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ORIENTAL VOCABULARY ACCORDING TO GEORGIAN HISTORICAL (COMMERCIAL-ECONOMIC) DOCUMENTS

Close political and cultural relations with the oriental world contributed to the transfer of Oriental borrowings into the Georgian language such as batlama, borji, dapati, tamasuki, tardu/tardo, mabpali, mujasma, rusumi, sarmia, savadi, sanati, urduna, etc.

The proposed Oriental words mainly occurred in the historical documents with commercial and economic content at the end of the 17th and in the 18th century. No such terms are attested in earlier documented sources and it is worth noting that they do not occur in the historical documents of different nature (i.e. deeds of purchase, attribution).

Some of the words have acquired a new meaning in Georgian, while others maintained a slightly modified form.

Semantic evaluation of the borrowings is crucial for the study of the materials documented in Georgian.