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CDSS Newsletter

Summer - 2016

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Agha Hasan Abedi Founder of CDSS conceived the idea of this township in early 1980s. Founder's Day is celebrated on 14th May every year, this being his birthday. Mr. Swaleh Naqvi, Chief Advisor CDSS was the chief Guest on 14 May 2016 when Teachers, Students with Parents and Staff celebrated the Day this year.

Equal Learning Opportunities



Health Facilities



Women Empowerment



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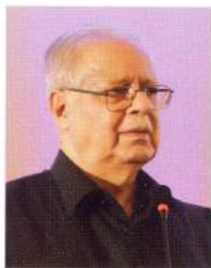
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Korangi Academy - An Institution, An Opportunity

Swaleh Naqvi, *Chief Advisor*

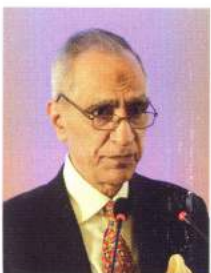
By experience I can say that one's security is not in money or material possessions but in sincere relationships and purity of faith. Our teachers should teach this and other moral values to their students as a part of their character building.



Teamwork & Harmony

Nazim F. Haji, *Vice President, CDSS*

CDSS is a campus that performs multi-dimensional tasks assigned to it by Governing Body inclusive of education, health, skill development and community services. Achievement of its mission depends upon centralized, coordinated and cooperative functioning in order to avoid duplication of administrative facilities wherever possible. It is thus vitally important to inculcate a healthy trend of teamwork and harmony amongst the staff to provide most efficient and timely administrative support for the delivery of services by various units systematically and efficiently. Bottom line is economy of our system and effort. I am glad that in CDSS we observe this practice strictly to utilize maximum fund for operational use rather than administrative purpose.



Human Existence

Rear Admiral (Retd.) Syed A. Baqar, *HI(M) Chief Executive - CDSS*

The age of Information technology has dramatically revolutionized our world at a pace we never anticipated. Access to information is just push of a button away. I realize that the times are changing and our children are becoming both bold and confident but we must not let it happen at the cost of discipline, moral values and patriotism.

Discipline is a vital element in the process of educating young generation and nation building. I have taken it as a mission to ensure that every individual, student and staff understand the value of this indispensable trait. Discipline is vital to every society. For humans it is even more important like our spinal column. Without such regulation it is not possible to maintain humanness and transmit it to posterity through generation. Such regulation contributes to the glory of human existence.



Empowerment

Capt. (Retd.) Muhammad Zahoor, *TI(M) PN- GM (Operations & Projects) CDSS*

No doubt education is a dynamic continuous process. It means much more than imparting instruction in the process of teaching few subjects. In this modern era, the scope of education has enhanced many fold. As a matter of fact education has become a matter of life and death for our nation and it's the only tool which can lead to progress and prosperity.

This year has been very rewarding for the CDSS not only in the field of Education but in the field of extracurricular activities too. Our students have excelled in academics and sports by achieving good results and winning major tournaments. The publication of fifth issue of "EMPOWERMENT" will certainly give you the glimpse of these activities.

May ALLAH help us all in our endeavors (Ameen).

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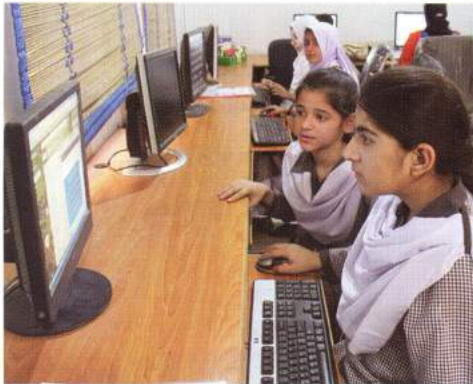
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Use of ICT In Schools

By Muhammad Atif Kamal
Manager I.T., INFAQ Foundation

There is also a growing trend in most of the leading schools of Europe, USA and Asia including few in Pakistan to have fully digitized curriculum integrated with emerging technologies of ICT like interactive whiteboards, web portals, mobile technologies & seamless communications technologies. After adoption of e-curriculum/e-books schools are experiencing rejuvenation and enthusiasm in teaching & learning with no bounds on time and location.



At schools students are using amazing internet resources like interactive online educational games, webinars, web portals and downloadable videos for reinforcement of curriculum goals and for better grasping highly complex & delicate concepts using animated videos and graphics. On educational website students can learn at their own pace, they can self-assess themselves through trial & error options, they can participate in quizzes and tests and enjoy the whole learning process.

