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DEBATE: Daniel Haqiqatjou vs Allahyari on Imamah

Hassan Allahyari English · Judged 3 Nov 2026 · 4:51:10

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Winner: **Daniel Haqiqatjou** by 30.9 · confidence high

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Allahyari 19.2% Daniel Haqiqatjou 80.8%

Scores

Allahyari
9.6

Daniel Haqiqatjou
40.5
Winner

	Allahyari	Daniel Haqiqatjou
Logic	9.8	14.5
Evidence	13.9	14.9
Rebuttal	6.8	9.6
Clarity	4	7
Fallacy penalty	-15 (capped)	-3
Emotion penalty	-10 (capped)	-2.5
Total	**9.6**	**40.5**

Key figures	Allahyari	Daniel Haqiqatjou
Arguments	33	29
Avg logic	3.9	5.8
Fallacies	12	4

Key figures	Allahyari	Daniel Haqiqatjou
Emotional tactics	11	3
Speaking s	9310	4792

Highlights

1. 1:41:57 · **Daniel Haqiqatjou**

   > even if I concede everything even if I pretend that everything that you have said about these ayat of the Quran these hadith everything I accept them okay imagine that still does not prove imama

   This granted Allahyari's evidence and then showed the gap between Ali's status and the twelve-imam doctrine, which Allahyari never closed, including on the rival Ismaili and Zaydi lines.

2. 51:20 · **Daniel Haqiqatjou**

   > the 12th Imam who is hiding. But the problem is if he's hiding, how can he teach the Muslims their religion?

   This set up the challenge of who Shia follow today, which Allahyari repeatedly deferred before answering 'books', an answer Daniel Haqiqatjou then turned into a further rebuttal.

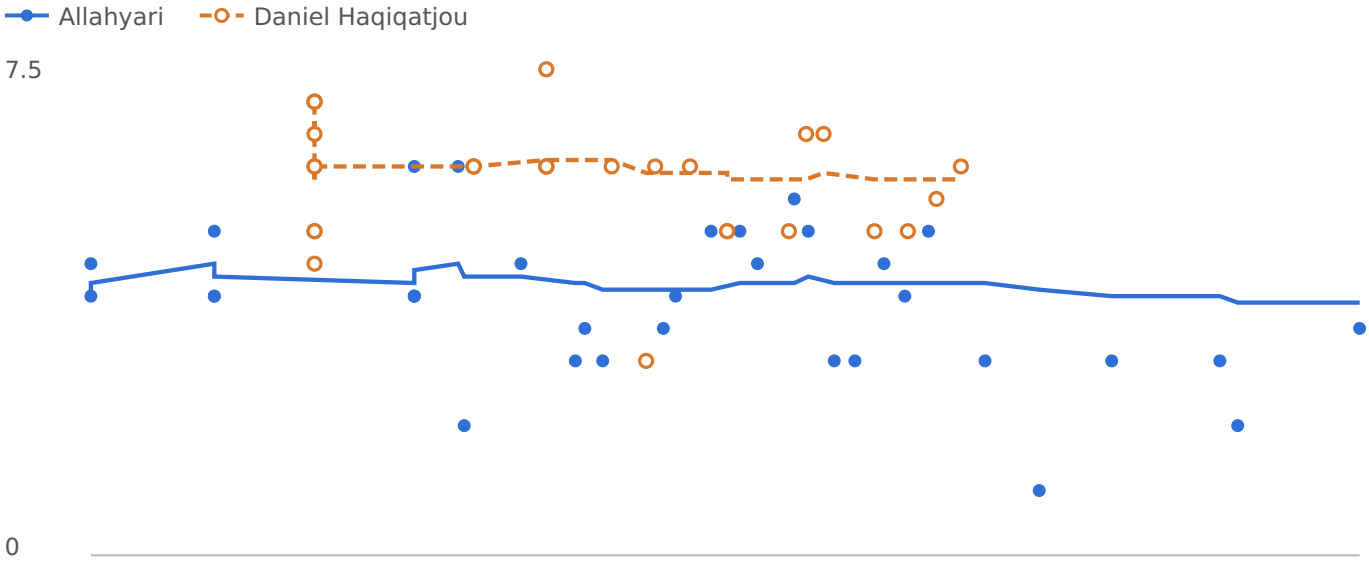
3. 3:29:34 · **Allahyari**

   > there are no other interpretations for these hadith... time-tested interpretations and and and explanations and they are impeccable.

