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the question

What is the status of the hadeeth (prophetic narration): “Of the things of this world, women and perfume have been made dear to me, and my comfort is in prayer.”?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

The hadith is saheeh (authentic).

It was narrated by al-Nasai, 3939 from the hadith of Anas ibn Malik (may Allah be pleased with him).

It was classed as saheeh by al-Hakim (2/174), and al-Dhahabi agreed with him. It was also classed as saheeh by al-Hafiz ibn Hajar in Fath al-Bari, 15/3 and 11/345.