Korangi Academy (CDSS) is also not far behind the elite schools of city in terms of providing access to computers to create effective teaching & learning platforms to teachers and students. Presently there are around 80 computers in KA which have been deployed in various learning spaces of the school like

Computer Labs (Junior & Senior Sections), Libraries (Junior & Senior), Eureka Lab (an animation-based educational software for the students of class III to XII) Language Lab (for gaining English language proficiency) and Smart Classrooms (for visual presentation of lectures using multi-media projectors and multi-media computers).

The overall ICT competency level of a school and its students cannot be possible without raising the proficiency of its teaching faculty. The present strength of active members of teaching faculty is of 64 who are now well versed in basic ICT skills like knowledge of fundamentals of information technology, basics of internet and its effective use, how to use E-mailing systems, preparing documents using Ms-Word, compiling computational sheet in Ms-Excel etc.

CDSS GENEROUS DONORS

"It is in 'GIVING' that one discovers himself and his relationship with his Creator. We were all born out of the instinct of 'GIVING', and we all possess a strong inescapable instinct to GIVE."

Agha Hasan Abedi
Founder

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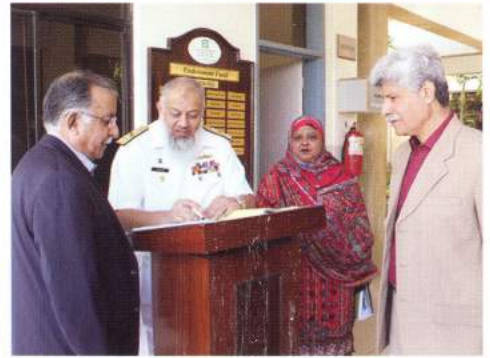


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Visitors To Korangi Academy



Vice Admiral Syed Arifullah Hussaini, SI(M), HI(M), TBt, Commander Pak Fleet visited CDSS/KA



Admiral (R) M. Asif Sandila NI(M), former Chief of the Naval Staff Pakistan visited CDSS/KA



Mr. Sohail Kizilbash former Secretary General, INFAQ Foundation and his niece Ms. Komal Rizvi a Pakistani actress, singer, songwriter, and a television host visited CDSS/KA

Karachi Literature Festival

The Karachi literature Festival (KLF) is the momentum reflects the depth of our historical literary and cultural roots, energy, knowledge, understanding, and creative growth in Pakistan. The first of a kind in Pakistan, the KLF bring together and celebrate authors writing in diverse languages, genres and traditions. They feature debates, discussions, lectures, mushaira, a book fair, book launches, readings, signings, comedy, satire, theatre, music, and children's sessions such as storytelling, puppetry, painting, singing, and creative movement.

CDSS took a part in 7th Karachi Literature Festival held on February 5 ~ 7, 2016 at Beach Luxury Hotel, Karachi. The aim of CDSS is to generate funds and spread awareness about their work for the underprivileged societies of Karachi.

More than 500 students of Korangi Academy visited KLF along with their teachers. Students took advantage of KLF by participating in different session and activities through the day. This has given them an opportunity to learn and experience new things.

Governing Board INFAQ Foundation introduced its maiden INFAQ Best Urdu Fiction Prize which will become a regular feature.

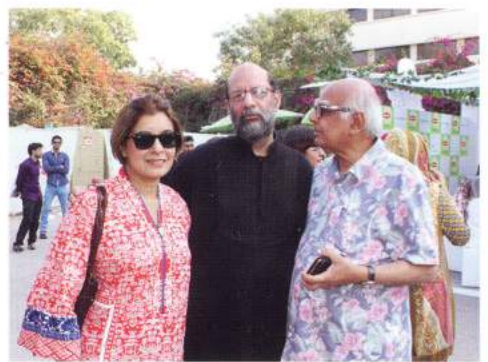


Dr. Arfa Sayeda Zehra received award on behalf of Ms. Najeeba Arif from Rear Admiral (Retd.) Syed A. Baqar, HI(M), CE, INFAQ FOUNDATION



Ms. Ameena Saiyid, Managing Director Oxford University Press & Founder of KLF in Conversation with Advisor CDSS

CDSS Stall at Karachi Literature Festival 2016. Farhana Mowjee, Jimmy Engineer & Other Celebrities visit.