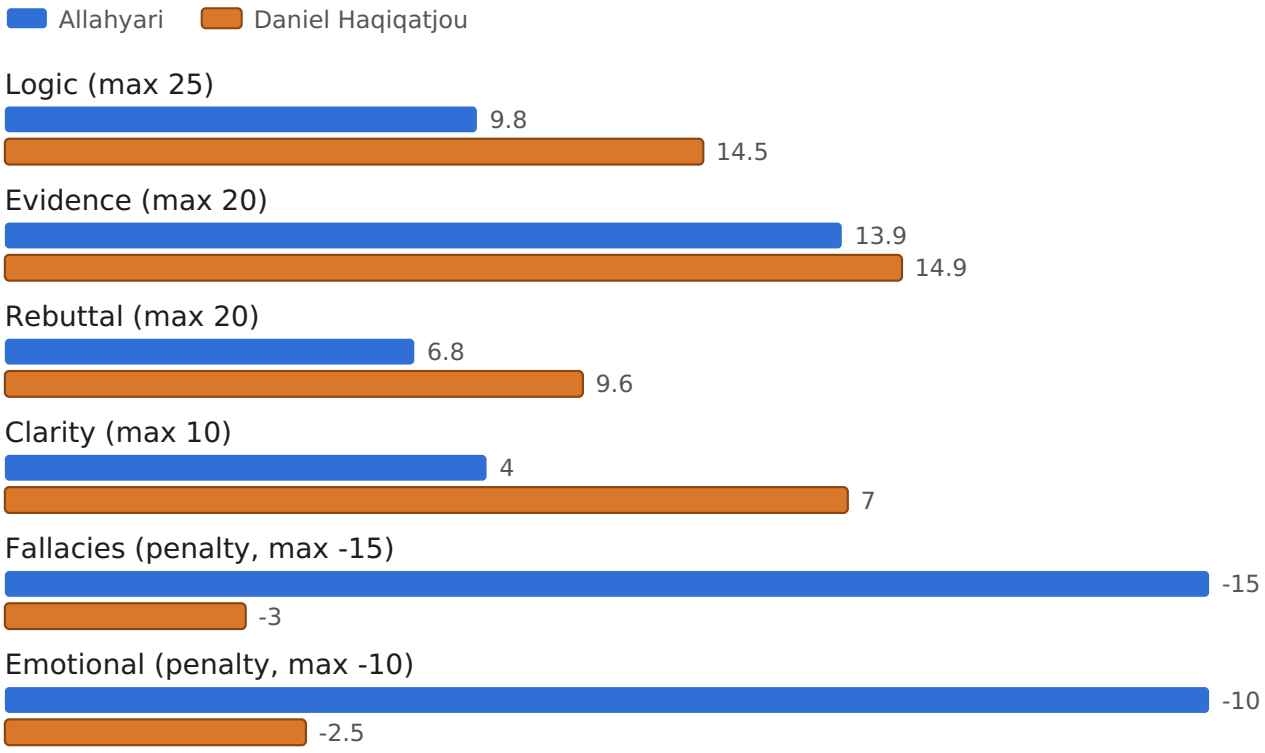
   Allahyari's lowest-scoring argument replaced reasoning with a claim of irrefutability, typifying the weak logic and appeal-to-authority penalties that sank his total.

