

## ABSTRACT

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The historical experiments which its importance increasing in nowadays and in our country that place of the cities geographic location socio economic features of it and to comprehend the cultural life and to get it has an importance role to make up the consciousness of being belongs to the city. the more we know our past and where we live, the more we can link it to today and to make up tomorrow easily. for the experiment of Ottoman his. we can get advantage from many kinds of sources. they are the sources which are orally and written based. one of the most important source of these are the books (*tahrir defter's*) which are written inside the taxes and who gives them.

Although these books (*tahrir defter's*) by processing and considering countless data that they contain are used as an important archive document to Ottoman socio-economic, demographic and cultural history; their sourcing value has always been an argument. the most striking point of these arguments are the critics that the informations in the book are repeating themselves and therefore there can not be got true result of these experiment with another saying there is a question on some experimenters mind that is these books are the copies of each other or not are the informations in them copies of each other or not? this question is an importance problem negotiated by the experimenters during the process of the experiments till today. from the movement of this experiment, if we pay attention that just two books has no copies, it can be claimed that these informations are being repeated just in some situations. Does information in the composition copy of each other. This question have been discussed by the researchers until now. Regarding to this thesis, if we consider whether two book (*tahrir defter's*) are copy each other, we can say that its true partly.

The other problem this thesis tries to find out it is answer is that worth of information in the composition regarding to region history. Additionally, we also try to find out how these compositions contributes to investigations about history of Ottoman Empire.

We believe that the more question about the compositions we will get more answer. And we will get big step to learn answer of questions by asking true questions. If answer is

not clear at least problem will be clear so way of the discussion will be clear. Thesis focus on the two composition about sanjak of Aydın. First one, written in 1550, about *konargöçer aşiret* lived in villages of sanjak of Aydın. And other, written in 1676, about the *reâyâ* in the villages in sanjak of Aydın.

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