

MOMTAJ FOUNDATION Annual Report

by Chairman and Trustee Mr Syed Ahmed



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Dear valued Donor,

This is the MOMTAJ FOUNDATION's first annual report for our donors, partners, stakeholders, and the general public. The foundation would not be possible without you, so thank you for your support and donations to date.

I want to update you on how we have distributed MOMTAJ FOUNDATION donations, our impact, and how it transforms lives.

I'm also delighted to share that we are launching our 2024 100% Zakat-compliant Ramadan campaign again in collaboration with the global charity LaunchGood, which has raised more than \$510.1 million from 1.6 million donors across 153 countries. We aim to provide food (Iftar and Suhoor) to hundreds of impoverished families for the entire month so that they are well-nourished during this blessed month. Please join us in this campaign.

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MOMTAJ FOUNDATION is a registered charity with the CIO, charity number 1200311. This is our first annual report summarising our key activities in a very short period, mainly the last 12 months.

First, let me explain our purpose, which was inspired by Momtaj Begum, my late beloved sister and mother, to our trustee, Mikail Uddin. She was a passionate fundraiser and supported impoverished families. Her humility and passion for empowering the underprivileged are why we founded the MOMTAJ FOUNDATION. Our website will expand on this further: www.momtajfoundation.com.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to introduce our team to you. The foundation's board trustees consist of myself, Mr Syed Ahmed, Miss Nabeela Raza, and Mr Mikail Uddin, supported by our Treasury manager, Mr Dhan Miah and distribution project manager, Mr Helal Ahmed, further supported by the project teams that work alongside our Project

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Manager on construction projects and distribution. We are so grateful for our extraordinary team.

Our vision is to eradicate single-female family struggles in third-world countries and empower these families to thrive by providing food, education, and a clear support path. In our first full year in operation, we have focused on communities in Bangladesh, my birth country; however, our ambitions stand far and wide, in fact, worldwide. We have a 100% donation strategy, and to date, no team member has taken a salary for their relentless commitment; we are so grateful for their dedication and passion.

What impact have we had so far?

Our headline stats for 2023 and 2024 and KPIs (key performance indicators) are below; these will make more sense when you read below.

- o 103 families have access to fresh water from our excavation projects.
- o 50 We support over 50 children and Orphans.
- o 20 We have supported and empowered 20 female-led families.
- 9 We have had 9 home economic graduates from our training programmes.
- o **9** We have planted 9 deep tube water wells providing fresh water to hundreds.
- o **6** We have built 6 new homes.
- o **3** We have bought 3 Tuk-tuk's for transportation and logistics needs.
- We have partnered with 2 corporate sponsors providing monthly donations.

Transportation & Logistics

As we deliver food throughout Bangladesh. We have invested in 3 TukTuks (minivans). Thus, we created three jobs, touching 3 family livelihoods. These TukTuks deliver our food to the families we support nationally and generate a monthly income which provides food to 4 families we support, a perfect ecosystem.

We are providing vital essentials to the families we support

We have supported 20 families, so that's 50 children. We provide donations for their monthly food, education, medical support, and home economics training so that the mother-leader can earn a small income for her family. I am delighted to share that 9 of our families have graduated since our support and no longer need our help; thus, they are entirely self-reliant to provide for their families. We love this!



A sustainable home to live in

Some of the families we supported needed a suitable living arrangement, and their situation was difficult, so we used your funds to build 6 new homes. All these families are living in safe, robust homes built to last.

We love empowerment through self-achievement

We all know how good it feels to achieve and provide for the people you love. We provided home economics training and sewing machines and taught them how to make garments. I'm delighted to share that we have had 9 graduates from the training programme, and now they are earning an income from selling garments they make for their local community,

Safe drinking water is essential for life

Unfortunately, many of the families we support were in communities where the water was contaminated and unsafe to drink, or there was no water... (imagine that!). I'm delighted to share that we could fund the development; our construction team excavated and built 9 deep water well projects serving nine communities, so that's 103 families! Now, with safe and fresh drinking water. Amazing!

Warm clothes and fancy brands!

Led by our inspiration trustee, Nabeela Raza, and our lead fundraiser, Nabeela gathered a massive shipment of clothes from friends and family. Some designer brands, such as Gucci, D&G, and LVMH, were shipped to our families, and you should have seen the smiles on their faces; it goes to show that brand love is global!

Weddings and Celebration

Occasionally, we hear of weddings in our communities, and who doesn't love a wedding? So, we became involved and provided the food for the main wedding party, and let's say everyone was well-fed and enjoyed themselves.

A story of hope

I wanted to end my report with a story that moved us.

We found out that one of our driver's 8-year-old son, Sammi, was desperately ill. He had developed a brain tumour and had been struggling for many months, and the family could not cover the cost of the treatment, which was critical and could be fatal. So, we acted fast. Our project manager, extraordinaire Helal Bhai, raised this with the board and pushed us to action immediately, which we did. I am delighted that we could fund the treatment, and Sammi is improving. We will keep you posted about his developments.

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Our year-end accounts

I am delighted to share that we have funded tens of thousands of pounds of projects. The board will file our accounts with the CIO, and our end-of-year report will be available for you to review.

Conclusion

OUR ZAKAT-COMPLIANT RAMADAN CAMPAIGN WITH GLOBAL CHARITY LAUNCHGOOD

Thank you for reading this report. I hope we have demonstrated that we are a high-performing team and are spending your donations to create a huge impact and, importantly, help families thrive. We are a small foundation with big ambitions. We could not work without your support, so please continue supporting these families.

The team at MOMTAJ FOUNDATION would be grateful if you could support our Ramadan campaign to feed hundreds of impoverished families. To do so, please click the campaign link provided by our team.

Also, if you want to support our charity, please choose a donation package on our website. You can also donate via our bank account or set up a direct debit using the details below.

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Yours sincerely, Syed Ahmed

Chairman and Trustee,
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