Charts

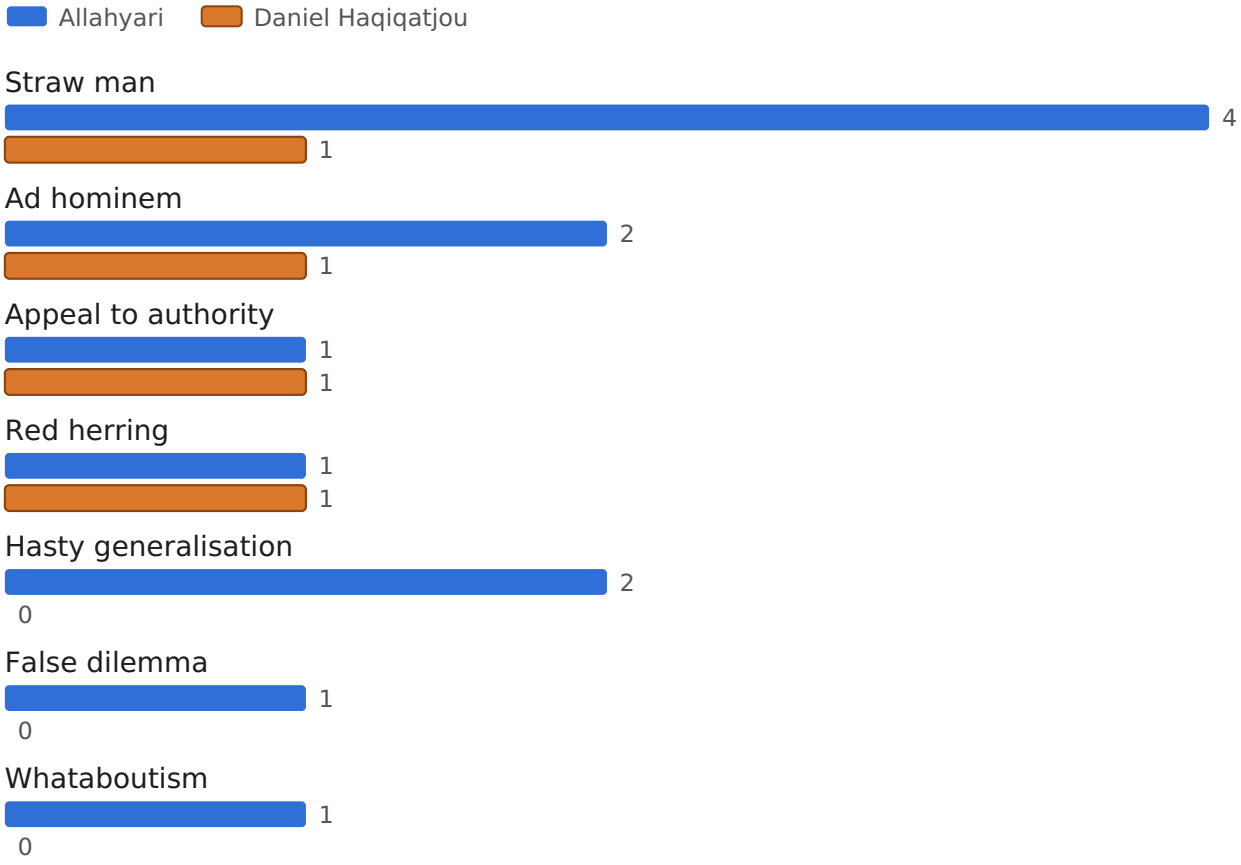
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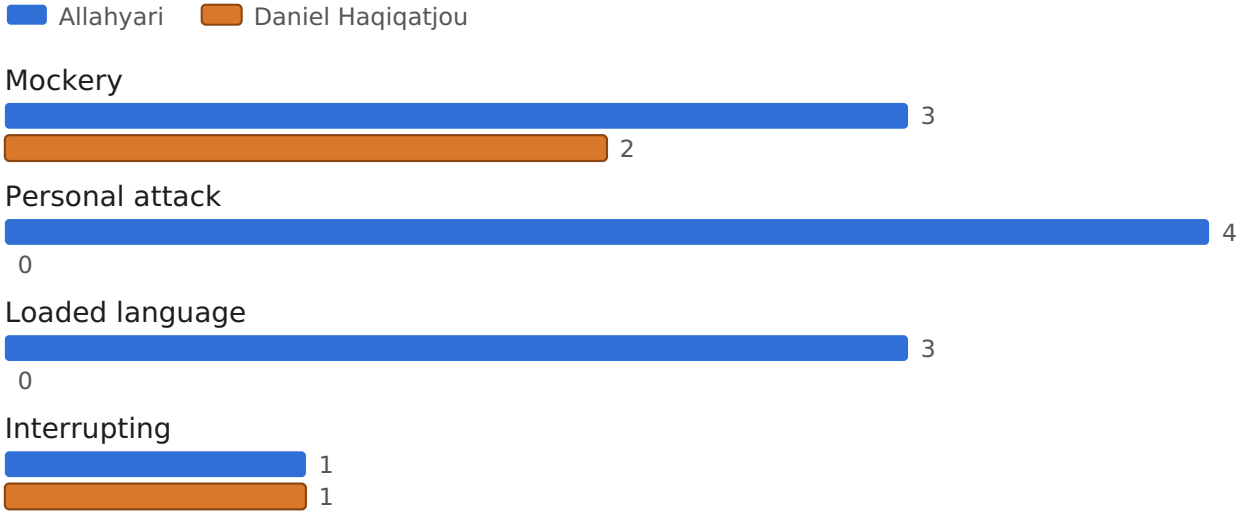