100 % Term Attendance

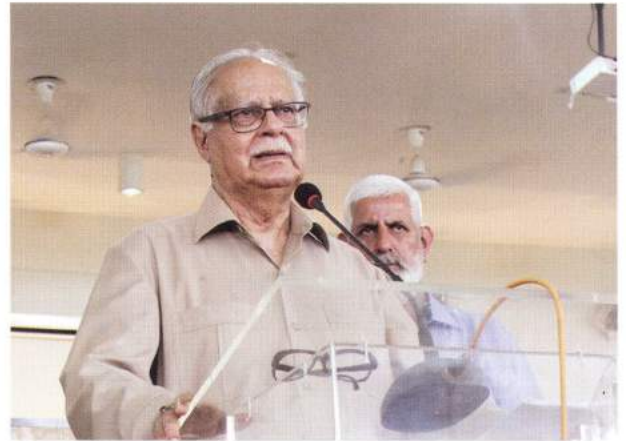


Hi-Tea with School Management Council

Agha Hasan Abedi Founder's Day Celebration & Annual Prize Distribution



Korangi Academy students presented tribute to Agha Hasan Abedi Saheb



Mr. Swaleh Naqvi, Chief Advisor CDSS, Chief Guest addressed the gathering and briefed them about mission and objectives of CDSS/KA



IETC Group Photograph with **Mr. Swaleh Naqvi**, Chief Advisor, Head IETC **Ms. Saira Zaidi** along with Teachers & Students



BCCIANS & Well-wishers of CDSS/KA group photograph with **Mr. Swaleh Naqvi**, Chief Advisor CDSS



Korangi Academy Group Photograph with **Mr. Swaleh Naqvi**, Chief Advisor, along with Rear Admiral (Retd.) **Syed A. Baqar**, Chief Executive - CDSS & Capt. (Retd.) **Muhammad Zahoor**, GM (Operations & Projects) CDSS

Annual Prize Distribution - 2015~16



Mr. Nazim F. Haji –Vice President giving Best Performance Award



Mr. M. R. Mehkari –Member Governing Board giving Best Achievement Award to KA students



Rear Admiral (Retd.) **Syed A. Baqar**, HI(M), Chief Executive giving Best Achievement Award to KA students



Mr. Swaleh Naqvi, Chief Advisor CDSS, giving Teachers Best Performance Award



Children performing Tableau



Students & Teachers celebrating Eid Milad-un-Nabi



Hockey Team Triumph



Reception was given to the Korangi Academy hockey team on winning Inter School Hockey Championship beating Habib Public School

In House Speech Competition INFAQ Education & Training Centre vs Korangi Academy



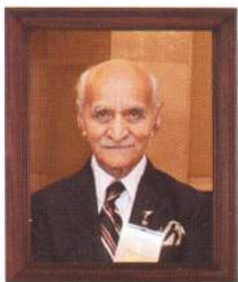
Inter Schools Speech Contest



Ms. Ayesha Aziz, Managing Director, Pak Brunei Investment Company as Chief Guest at Korangi Academy Annual Inter School Contest

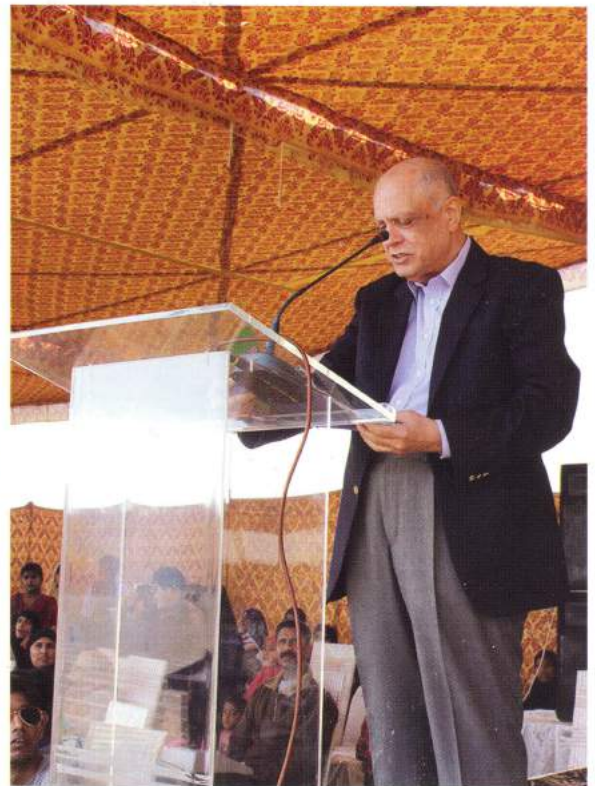
OBITUARY

Feb 9, 2016



Mr. Mehmood A. Kidwai a INFAQ Foundation colleague, a caring father and a kind human being left for his eternal abode on Feb 9, 2016. May Allah rest his soul in peace . Ameen

