

RURAL MASJID IN PAKISTAN

• **Donor**: Halal Food Diary

Donor ID: 3002985

Location: Village Chhito Junejo, District Badin, Sindh

• Size: 24 x 30 feet (capacity of 250 people)

• Date: February 2021



Major Giving was established 15 years ago to provide tailor-made support for donors who want to fund their own charitable project.

Over the years, we have helped our donors to establish much needed:

- Solar powered electric wells,
- Water filtration plants,
- Reverse osmosis water filtration plants,
- Basic health units,
- Eye camps,
- Mosques,
- Large educational complexes,
- Small rural schools,
- State of the art schools

which have all been built throughout Africa and Asia.

'When the son of Adam dies,
his deeds come to an end
except for three things,
Sadaqah Jariyah (continuing charity)
knowledge which is beneficial,
or a virtuous descendant
who prays for him'.

[Muslim]

Our experienced team is more than happy to advise you on your payment schedule. Please get in touch under majorgiving@muslimhands.org.uk.

Project Types



Rural Masjids provide remote villages with a space where they can worship, learn and come together as a community.



Our different kinds of **Wells** can serve up to 10,000 people with clean, safe water.



Our **Livelihoods** projects empower widows and other vulnerable members of the communities we work in with opportunities to earn their own income.



Health Projects like eye camps can transform thousands of lives.



Schools & Classrooms

create safe learning environments and better futures for disadvantaged children.



Our experienced team of experts can help make **Your idea** a reality.

Project Report

Muslim Hands work in Pakistan

In terms of reach, our team in Pakistan has been able to provide aid and relief to people across many parts of the country. Our programmes in Pakistan span over several districts including Punjab, Sindh and KPK. Under the supervision of the UK Head Office, Muslim Hands Pakistan has established several schools throughout the country including in Islamabad, Wazirabad, Lahore and Quetta which provide education to hundreds of orphan and needy children. Other work in the country includes feeding programmes, income generation schemes and safe water projects.

All of this would not be possible without the intervention of our donors who have time and time again provided the essential funds required to carry out this work. Our plans and strategy for the future require more intervention, more funds and more donors playing a vital role within the development of Pakistan.

Our Masjid Programme

By the grace of Allah, Muslim Hands has over 10 years of experience working in the field of Masjid construction. So far, Muslim Hands has built over 400 Masjids in 15 countries. Our unique program ensures that we select the people and locations which are most deserving of the Masjid. We also take measures to ensure that the Masjid will be maintained and looked after by giving the community responsibility and ownership of the project. This ensures that the Masjid continues to provide long term benefit long after the construction is completed.

Our Masjid program in Pakistan spans over several districts including Punjab, Sindh and KPK. The impact of this has been massive with hundreds of villagers who were previously unable to afford to build their own Masjid, now being able to access a Masjid in their own area.

The importance of your Masjid donation

The Beloved Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said "Whoever constructs a Masjid for Allah, Allah will construct for him a house in Paradise." The immense reward attached to the act of building a Masjid shows us its importance.

It is well known that many regions in Pakistan suffer from high levels of poverty. Various factors contribute to this and this has led to many problems for the citizens of Pakistan in the fields of education, health and water. Further to this, the religious and spiritual needs of the Pakistani people have also suffered. The majority of the Pakistani population are devout Muslims who follow Sunni orthodox creed. Despite this, there is a still a shortage of Masjids and locations for teaching Islam in rural Pakistan.

The ethical and moral teachings of Islam are vital to learn and experience. The daily prayers, regular learning and Islamic environment provided by the Masjid are conducive to producing positive, responsible citizens who practice excellent conduct with others. The Masjid and the activities taking place inside it can fulfil the spiritual and physical requirements of the community.

Needs assessment

Before deciding upon a location for your Masjid, we needed to consider various factors to ensure that your donation was spent in the best way and that the Masjid would have the most impact. Through the Muslim Hands needs assessment scheme, we have a waiting list of villages around the country who have applied to have a Masjid in their locality. Once a donation is secured from the kind donor, we can then visit the site and establish whether or not they meet the criteria for being selected to receive the Masjid. The criteria include various factors with one of those being that the community cannot afford to build their own Masjid. Other considerations we consider are the distance from another Masjid as well as the community's ability to look after the Masjid and appoint their own Imam. Once we established that the community was deserving of the Masjid, we informed them of the good news of your donation.

Choosing the location

After completing a needs assessment, it was determined that this was the neediest and most deserving location for this Masjid. Prior to this intervention, they had no easy access to a suitable Masjid.

Construction

The next stages included hiring the contactors, agreeing the dates of construction with the community, determining the Qibla (and thus the positioning of the Masjid) and also transporting the materials to the site. Once this was done, construction began and, alhamdulillah, the construction was recently completed. The Masjid is now available to be used by the beneficiaries for the daily prayers.

Sustainability

To ensure that the Masjids will be maintained and will be used for many, many years to come, we form a CBO (community-based organisation) with the local community. The Masjid is officially handed over to them and they are given the responsibility for its maintenance and upkeep. The purpose of the CBO is to ensure that the community feel as though it is their Masjid and so that the building does not become neglected or abandoned.

The impact of this project

The worldly and other-worldly benefits of your wonderful donation are so great, that the impact of this project is truly beyond words! An entire village has been transformed and so have the lives of these villagers. As well as the five daily prayers, the Friday prayer and the two Eid prayers, a Masjid

can be utilised for many other purposes. The Masjid can be used as a Madrassa for teaching Quran to the children of the village and Tarawih prayers can also be performed there in the month of Ramadan. The Masjid can also provide a space to conduct marriage ceremonies (nikah) and to hold community meetings. This is helpful in increasing good relations between the community as well as resolving disputes.

We pray that this Masjid continues to provide benefit for years to come and serves as a continuous charity (sadaqa jariyah) for the donors and anyone it was donated on behalf of.

Further support

In terms of further support, there is still a need for the following:

- 1. A separate room for students who can learn the Qur'an
- 2. Solar electric system for sustainable supply of electricity
- 3. Islamic books for students
- 4. Mini shelter at the main gate of the mosque

Please contact us if you are interested in supporting this community further with any of these facilities.





























The Prophet (saw) said,

'There are three hundred and sixty bones or joints in every human being. Each day, charity must be given for each one.

Every good word is a charity, helping your brother is a charity, giving someone something to drink is a charity and removing something harmful from the road is a charity'.

[Bukhari]





