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Ceremony held to unveil translation of Irfan-ul-Quran into Kashmiri language

A grand unveiling ceremony of Kashmiri translation of Irfan-ul-Quran was held in convocation hall of Shaikh-ul-Aalam Centre for Multidisciplinary Studies, University of Kashmir, Hazratbal Srinagar on 24.03.2022 wherein a large number of intellectuals, members of MQI, academicians and scholars participated.

The event was organized by Minhaj-ul-Quran International India, Jammu & Kashmir (MQIJK) and was hosted by its Srinagar unit. Syed Nade Ali, Director, Minhaj Productions India was the chief guest on occasion and Dr. Nisar Ahmad, Registrar, University of Kashmir & Dr. G.N Khaki, HOD Central Asian Languages, University of Kashmir were the guests of honour.

The programme started with recitation of Holy Quran by Qari Bakhtawar Ali followed by Naat e Shareef by Aqib Rasool both being the executive committee members of MQIJK. The other people who spoke on the occasion were Dr. Rafi ud Din Makhdoomi (HOD), Qazi Abdul Qayoom (Chairman, Shah i Hamadan Trust Pampore), Syed Ishfaq Bukhari (Islamic Scholar), Mufti Abdul Hameed Nayeemi (Secretary Ulama wa Khutba Council), Abdul Rashid Khan (Ex. President MQIJK), Mukhtar Ahmad Tantray (Ex. Secretary, MQIJK), Dr. Arshid ul Qadri (President, MQIJK) & Muhammad Ashraf Zargar (General Secretary, MQIJK). Prof. Noor Mohammad Baba (University of Kashmir), Syed Mudasir Geelani, Representative from Al Markaz ul Islamia, Peerzada Mushtaq Ahmad Masoodi (General Secretary, Shah i Hamadam Trust Pampore) were also present on the occasion.

A congratulatory audio message conveyed by Shaykh-ul-Islam Dr. Muhammad Tahir-ul-Qadri was also played during the programme.

Moulana Tariq Ahmad Saqafi (Secretary Ulama wa Khutaba Council, MQIJK, Anantnag) beautifully recited Qasida Burdah Shareef followed by welcome address by Muhammad Ashraf Zargar, General Secretary, MQIJK. Moulana Asif ul Qadri (Secretary Ulama wa Khutba Council, MQIJK, Ganderbal) coordinated the whole event.

The organizers expressed gratitude to the collaborators viz; Markaz-i-Noor, Centre for Shaikh ul Aalam Studies, University of Kashmir & Social Media Team of MQIJK for their enormous contribution in making the event a grand success.





Mysuru (India): MIWF inaugurates School for special children



Sahara school for children with special needs was inaugurated on 30th July 2022 at # 200, 2nd cross, 2nd stage opp Tippu Park in Udaygiri, Mysuru. This special school is a project by Minhaj Interfaith & Welfare Foundation (MIWF).

To grace this occasion, Mr. Ayub Ansari (Central Executive Council Member Of Minhaj ul Quran International India (MQI) General Secretary MQI Karnataka), Mr. Zubair Ansari (Central Executive Council Member of Minhaj ul Quran International India (MQI) President MQI, Maharashtra) Mr. Sayed Faraz Muhiuddin

(Central Executive Council Member of Minhaj ul Quran International India (MQI) State President MQI, Karnataka), Mrs. Malini R (District Disability Welfare Officer, Mysuru), Prof. V. Jaganatha (former scientist engineer, ISRO, Bangalore & co-ordinator, people science forum, KRVP, Mysuru), Mr. J. Govindaraju (District President, Karnataka) state government employees association, Mysuru were present as chief guests.

The program was started with a welcome speech by Dr. Alsheik Ziauddin (MIWF, head, India, central working council member of MQI, India) who addressed the gathering by introducing & welcoming all the chief guests to the inauguration ceremony.

