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Title Kai Kā'us ibn Kai Khusraw ibn Dārā, Zarātusht nāmah

**Content** A life of Zoroaster written in Iran in the 13th century in a deliberate attempt

to keep the old traditions alive by writing about them in Persian verse. Subsequently copied by Zartusht Bahrām Pazhdū, who is often thought, incorrectly, to be the author, in Bizhanabad (near Jiruft, Kerman) in 1278. This manuscript was transcribed from an earlier copy made by Khusraw Māvandād in

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