



Lore & Light Society

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1. Introduction

The Lore & Light Society is a non-profit, non-political and non-governmental humanitarian organization registered under the Voluntary Social Welfare Agencies Ordinance 1961. This organization is working for the downtrodden and needy people of Pakistan to preserve and improve their life through awareness and facilitation. It has been working in the rural/urban areas of Pakistan since 18th November 2009.



Objectives

- To struggle for the elimination of poverty through skill development.
- To build capacity within the community so that they can help themselves to overcome their poverty.
- To work for the betterment of children, youth and adults through education.
- To establish and run local institutions in underprivileged communities.
- To provide preventive health care education and awareness about hygienic environment.
- To arrange basic health care services and medicine for the communities.
- To build inter religious and inter denominational harmony amongst different people.
- To struggle for basic human right of the oppressed communities.
- To equip the farmers with latest agricultural and farming reforms.

- To do women empowerment and child care in rural areas.
- To create networking with other national & international Organization.

2. Achievements

In response to the urgent need that arose in result of the flood of 2011, the Lore & Light Society came up with urgent rehabilitation work in the affected areas. The Society has actively been participating in the emergency relief work at national level at the time of any need and natural disasters. Since its start, the society has been working vigorously for the needy people of the flood affected areas in Pakistan. During the time of this report, the society has distributed a huge amount of food items and non-food items to meet the urgent needs of the flood affected people.

a) Distribution of Food Items

The Society supplied the food items amongst 243 families of villages Dher, Jaba, Brotha & Bagh Nelab (Distt: Attock).



The Society also supplied non-food items amongst 513 families of villages Khaiabad, Malai Tola, Attock Khurd, Dher, Jaba, Brotha & Bagh Nelab (Distt: Attock).



The Society distributed pedestal fans amongst 40 families of village Brotha (Distt: Attock).



In September 2011, the Society supplied the food items amongst 200 families of Chak 8 in the district of Sangar (Sindh).



Again in October 2011, the same type of food bags were distributed amongst the 300 flood affected families of Chak 7 in the district of Sangar (Sindh).

Each bag contained flour, dal (pulses), rice, sugar, tea leaves, chanay (grams), cooking oil, milk powder (nido), toilet soap, washing soap, mineral water, salt etc.

b) Distribution of non-Food Items

In December 2011, the Society supplied the non-food items amongst 300 families of Chak 10, Chak 39, Bachal Wassan, Goth Ajmal, Zamani Goth, Soomar Goth, UC Kehore in the district of Sangar (Sindh). Each bag contained 2 quilts & 2 cotton mattresses along with some food items milk powder (nido), flour and pickle.



c) Vocational Training Centre (Sewing Centre)

In September 2011, the Society distributed sewing machines amongst widows of Dher, Jaba & Brotha and started a Vocational Training Centre for the young girls of the three villages (Dhar, Brotha, Jaba of Distt: Attock. This centre is functioning well. At present, there are 42 young girls who are learning the art of sewing clothes. Since the people in these areas find difficult to look for jobs therefore this sewing training will help them in earning some additional income for their homes.



d) Vocational Training Centre (Beauty Parlor)

The Society is running a Vocational Training Centre (Beauty Parlor) for the young girls of different areas of Islamabad. So far, almost 46 young girls have learnt the art of makeup. They have also learnt the art of candle making, artificial flower making and dough work. These trainings are helping them to earning additional income for their family members.



e) Fuel Bricks training Program

This training program was held in Hansa Colony and tent colony where Sui Gas is not available for cooking food.

Many families learnt very well that how they can make fuel bricks with a special wooden machine for making fire in their handmade stoves.



f) Medical Camps

The society has been organizing free medical camps for the people living in the remote areas. It has been working for the women empowerment through their skill enhancement and facilitation in different areas. We are dedicated to discover the innovative solution for community specific issues. In June 2012, the Society arranged medical camps for the 247 needy people of village Sabjal (Tehsil Fateh Jang, Distt: Attock).



g) Seminars

The Society organized different seminars on the topic “Community Welfare Awareness” for the marginalized communities.



h) Ongoing Projects (Hand Pumps)

- i. In 2011, the Society started working on providing the pure water facility to the people of the village Dher including Jaba and Brotha (Distt: Attock). These hand pumps were drilled and installed in 10 different corners of the target area. The need arose because the people were living without pure drinking water.



- ii. In March 2012, the Society started working on providing the pure water facility to the people of the village Dher (Distt: Attock). These ten hand pumps are being drilled and installed in different corners of the target area. This

project is still in progress. It will be completed by the end of July 2012. In mentioned areas the water was not clean for drinking, cooking and hands toilet use.



The Society not only provided the people with pure drinking water but it also educated them on how to keep and use clean water for the day to day needs of their family members. In these formational training sessions, twenty five women regularly participated in the class. After having completed the first phase of the project, the Society got the feedback about the outcome of project. The people are so happy and grateful with the help of clean water through hand pumps. People of these villages are in need of more help like food, financial support and construction for their broken houses.

i) Distribution of Blankets

In response to the newly arisen need of the people, the Society has distributed two 2ply double bed blankets and two cotton mattresses per family amongst 80 families of the villages Dher (Distt: Attock).



j) Distribution of School Kits for Kids

In response to meet the educational needs of the students of the Tent Colony in Sector H-9 (Islamabad), the Society has distributed 60 school kits amongst the students. This short and simple program was held on 30th June 2012 in the presence of the executive members of the society as well as the residents of the locality.



3. Challenges & Problems

The Society has regularly been rendering its services towards the target groups of the people they are serving. The society is facing numerous challenges, like:

- i. The society is not having any regular, timely and long term financial assistance for its projects in different areas of the country.
- ii. The target audiences are living in the far flung areas of the country therefore the society finds it difficult to reach to the target areas.
- iii. The economical conditions of the people of the target group are very poor. They are living below the poverty line. They are living in the rented houses and even without any house.
- iv. The people are living under the poverty line therefore cannot educate their children. They even cannot provide their children medical coverage.
- v. The people of the target group are un-educated and have no jobs for their livelihood. They need to be given any suitable vocational training that may enable them to earn for their personal and family needs.



4. Future Plans

The Society is actively participating in the emergency relief work at national level at the time of need or any natural disasters. The society has planned to continue its need oriented services in the coming years in the beneficial and befitting manner. In the coming months, we have planned to start the following projects.

- i. Pre-School Classes
- ii. Computer Courses
- iii. Stitching & Embroidery
- iv. Handicrafts
- v. Nutrition Programmes
- vi. Clean water supply
- vii. Free Medical Camps
- viii. Community Health Awareness
- ix. Rehabilitation

5. Acknowledgement

During the period of this report, different persons and institutions had been providing financial assistance to the Society to actualize its projects to meet the assessed needs of the people it is serving. We are grateful to our supporters and donors who have been generous enough towards the projects of the Lore & Light Society. Their financial assistance has played a significant role in achieving the set targets and reaching out to many making their lives better. The Lore & Light Society appreciates and acknowledges the contribution of these well wishers:

A. Organizations

- i. ARLDF International (Dr. Sandra Gustin)
- ii. BGR

B. Individuals

- i. Miss Gustel Focus and their friends from Germany.
- ii. Miss Ann Hughes from UK

Contact Information

The Lore & Light Society invites its friends and well wishers to come up and support the programs and projects of the organization for the long term and sustainable development of human beings the society is working for. We are looking for more donations that may enable the society to reach out to more people in the target areas. The donations can be sent through cash, crossed cheque or online transaction.

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