Speaking to the gathering, all our chief guests expressed their happiness and congratulated the Sahara team and Minhaj

Interfaith Welfare Foundation for taking the initiative of opening such a special school in Mysuru.

Children with special needs are often neglected and are not exposed to society, which makes it difficult to manage them by parents, opening this Sahara special school will really help the parents as well as children to adjust with the general environment. And also spoke about co-operation facilities to aid these kids said Mr. Ayub Khan (Corporator of udaygiri), Mr Ayub Ansari (Central Executive Council Member Of Minhaj Ul Quran International India (MQI) General Secretary MQI Karnataka) Mr Zubair Ansari (Central Executive Council Member of Minhaj ul Quran International India (MQI) President MQI, Maharashtra) Mr. Sayed Faraz Muhiuddin (Central Executive Council Member of Minhaj ul Quran International India (MQI) State President MQI, Karnataka) appreciated the mission & vision of the school and promised to stand by Sahara team. Also encouraged to open up many more projects in future in all states.

Mrs. Malini R (District Disability Welfare Officer, Mysuru) speaking to the gathering said these children are not disabled, these are children with special needs, which need more care to handle. He also spoke about the difficulty in managing these kids at home and training these parents in school is one of

the important tasks which will be done in Sahara school. This will benefit many families and children with special needs & congratulated Sahara school team & MIWF & encouraged their support & efforts.

All the chief guests did the ribbon-cutting ceremony, visited a classroom for children with intellectual disability, classroom for children with autism, classroom for children with cerebral palsy and multiple disabilities, physiotherapy, occupational therapy room, speech-language therapy room, and hearing assessment room.



Irfan-ul-Quran Bengali Translation Launch Event

Alhamdulillah MQII West Bengal hosted a successful launch event of Huzur Syedi Shaykh-ul-Islam's most famous book, Irfan-ul-Quran, in Bengali language.

This event was managed under Minhaj-ul-Quran International India West Bengal.

It saw representations from CEC such as Mr. Zubair Ahmed Ansari and Minhaj Publications India, Mr. Syed Nade Ali Sahab.

Dignitaries, Sajjada Nasheens, and government officials also registered their honourable attendance at this event. We pray that ,
 "May Allah give us all taufeeq and barakah in spreading the tasaneef of HSI to every household in this country."



3000 copies of Irfan ul Quran reached institutes in Ghana

As per the request received to MQII India in 2019, 2000 Irfan ul Quran copies were sent to Ghana, and these copies were distributed to different schools and madrasas in Ghana in a well-organized way.

Due to the large Muslim population in the country, Shaykh Esa Ahmed Charitable Trust, Accra(Central Ghana), requested Minhaj ul Quran India that they needed 3000 more copies for further distribution.

Complying with the request, MQI India and MIWF ran a fundraising campaign for one month and raised the required funds. After a successful fundraising campaign, the copies of English translations of the Irfan ul Quran were printed by Minhaj Publications in India and sent via Navasheva port(Mumbai) to Ghana. Shaykh Esa and his students in Ghana expressed gratitude to MQII India for the precious gift of Quranic translation. They sent a detailed report on the distribution of copies to various Institutes of learning across Ghana. As per the report, the distribution happened in Irshadiya Islamic School (Nana Krom -500 copies), Saad Bin Abi Waqas (Kasoa - 500 copies), Balku Islamic School, Ansaruddin Islamic School(Kasoa- 600 copies), Musab Bin Umayr School (Newlegon -Acra)- 600 copies), Wale Islamic School(Wale -10 copies), Individuals (Accra - 200 copies).

May Allah SWT accept our efforts, intentions, and donations in this regard and make it a Sawab-e-Jariya...Aameen!



MIWF conducted Interfaith Eid Milan event in New Delhi

An interfaith Eid Milan event was held at Le'Elegant Function Hall in New Delhi on 15th May ,2022.

