



## **Al Mujtaba Education Trust**

### **Annual Progress Report**

#### **Year 2020**

##### **General.**

1. The year 2020 proved to be eventful inspite of COVID-19. AMET continued its activities unabated following the SOPs laid down by the Government. Number of BOT meetings were held to review policies of the Trust and effect improvements. Executive Committee Meetings were held on as required basis and scholarships were awarded to over 400 students pursuing secondary, higher secondary, certification/DAE courses, vocational training and higher education. The area coverage has been enlarged to 46 Districts. Fund raising functions planned at Rawalpindi and Karachi could not be held due to ban imposed by the federal government as a result of COVID-19. Special efforts were made to raise required funds which proved to be successful.

2. The Trust got registered with Punjab Charity Commission being a statutory requirement. Responding to the requirement of our foreign donors, AMET has been registered with the Economic Affairs Division of Government of Pakistan. Second PCP Certification of AMET was conducted by PCP panel on 3 Oct 2020. The Trust has secured 83% marks and stands certified for the next 3 years. A case has been taken up with FBR for award of exemption on donations which expired on 22 Nov 2020. The license awarded to AMET to pursue its activities as education trust has been renewed by the Registrar Stock Companies.

##### **Award of Scholarships.**

3. Executive Committee meetings were held throughout the year following the COVID SOPs. Difficulties were faced in reaching out to the students for award of scholarships due to the prolonged closure of education institutions forced by the COVID. Resultantly

scholarships could be awarded to 423 students against 650 students, target set for year 2020. Details are as under: -

a.	Class 8	:	4 Students
b.	Classes 9 & 10	:	84 Students
c.	Classes 11 & 12	:	137 Students
d.	Certification Courses	:	56 Students
e.	Diploma/DAE Courses	:	24 Students
f.	Vocational Training	:	84 Students
g.	Higher Education	:	34 Students
h.	Total	:	423 Students

### **Achievements.**

4. The annual examinations could not be held for all levels of education due to the closure of the education institutions forced by the COVID-19. Students of classes 10 and 12, Certification Courses, Higher Education and Vocational Training could appear in their annual examinations. However students of classes 9 and 11 as well as diploma courses were promoted to their next year classes without examination in line with the policy of the government. Details are as under: -

#### **a. Technological Skills**

**The Hunar Foundation (THF).** 56 students including 6 girls attended different certification courses at various campuses of THF. They all have successfully completed their courses and obtained A Plus grades in their final examination.

#### **b. Other Institutes**

Institute	Students	Grades Achieved		
		A+	A	B
Askari Institute of Technology (AIT)	09	3	6	—
Faiz-UI-Islam Institute of Technology (FIT)	11	4	7	—
Prince Salman Institute of Technology (PSIT)	11	3	8	—
Govt Tech College Jauharabad	1	—	1	—

c. **General Scholarships**

Class	Students	Results					
		A+	A	B	Awaiting	Failed	Left/Stopped
Secondary (including Cadet Colleges)	130	52	78	–	–	–	–
Intermediate	136	55	81	–	–	–	–
Higher Education	70	24	15	4	15	02	10

d. **Vocational Training.** 84 girl students attended vocational training courses at the respective vocational centres. Results obtained are as under: -

**Vocational Training**

Sr#	Name of VC	Students Trained	Results				
			A+	A	B	C	Failed/Left
01	Sillanwali	21	-	06	06	07	02
02	Chawali	25	09	04	04	-	08
03	Danda Shah Bilawal	21	01	09	01	-	10
04	Bucha (Mandra)	17	-	02	03	08	04

5. **Some of Our Brilliant Students**

**Sana Bibi**



An orphan from rural area Dhoke Kala Khan, District Rawalpindi. Her widowed mother works on odd jobs to make ends meet and is determined to educate her and her two younger brothers. Despite facing substantial hardships Sana secured 89 % marks in matric exams. She has been supported for studying at Sir Syed Science College for Girls. She secured 87% marks in 12th class board examination. She is aspiring to pursue higher studies.