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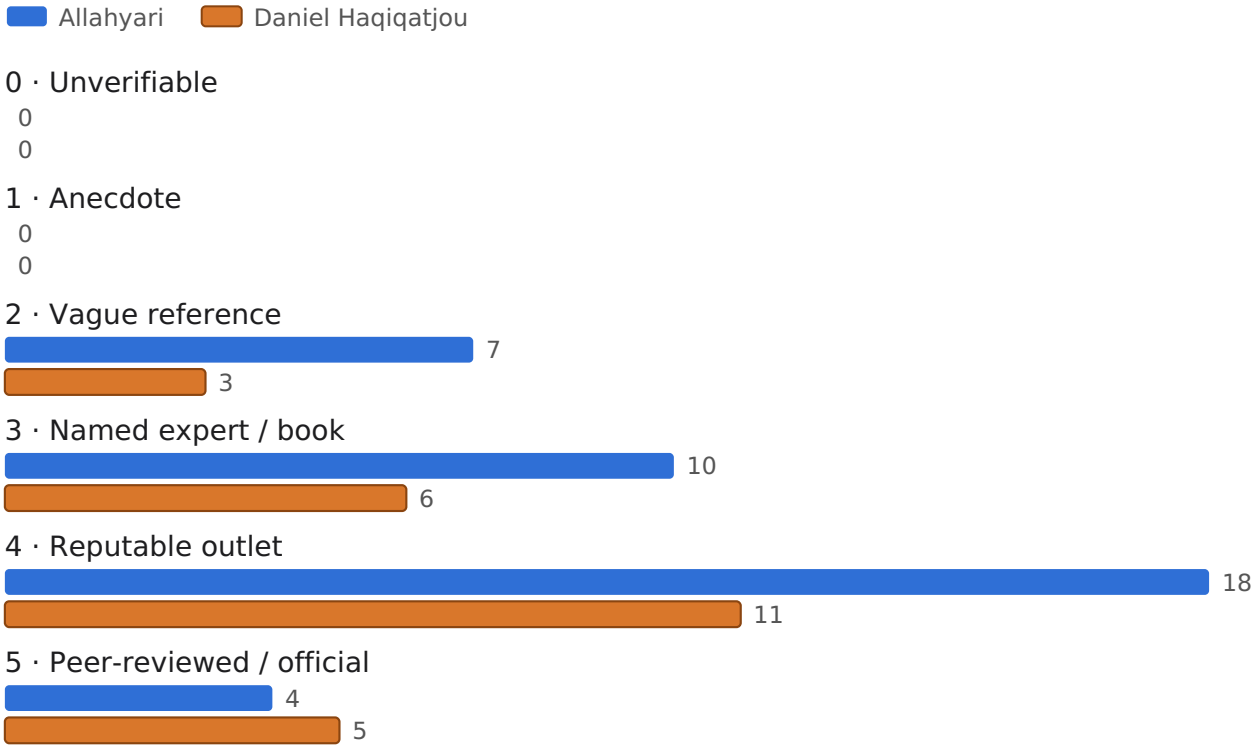
Fallacies