Hon'ble Member of Parliament and famous Sufi singer, Padam Shri HANS RAJ HANS JI was invited as Chief Guest. He spoke on peace and brotherhood and unity among all religions and appreciated the MLRC initiative of the promotion of interfaith through our newly launched department of interfaith and commended the organizing team for the success of the program.

The enlightening address was followed by the other eminent speakers who expressed their views on unity and love in their speech.

Swami Sushil Ji Maharaj expressed his happiness after meeting all the other speakers mainly Referring to and expressing his elation and appreciation of the large gamut of faith leaders. He especially referred to Hans Raj Hans ji and his role in building unity among the religion.



Haji Salman Chishti highlighted the importance of unity among people when they visit Ajmer dargah and how the people help and support each other in the formation of an ideal pluralistic society. Haji Salman Chishti went on to substantiate his points by quoting Khawaja Gharib Nawaz Moinuddin Chishti (R.A): "Sun like Grace, River like Generosity and Earth-like Hospitality"

This message of Harmony, Peace, and Unity among all Creations has been amplified by the Minhaj Learning & Research Centre (MLRC) and Minhaj Interfaith & Welfare Foundation through the Interfaith Eid Milan evening and the inauguration of the Inter-Faith Studies Department in New Delhi.

Father (DR) M.D. Thomas thanked the MLRC and MIWF (Minhaj Interfaith Welfare Foundation) for inviting him and for organizing a great event which he viewed as a gigantic task in these challenging times in the country. He said the great concept of Interfaith Studies enriched him as an academic discipline at MLRC. Using lofty poetry and words of wisdom, he prayed to God for universal brotherhood and showed great hope for the MLRC to bridge the gap



between different communities in India. MLRC will reach great success in strengthening interfaith harmony in India which will ultimately help in nation-building, Father Thomas said. He concluded his address by urging people to stand together to eliminate all the ills of communal hatred and social divisiveness.

Dr. Ziauddin (MIWF India - CWC Member) highlighted the work being done by MIWF since its inception and mentioned that such gatherings are important to maintain the social fabric of our society.

Paramjit Singh Chandhokji (Advisor of Delhi Sikh Gurudwara) mentioned the activities of Gurudwara which are being carried out without any discrimination for the welfare of humanity and commended the work being carried out by MIWF.

IAS Coach and motivational speaker Sameer Siddiqui highlighted the impact of social media in spreading hatred in society and said that our youth should make judicious use of it.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Rafeeq Ahmed Khan (MIWF President) who thanked all the speakers, organizers, and the audience for making the event successful.



MIWF : Share the Blessings of Qurbani 2022 – Report

*On behalf of
MIWF, we wish you
and your family a blessed
Eid al-Adha. May Allah
accept your prayers and
worship. For those who just
completed the Hajj, we pray
that Almighty Allah accepts
their pilgrimage. Aameen!*

MIWF has been carrying out Qurbani program in the poorest regions of India for the past 6 years. During this Eid-ul-Adha MIWF started the Qurbani Helpfeed campaign on 1st Zil Hajj, our donors booked 615 Qurbani shares. MIWF carried out its Qurbani campaign in West Bengal, Bihar, and Jharkhand, and the meat was distributed to approximately 39,000 needy people.

The meat of Qurbani was distributed among the poor and the needy at the following locations:

- *Rajouli and Tithouri (Bihar)*
- *Kasabgola (West Bengal) and*
- *Giridhi (Jharkhand).*



Highlighting the purpose of the Qurbani 2022 campaign, Rafeeq Ahmed Khan(President MIWF) stated that we intended to fulfill the obligation of Qurbani this year in remote areas so that the farmers and poor families living in villages get the maximum benefit of our campaign.

Dr. Zia(MIWF India - CWC Welfare) stated that MIWF has kept complete transparency in the process of the Qurbani campaign by having an online system of receipt generation and reporting on its portal and Mobile app named Minhajconnect so that donors are satisfied with the right utilization of their Qurbani donations.

