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Taleghani Fellowship Summary Report

First I would like to take the opportunity to thank the committee for providing financial support for my research. The information I have gathered from this research will further be used in a written prelim, which I am in the process of writing.

I used the fellowship support I received to purchase a set of dictionaries, and software, which I found very helpful. I was also able to obtain a few different books relevant to my research that I could not find through the library. These books were valuable in providing information regarding related topics. I also used the funds to print articles at the library.

This fellowship has funded my research concerning the underlying structure of morphological causatives in Persian. I have found that while the causative form of an intransitive heavy verb behaves similar to morphological causatives in other Indo-European languages, the causative form of a transitive heavy verb shows characteristics of a syntactic causative while remaining monoclausal. My intent is for the finished work to help fill a gap in the literature and to serve as a reference guide for Persian heavy verbs and their classification.

Thank you.

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