**Rahila Abdul Rehman**

She belongs to a remote village near Jhang City and secured 94% marks in matric. Her father is handicapped and bedridden. She is dependent on her brothers who have meagre earnings. She has been supported for education at Chenab College Jhang by AMET and secured 89% marks in both 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Class Board Exams. In view of her consistent good performance in studies and her family's desire to pursue higher education she has been admitted in 'Doctor of Physiotherapy (DPT)' program at The University of Faisalabad.

**Ahmed Yar**

An orphan from a remote village of Distt Sargodha, Ahmed Yar secured 1<sup>st</sup> position in Cadet College Sargodha entrance test. He has maintained his academic progress and stood 1<sup>st</sup> in class in final exams of Class 8 with 98% marks. He has secured 96% marks in Class 9 Board Exam and 97% marks in class 10 Board Exam.

**Faizan Ali**

He belongs to a remote village of District Talagang. His father is a retired soldier and has to support four school going children. Despite education in rural schools, Faizan qualified entry tests for NUST, a premier institution. He has been selected for Bachelor of Engineering (BE) in Mechatronics in Army College of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering at Rawalpindi. He achieved a high GPA of 3.68 in the last semester exams.

**Muhammad Adeel**

He is son of a Retired Warrant Officer and belongs to Village Kandan, Tehsil Shapur, Disttt Sargodha. In view of his good academic record, the Trust helped him shift from his rural school to Cadet College Sargodha. He ranks amongst high achievers of the Cadet College. Secured A Plus Grade in classes 9 and 10 board examination. He is now studying in class 12.

**Sehrish Rauf.**

Sehrish Rauf is the daughter of an ex-soldier from Sillanwali, Sargodha who retired in 2006 and later died in 2015. She did her matric by securing 87% marks in 2013 and FSc with 82% in 2015. She abandoned the idea of becoming a doctor after the death of her father because of financial constraints and took admission in BS Zoology at University of Sargodha. She somehow managed to pay the fees of first two semesters and was on the verge of abandoning further education due to meager earnings. This is when AMET came to her rescue. AMET supported her financially to continue her studies for remaining six semesters by paying Rs 210,000/-. She has completed her education now by securing CGPA of 3.71 and was placed second in the course. Sehrish Rauf shall be awarded Silver Medal in the forthcoming convocation.

**Cooperation with Similar Organizations.**

6. In pursuance of AMET objectives Chairman called on the Chancellor of RIPAH University on 07 December 2020. Education programmes being pursued by the Trust were discussed at length. The Chancellor was requested to support the education

programmes of AMET by offering scholarships in different disciplines being taught at the RIPAH University. The meeting proved to be extremely useful. The Chancellor formed a committee to work out details and offer 20 to 30 scholarships to AMET besides a donation of Rs. 1,50,000/- per month. An "In House Committee" has been constituted by the Trust to study the proposal on receipt from RIPAH University and make recommendations for consideration of BOT.

### **Fund Raising Efforts.**

7. The Chairman visited MD Mari Petroleum Company Limited on 23 Oct 2020. Education programmes of AMET were discussed at length and proposal worth Rs. 10.0 (Ten) Million covering various education programmes soliciting MPCL financial support through CSR was presented to the MD for consideration. Management of MPCL has accepted the AMET proposal and donated Rs. 10.0 Million.

8. AMET team led by the Chairman called on MD Fauji Fertilizer Bin Qasim (FFBL) on 14 December 2020. The education programmes of AMET were shared with MD FFBL and a proposal involving financial support of Rs. 8.5 Million through CSR encompassing different levels of education was presented. FFBL has donated Rs. 1.5 Millions (Rupees one point five million only).

### **Miscellaneous Aspects.**

9. **Certification Courses.** Trust sponsored 56 students including 6 girls who pursued different Certification Courses run by the Hunar Foundation (THF) at their various campuses. The courses have since been successfully concluded and all the 56 students have qualified.