Emotional appeals



Source quality tiers



Sources cited

Time	Speaker	Tier	Verified	Source
29:30	Allahyari	5	✗	The Quran on the Israelites worshipping the calf
2:04:44	Allahyari	5	✗	Bukhari hadith 4679 on the compilation of the Quran under Abu Bakr and Zayd
2:10:11	Allahyari	5	✗	Muslim hadith 1,847 on rulers after the Prophet
2:49:20	Allahyari	5	✗	Sahih Bukhari hadith 4625 and 749 on companions turned away from the Hawd, via sunnah.com translation
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	5	✗	Quranic verses commanding obedience to Allah and His messenger (over 60 verses)
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	5	✗	Quran's condemnation of Christians elevating Jesus and Mariam and Jews elevating Uzair
1:26:07	Daniel Haqiqatjou	5	✗	Radiocarbon dating of the Sana'a palimpsest and Birmingham Quran
1:26:07	Daniel Haqiqatjou	5	✗	Quran verses with 'Allah and His messenger' (e.g. 33rd and 59th verses cited)
2:42:28	Daniel Haqiqatjou	5	✗	Quranic verses 4:65, 8:1, 9 (Tawba), 9:71 and 24:51
2:33	Allahyari	4	✗	Hadith from Musnad Ahmad (volume 7) on Omar's sermon about the lost stoning verse

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2:33	Allahyari	4	✗	Hadith in Sahih Bukhari (page 1,266) with Omar's statement about adding the stoning verse
29:30	Allahyari	4	✗	Quranic verses on the 'anfus' concept (the slander verse, the golden calf episode, the taunting verse, and the mubahala verse)
29:30	Allahyari	4	✗	Hadith from Sahih Muslim and Musnad Ahmad (vol. 18, p.114, hadith 11,561) and other Sunni hadith books on the two weighty things
29:30	Allahyari	4	✗	A hadith that Muslims will follow the ways of earlier nations (Muslim)
1:13:09	Allahyari	4	✗	Quranic verses cited about the 'ulil amr' and others to be obeyed beside Allah and the Prophet
1:13:09	Allahyari	4	✗	Quranic verses condemning Sahaba who abandoned the Prophet and did not respond to jihad calls
1:13:09	Allahyari	4	✗	Sahih Muslim and Ibn Majah hadith on Aisha and the goat
1:36:26	Allahyari	4	✗	Hadith 2,187 (Tirmidhi) about Sahaba asking for a tree to worship, after the conquest of Makkah
1:36:26	Allahyari	4	✗	Hadith 3,456 on Muslims following earlier nations
2:07:30	Allahyari	4	✗	Muslim hadith quoted by Abdullah ibn Omar during the Harra rebellion about dying without bay'ah
2:17:57	Allahyari	4	✗	Thaqalayn hadith narrated by 22-30 Sahaba in Sunni sources
2:28:44	Allahyari	4	✗	Hadith in Sunni books of Omar and Ibn Omar on a lost stoning verse and a longer Surah
2:57:29	Allahyari	4	✗	Quranic verse about Ibrahim's prayer for a 'tongue of truth' and imams
2:38:40	Allahyari	4	✗	Sunni hadith number 3,732 (Ali is from me and I am from Ali; the Aaron-to-Moses hadith)
2:48:08	Allahyari	4	✗	The mubahala verse and Quranic verses the Shia use to establish Imams' authority
3:01:37	Allahyari	4	✗	Aisha's hadith in Bukhari that Ali delayed bay'ah six months
4:39:29	Allahyari	4	✗	Muhammad al-Amir al-San'ani, commentary Sharh al-Tanwir (vol. 7, p. 334)
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Radiocarbon dated early Quranic manuscripts
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Reports in al-Kafi that about 60% of the original Quran was lost and that the Quran named the Imams
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Reports in al-Kafi that out of thousands of Sahaba only three accepted Ali's caliphate
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Thousands of datable early Islamic rock inscriptions from the Hijaz
1:41:57	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Academics Behnam Sadeghi, Mohsen Goudarzi and Nicolai Sinai, published in peer-reviewed journals