Najam Syed(President of MQII West Bengal and Manager of the Qurbani project) mentioned that many of the villagers where Qurbani was done do not even have proper shelters as they were destroyed by recent storms and flooding.MIWF Team volunteers have been working strenuously for a month in these villages to identify the low-income families. MIWF was able to benefit approx 39,000 people through its Qurbani 2022 Help feed campaign.

We want to thank our donors and volunteers for making this campaign successful and pray that Almighty Allah accepts our sacrifice.



Help Feed Project 2022 of MIWF completed

The COVID-19 pandemic and deteriorating economic situation globally has pushed many of those most vulnerable even deeper into extreme poverty. Besides the tragic toll on human life, with countries shutting their borders and doing quarantines, economies have taken a huge hit. The tragedy has taken a heavy toll on the Indian economy and the job losses are mounting, especially among the daily wage workers. Many laborers have lost their informal daily wages, and now face severe levels of food insecurity. MIWF is committed to feeding these poor families to the best of its ability. We identified poor families through our volunteer teams who are working on the ground.

Alhamdulillah with the support of our generous donors, our teams completed Phase-1 of the Ramadan Helpfeed project and distributed the Ration packets to 861 needy families so far in Bhuj, Mysuru, Kolkata, Prayagraj, Mumbai, Navi Mumbai and Thane.

Our teams completed Phase-2 of the Ramadan Helpfeed project and distributed the Ration packets to 2030 families in Kutch, Mysuru, Bengaluru, Solapur, Kolkata, Mumbai, Imphal, Aurangabad, Bokaro, Allahabad and Hyderabad.



Distribution of Free copies of the book Real Sketch of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ

MQII has published a book titled **"A Real sketch of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ"** in order to introduce the world to the Holy Prophet ﷺ's attribute of being the prophet of mercy for the whole of mankind. This book is a comprehensive effigy of the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ, delving into his personality, virtues, and life. Written for both non-Muslims and Muslims alike, Shaykh-ul-Islam Dr Muhammad Tahir-ul-Qadri clears modern misconceptions and realizes the true nature of the final Prophet: a man of peace, love, and tolerance.

Minhaj ul Quran India conducted a free book distribution drive of the book - A Real sketch of Prophet Muhammad ﷺ which is available in English, Hindi, and Urdu languages.

The drive received overwhelming response from our volunteers and donors and 3000 copies of the book were distributed to religious leaders, lawyers, intellectuals, law enforcement personnel, crime branch officials, etc. across various cities in Maharashtra, Karnataka, Telangana, Gujarat, Kutch, Jammu & Kashmir, New Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal, Jharkhand, Chandigarh, etc.



MQI organized a Workers Convention for Minhaj Women League India's volunteers 26th March, 2022

The conference was attended by gatherings of women volunteers who had gathered to listen to it in Minhaj centers and halls in different parts of India. The MWL gatherings were held in cities belonging to the states of *Jammu & Kashmir, New Delhi, Punja, Chandigarh, Manipur, UP, Bihar, Uttarakhand, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Kutch, Maharashtra, Karnataka, Telangana, Kerala, etc.*

Zubair Ahmed(CEC Member) anchored the event.

Dr. Ghazala Hasan Qadri gave the keynote speech to the gathering.

In her talk she said, "The mission and purpose of MQI is to reinforce the message of Islam according to the requirements of the times. The revival of Islam was not possible without involvement of women, hence MWL was established by Shaykh ul Islam Dr. Tahir-ul-Qadri to revive the role of women

which had been forgotten in religious circles. Previously the religious circles had almost no presence of women and the secular movements were on the other extreme. Shaykh-ul-Islam Dr. Tahir ul Qadri helped to restore the rights of women that were given by Islam and provided them with representation in religious circles. In the Seerah we find that Sahabi at were active members of society and even participated in Ghazwat. Hence, Shaykh-ul-Islam reiterated the Islamic moderate vision on the role they can play in improving society.