Middle & Senior Sections - Annual Sports Day



Mr. Anwer A. Gillani, Secretary General, INFAQ Foundation was the chief guest for the occasion

Agha Hasan Abedi - A Legend

By A.B. Shahid (Banker)



May 14 marks the 95th birthday of late Agha Hasan Abedi who remains a legend because he was blessed with incredible vision - a quality that distinguishes leaders from the ordinary. He remains the first individual in history who created the largest privately owned commercial bank to provide greater market access to the Third World Countries; in just 16 years, it built its branch network in 64 countries and representative offices in another 6. His landmark achievement wasn't rooted in rich family background, a Master's or PhD degree in business or economics, or any supportive connections. In fact, he obtained his Master's degree in English Literature from Lucknow University and went into the banking profession because that's what the Raja Sahib of Mahmudabad advised his father, and had him appointed as an officer in Habib Khan Ltd (HBL), Bombay.

Before the partition of India, he became Manager of HBL's Delhi branch where the Muslim League maintained its account, and because of his admiration for the Quaid, every morning he would meet him on his visit to the Quaid's residence to collect the donations received for the party the day before - a relationship that had a lasting impact on his personality. He continued to serve in HBL after migrating to Pakistan. In 1962, became the head of HBL's Northern region, but left HBL to form the United Bank Ltd. This was because in

his visionary perception, HBL wasn't liberalising its policies fast enough to materialise the potential of Pakistan's economy which, during 1960-1965 registered average annual GDP growth rate of 6.4% -second highest in Asia after Japan. Creating UBL was a great achievement, but the 1965 Indo-Pak war and the saga of 1971, and thereafter PPP's nationalisation of Pakistan's business, industry and financial services convinced him that he could do more to contain poverty. He therefore decided to shift the global landscape to bridge the gaps between the First, Second and Third World countries. This idea prompted him to create Bank of Credit & Commerce International (BCCI) in September 1972. He focused on helping the Third World countries to optimise the output of their human and material resources by setting-up industrial bases that could help export value-added versions of their raw materials - the quest that required BCCI to expand its global branch network. Equally important was awakening the Third World to the developing global economic realities.

In 1979, Agha Sahib launched the "North-South Monitor" in cooperation with the Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London, and BCCI began funding analytical studies on the state of the North-South dialogue, and also set-up the Third World Foundation to publish the research papers of the University of London and the London School of Economics. Being one of visionary corporate executives who visualised the challenges the changing profile of the world was bound to pose in the 21st century, he mustered the support of economists and leaders like the former US President Jimmy Carter in creating awareness about these challenges, and with this aim BCCI created a think tank called "Vision-2000" chaired by Jimmy Carter.

Challenges posed by the herculean task of connecting the Third World with the rest of the world required developing BCCI staff's skills in line with the evolving needs. Therefore, BCCI's International Management Development Division (IMD) set-up training centers in 7 countries across the globe to train its employees via

live case studies to acquire purpose-oriented banking skills; today, many of them hold senior positions in banks across the world. Being a visionary, Agha Sahib was also the first banker to give the software designer NCR the idea of linking global branch networks to consolidate books of accounts (and thus risk) in real-time.

Agha Sahib's sense of corporate social responsibility was exemplary. In exchange for tax exemption, BCCI committed to the government of Pakistan that profit of its Pakistan operations will be used entirely for funding poverty alleviation projects via the BCCI Foundation (now Infaq Foundation), which donated millions to hospitals and schools besides financing the Orangi Pilot Project, the GIK Institute of Technology (now a university), and Pakistan's first IT training institution - FAST. Pakistan wasn't the sole beneficiary of BCCI's corporate social responsibility; many under-developed countries were its beneficiaries. Even in the UK, BCCI acquired the Cromwell Hospital major portion of whose services was reserved for the needy who were also helped to travel to the UK from abroad.

Agha Sahib was the most remarkable individual I had the fortune to interact with. More than a banker, he was a visionary with a remarkable perception of what was coming - quality that is the greatest divine gift. He believed that mankind could achieve far more if only it understood the divine scheme. He believed that we all have a purpose in life, and must feel honored to have been chosen for the task of building the future using our vision and managerial capacities. According to him, desires are the essence of our psyche but their materialisation can't herald a better future unless their outcome conforms to the divine scheme. If we channel our desires in life-supporting directions, we will gracefully ride the highway of evolution, provided we develop the ability to manage this enterprise - the world - which has two components that managers often overlook and therefore need reminding. The first is awareness of what is happening around us, and the second is the ability to ride that evolutionary wave. But success requires developing a "joint vision" because without this cohesion, success could either be partial or depict a shabbily covered conflict rooted in disbelief about the rationality and integrity of its purpose.

