League, and the Congress respectively in TT.

## V. Conclusion

This study tried to find out category shifts in Pashto text *Rekhtyia Rekhtyia Di*. Category shifts refer to a class of translation shifts, signifying deviation from formal correspondence in terms of unit, class, structure and intra-system. This study explored all of the category shifts in the Pashto text. Examples of all forms of category shift are discussed below.

First of all, unit shift is analyzed as follows:

**ST:**

دې ملېانو دهغي پاره په اسلام کېني جواز پيش کولې شو

**PT:** dɛ mɒljəno dɛ həχɛ pərə pə ɪsləm kɪ dʒəwa:z pɛf kəwale fɔ

**TT:** They rationalized their policies based on a contorted interpretation of Islam.

“جواز پيش کولې شو” (dʒəwa:z pɛf kəwale fɔ) is a phrase in Pashtu, consisting of a group of words, that is, noun, helping and main verb. This phrase is translated in English translation as rationalized, a word in English.

**BT:** These Mullahs could give justification for their (the British) policies.

Second, class shifts are analyzed as follows:

**ST:**

په لندن کېني پېرنګيان ويريدل چې د گاندهی جی د قامی حکومت د جناح صیب په مشرۍ کېني انکار جناح صیب کافي بدنام کرے دے.



**PT:** pa: lɒndən kɪ pɪrəŋjən wəjərədəl ʃi də ga:ndi dʒi də qa:maɪ həkɒmət də dʒɪnə sa:b pa: məʃərəɪ kɪ ka:fi bədna:m ka:ræ dɛ

**TT:** The British were concerned that having refused Ghandhiji's offer Jinnah was becoming very unpopular.

“ویریدل” (wəjərədəl) is a verb in Pashto. It is translated as ‘concerned’, which is an adjective in English. It functions as adjective in TT. Verb is shifted to adjective in the process of translation.

**BT:** Having refused the offer of Ghandhiji by Jinnah, the British in London feared that this made Jinnah very unpopular.

Third, structure shifts are analyzed as follows:

**ST:** کننگم سره دا شوفکر چې رقم مومونږخو چاپیره په سمه او غر خور کړو .ملک مو و ملیانوپه ذریعه  
خان سره ملگرے کړو خو چی پته ولگوو چې دا ملیان واقعی د پیرانگی د پاره پروپیگنده کوي او که نه ؟

**PT:** kɒŋŋɡɒm sərə də fikər ʃu rəqəm χu mɒŋ ʃəpərə pə səmə γər aɒ χɒr kru. mɒlk mu mɒljano  
pə zərjə za:n sərə mɒlgərə kru χu ʃi pətə wələgəwɒ ʃi də mɒlja:n wəqijə də pɪrəŋg də pərə  
prɒpəgəndə kəwɪ aɒ kənə?

**TT:** Cunningham's next concern was that having spent the money to court the Mullahs, it now be ascertained whether or not they were actively engaged in ant-congress propaganda.

The two sentences ( (پروپیگنده کوي او که نه ؟) پروپیگنده کوي او که نه ؟ ) ... (kɒŋŋɡɒm sərə də fikər ʃu) (کننگم سره دا شوفکر) in ST are rendered with one sentence, that is, Cunningham's next concern was that having spent the money to court the Mullahs, it now be ascertain whether or not they were actively engaged in anti-congress propaganda. It is evident two sentences have been translated with a sentence in TT.

**BT:** Cunningham thought that the money was distributed among the Mullahs in all directions. People were befriended through the Mullahs; it is to be known whether or not the Mullahs really disseminated propaganda for the British.

Fourth, intra-system shifts are analyzed as follows:

**ST:** کننگم سره دا شوفکر چې رقم مومونږخو چاپیره په سمه او غر خور کړو

**PT:** kɒŋŋɡɒm sərə də fikər ʃu rəqəm χu mɒŋ ʃəpərə pə səmə γər aɒ χɒr kru.

**TT:** Cunningham's next concern was that having spent the money to court the Mullahs...

“رقم” (rəqəm) is a noun not preceded by any article in ST. It is translated as the money, which consists of article (the) and noun (money) in TT. There is a deviation in the usage of article system in the process of translation.

**BT:** Cunningham thought that money was spent in all directions.

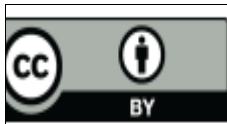
Moreover, *Rekhtyia Rekhtyia Di* can be analyzed through the lens of shifts described by Vinay and Derbelnet and the deforming tendencies described by Antonie Berman. Furthermore, category shifts can also be applied to other genres of Pashto literature, especially poetry.

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