

Flow Chart

Macro Structure

16. An -Nahl (The Honey Bee) Verses: 128; Makki; Paragraphs: 6

Period of Revelation. The following internal evidence shows that this Surah was revealed during the last Makkan stage of Prophet hood.

1. v. 41 clearly shows that persecution had forced some Muslims to emigrate to Habash before the revelation of this Surah.
2. vv. 112-114 clearly refer to the end of seven year famine that had struck Makkah some years after the appointment of the Holy Prophet as Allah's Messenger.
3. The general style of the Surah also supports the view that this was revealed during the last stage at Makkah.