What he achieved in his lifetime owes itself to this perception about the purpose of life and the role of management in materialising it. God bless his soul for making us more humane, caring, and purpose-oriented for the sacred responsibilities we shouldered. Is there anything else you need to face your Creator, with the hope of being forgiven for your un-intended errors?

Giving Humility & Compassion

Management & Parents Interaction



Library Day Celebration



IETC Mela



Empowering People Through Income Generating Projects: Evidence From CDSS

Mrs. Saira Zaidi, Head of INFAQ Education Training Centre(IETC)

We believe that income generating projects are a practical solution to empowering under privileged communities and one of the strategies to bring positive change in living conditions.

IETC Social Work Department creates opportunities for the people by involving them in income generating projects. Annual Fun Mela is one of the important activities, in this regard. This year Community Fun Mela was held on 19 January, 2016 at MPH.

An estimated turnout was over 3,000 (Three thousand). Effectiveness of this event may be gauged by the fact that there were thirty five stalls which generated a combined profit of Rs. 175,000 (One Hundred Seventy Five Thousand). This mela was attended by over 3,000 people which created a comprehensive opportunity for the community people to enjoy and earn.

The success of the initiative resulted in a demand for holding this event monthly so that people can invest their monthly income, to set up stalls and in turn earn some extra money for their families.



CDSS PROJECTS

About CDSS

INFAQ Foundation had purchased a plot of about 100 acres from Karachi Development Authority in 1985 for development of Social Services (CDSS) in 2001. It was registered under the Society Act of 1860. The Governing Body is the primary policy making forum of CDSS has appointed a Management Committee to supervise the day to day management of the Korangi Projects.

The objectives of this initiative are to promote community welfare programs including community development, provide quality education and medical aid to the poor, and support meritorious students for higher studies.

Korangi Academy (KA)

Korangi Academy was established in 2001 to impart quality education and enhance faculties of the talented and deserving children of deprived families. This three-storey, elegantly designed and custom-built educational complex has a total covered area of 94,390 sq. ft. It has well-equipped science labs, computer labs and audio visual aid labs, as well as a well-maintained library. Besides hockey/cricket/-football fields, canteen & cafeteria, there is also a modern Multipurpose Hall with a capacity to accommodate around 1,000 people.

INFAQ Education & Training Centre (IETC)

This girls' only institute aims to provide quality informal and formal education through its Senior Girls' School, Intermediate Girls' College, Graduate Classes and Elementary Teachers' Training. The courses offered by IETC are registered with Education & Literacy Department of Sindh.

INFAQ Community Healthcare Centre (IHC)

IHC was established in 2001 to provide healthcare services to students of CDSS projects and their families. It has now grown into a fully-functional primary healthcare centre, catering to the needs of the surrounding population. Around 300 patients visit the IHC daily who avail these services for a token fee of Rs. 10.

Craft Training & Adult Literacy Centre (CTALC)

CTALC was formed by CDSS and is being managed by Behbud Association Karachi since November 2002. This centre aims to empower the community girls around the CDSS through acquiring technical/vocational skills. CDSS is responsible to run this centre besides providing building and equipment, while Behbud, with its vast experience in running women empowerment projects, provides expertise and management.

SOS Technical Training Institute (CDSS Campus)

SOS Technical Training Institute is a joint venture of SOS Children's Villages of Sindh and INFAQ Foundation. INFAQ is responsible to bear the cost of building, equipment, furniture, fixtures and training aids for the Institute, while SOS Children's Villages of Sindh provides running expenses to manage the Institute as a social welfare project.

Boys Hostel

KA has the facility of a full fledged hostel. The ORP students live in it throughout the academic session at no cost.

Additionally, the students appearing in Boards examinations are provided hostel facility for 4 months before the examination. This facility allows the students to prepare for the examination with concentration which is not available to them in their domestic environment. The hostel is closely supervised by wardens

INFAQ Graduate Institute for Teachers Education – IGITE

IGITE offers bachelor programme in Education (B.Ed.). It aims to make a positive contribution to the Government's Policy of teachers' development to improve the standard of education by providing qualified and trained teachers to the schools system in Pakistan. The institute is equipped with purpose-built infrastructure, computer lab and library to provide opportunities to trainee teachers in enhancing their competence and knowledge. Admissions are given on priority basis to residents of Malir, Landhi and Korangi and other areas to facilitate people belonging to these areas to receive high class education near their home. Presently 13 female students, mostly from low income class are studying in IGITE on concessional tuition fees.



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