10. **Vocational Training.** One course each was conducted at all the four vocational training centres during the year. Final examinations have since been conducted by the Trust, certificate award ceremonies have been held at the respective centres during December 2020. 84 girl students from rural areas have benefitted from this training during the year. 5<sup>th</sup> Vocational Centre has been established at village Rera, Tehsil and District Bagh (AJ & K) which has started functioning since 1 Jan 2021.

11. **Certification of AMET by Pakistan Centre for Philanthropy (PCP).**

- a. AMET submitted a folder covering the following aspects on 19 May 2020 as required by PCP: -
  - (1) Internal Governance.
  - (2) Programme Delivery.
  - (3) Financial Management.
- b. PCP conducted an "In House" evaluation of AMET folder at their office and having satisfied themselves with the details submitted in writing visited AMET office on 03 October 2020 for a ground check. The PCP team spent a long day and besides verifying details at the Trust office contacted some beneficiary students on telephone for a feedback. Positive response of the students satisfied PCP team with the working of the Trust.
- c. Draft report of PCP was received on 24 October 2020. Aspects requiring AMET comments/clarifications were replied on 27 October 2020. PCP team presented AMET case to their Certification Panel on 28 November 2020. Trust was certified by the Panel for 3 years. Trust has been awarded 83% marks as against 70% marks obtained in PCP certification in year 2018. Final report and PCP certificate were received by the Trust on 10 December 2020.

**FBR Tax Exemption on Donations.**

12. Tax exemption on donations granted by FBR expired on 22 Nov 2020. Based on current PCP certification of the Trust case has been taken up with the FBR for renewal of tax exemption on donations from 23 Nov 2020 to 22 Nov 2023 which is under process.

**FBR Tax Exemption to AMET on withholding Tax.**

13. The Trust approached FBR for grant of exemption of WHT on donations received. FBR granted the exemption U/S 2 (36) which expired on 28 Nov 2020. A case for renewal of the exemption in question is being taken up with FBR.

**Registration of Trust with Economic Affairs Division (EAD).**

14. Details are as under: -

- a. Foreign donors were keen to support the education programmes of the Trust. Registration with the Economic Affairs Division Government of Pakistan is a pre-requisite to receive donations from abroad. AMET folder meeting the requirements of EAD was submitted on 07 July 2020. Essential details submitted by the Trust were shared by EAD with the Intelligence Bureau (IB). IB field staff conducted a ground check and submitted a positive report to the EAD.
- b. Ministry of Foreign Affairs was also approached by the EAD for grant of NOC which has since been granted. Consequently AMET now stands registered with the EAD Government of Pakistan and eligible to receive foreign donations.

**Audit of Trust Accounts.**

15. The annual audit of the Trust accounts for Fy-2019/20 has been conducted by Amir Alam and Company, a QCR rated company, from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 to 30 June 2020. The accounts have been declared satisfactory.

**Financial Management.**

16. It is heartening to report that during the year 2020, 728 students (423 Fresh Cases Plus 305 Carry Over Cases) were provided benefits worth Rs 30.97 millions despite difficulties faced due to COVID-19. During this period Rs 5.8 million were spent on administrative expenses.

**Conclusion.**

17. The year under review has ended at a satisfactory note. With the award of scholarships to 423 students in year 2020 total number of beneficiaries supported by the Trust stands at a respectable total of 1660 students. Targets set for year 2020 could not be met in entirety due to the adverse impact of COVID-19. It is felt that with the addition of foreign donors as well as donors like MPCL and FFBL the Trust will be able to take care



of increased number of beneficiaries and enlarge its area of coverage particularly in Sindh and Balochistan. The scholarships offered by Riphah University would lead to opening up new avenues for beneficiary students interested in pursuing higher education. AMET acknowledges the unflinching support of its donors and looks forward to their continued association. May Allah help us in our resolve.

Chairman  
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