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1:41:57	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Nahj al-Balagha quote of Ali: 'I do not consider myself above making mistakes'
1:41:57	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Ibn Majah hadith, disputed by many scholars
1:56:14	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Paleographic evidence from manuscripts
3:03:37	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Hadith in Bukhari and multiple books that Ali gave bay'ah after Fatima died
3:12:28	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	Manuscripts, rock inscriptions, 7th-century non-Muslim sources
3:12:28	Daniel Haqiqatjou	4	✗	al-Kafi claims that Imams' names were in the Quran
2:33	Allahyari	3	✗	A hadith collection by Ibn Mansur, said to be sahih by the criterion of Bukhari and Muslim, on Omar saying no one should claim to have the entire Quran
2:33	Allahyari	3	✗	Hadith of Aisha that a goat ate the real Quran
29:30	Allahyari	3	✗	Sunni hadith collections, including a hadith from Jabir and a hadith numbered 32,93 (vol. 6) about 'one like myself'
29:30	Allahyari	3	✗	Hadith 'whoever obeys Ali obeys me' from a Sunni collection (vol. 3)
29:30	Allahyari	3	✗	Sunni hadith narrated with many chains of narration, e.g. Tirmidhi-style books and an entire book devoted to the Ghadir hadith
1:36:26	Allahyari	3	✗	Carbon dating of Sana'a and Birmingham fragments (window up to about 670 CE)
1:13:09	Allahyari	3	✗	Albani, who authenticated the hadith
2:12:24	Allahyari	3	✗	Shia hadith compilations (e.g. Kulayni) drawing from written books of the companions of the Imams
3:17:43	Allahyari	3	✗	Birmingham parchments (two pages) and Sana'a manuscripts, dated within a window ending around 670
4:12:52	Allahyari	3	✗	Sunni books quoting Omar, Ibn Abbas, Aisha, Hafsa
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	3	✗	Quranic verses praising the Sahaba
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	3	✗	7th-century Armenian and Syriac chroniclers
1:26:07	Daniel Haqiqatjou	3	✗	Disputes among Ismailis, Zaydis, Fivers and Seveners
1:26:07	Daniel Haqiqatjou	3	✗	Oxford, Harvard and Yale academic studies of the manuscripts, rock inscriptions and non-Muslim sources
1:41:57	Daniel Haqiqatjou	3	✗	Rock inscriptions and manuscripts as possible falsifiers

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2:22:40	Daniel Haqiqatjou	3	✗	A scholar who died in 973 and wrote a book refuting the Shia, published by Dar al-Watan (page 653)
2:33	Allahyari	2	✗	Some Quranic exegetes who say the 'dhikr' in the verse refers to the Prophet himself
1:22:43	Allahyari	2	✗	Analogy with the Constantine-era Christian majority and its artifacts
1:48:17	Allahyari	2	✗	Thousands of explicit texts (nusus) from the Prophet and each Imam naming the twelve
1:54:17	Allahyari	2	✗	Sahih al-Bukhari and Sahih Muslim narrations from Omar, Aisha, Ibn Abbas on lost verses
3:01:37	Allahyari	2	✗	Shia sources that Ali was forbidden to fight
3:29:34	Allahyari	2	✗	A thousand-plus years of Shia scholarship
4:08:58	Allahyari	2	✗	Hadith containing a supplication formula for pledging allegiance
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	2	✗	Historians of Christianity and Buddhism using multiple attestation (Jesus's divinity, Buddha and idols)
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	2	✗	Examples of Christianity, Judaism (Talmud), Hinduism (Puranas), Buddhism (Mahayana), and the Aga Khani Ismailis
51:20	Daniel Haqiqatjou	2	✗	Cookie-eating dragon analogy and philosophy of science on falsifiability

Full report

Daniel Haqiqatjou built tightly structured arguments, notably the conditional concession that even granting every verse and hadith Allahyari cited would not establish the twelve-imam line, and the claim that a hidden infallible Imam cannot actually guide anyone. Allahyari had comparable evidence scores but lost heavily on logic, rebuttal and clarity, relying on claims of irrefutability, poisoning the well against opposing sources and repeated dodges of the question of whom Shia follow today. The large fallacy and emotional-appeal penalties against Allahyari widened a gap that already existed on argument quality, and both judging runs agreed closely on every argument.