While mentioning the challenges of the modern times, she said that individual efforts can't produce the desired effect in spreading good and preventing the society from evil. There is a need for collective efforts and strategy.

Then she mentioned Surah Fatiha where we asked for Sirat ul-Musta as the path of righteous. The leadership of the organization that we become part of is important as it gives direction and vision to its followers. "MWL has the desired leadership in the personality of Shaykh ul Islam Dr. Tahir ul Qadri who has devoted his entire life for the service of Deen. He is the reviver of our century and we are fortunate to live in his age and learn from him directly", she mentioned.

She also said that one of the greatest challenges of our times is that we are living in an age where despite advanced communication, there is growing intolerance among people of various sects and religions. Even within the homes and families, there is disunity and lack of acceptance. We are fortunate to have the platform of MQI which gave us the culture of tolerance. MQI has brought people of different sects and religions together and has given the culture of working together for betterment of humanity in spite of differences.

She suggested that it's important for MWL that they should assess the target group in the areas where they are operating and can organize programs for women. If there are Aalimas available in their areas then gatherings of knowledge can be arranged for women and children. "Halaqat e Durud is the easiest way to get connected and can be



done everywhere where MWL is having its presence", she added further. Towards the end, she made dua for acceptance of works being done by MWL India.

Shaykh ul Islam Dr. Tahir ul Qadri gave concluding speech in the conference. He said that Holy Qur'an mentions that there should be a group amongst you that should command the society to do good and forbid evil. This verse points that there should be a religious group or organisation working towards good in every age to command good to the society and guide people in becoming better human beings. MWL has been formed as per the above commandment.

He stressed the point that until there is collectivity in work it cannot produce desired results.

He stated that MQII functions like a government with each state having state coordination bodies and state heads for each vertical like Education, Welfare, Youth League, Women League, etc. CEC is an umbrella body which governs the functioning of SCC's.

He said that following MQII leadership guidelines and constitution is the key for success of this mission.

In the end, he made dua for all the MWL units working for the mission.





Independence Day celebration to commemorate 75 years of Independence

We wish everyone a Happy Independence day which marks 75 years of Independence from the British colonial regime. On this occasion, we pray to Almighty Allah that -Let peace prevail in the country, and we become free in our mind, body, faith, and soul. Let there be nothing but unity.

The Islamic traditions tell us that our country, India[Al-Hind] is a fountainhead of many great virtues. In the below article, we present a few of them.

HADRAT ADAM(AS) DESCENDED IN INDIA

According to the sayings of the Prophet Muhammad(peace be upon him)'s companion, Hadrat Abu Hurayra(RA), "Hadrat Adam(AS) - the first human being sent on earth, descended in Hind{India}." (Abu Nuaym Hilyatul Awliya , Vol 5 , Page 107 ; Imam Daylami Musnad Al-Firdous , Vol 4 , Page 271 Hadith #6798; Ibn-e-Asakir in At-Tarikh Vol 7 ,Page 437)

FIRST DIVINE REVELATION

It is India, where the Angel Gabriel (AS) descended for the first time, and thus it is this land that has the honor of receiving the first revelation of Almighty Allah on earth.

Hazrat Abu Hurayra[Radiyallahu Anhu] narrated this Hadith from Prophet Muhammad(peace be upon him) that to console Hadrat Adam(AS), Almighty Allah had sent Angel Gabriel(AS) to Hadrat Adam(AS). When he met Prophet Adam[AS], he recited: *Allahu Akbar Allahu Akbar, Ashahadu An la Ilaha Illallah, Wa Ashhadu Anna Mohammadur Rasoolullah.*

The recitation was the same as in Adhan (call for prayer) today. When Hadrat Adam (AS) heard the name 'Muhammad', he inquired: 'O' Allah! Whose name is this? Promptly came the reply: '*He is the one from among your progeny, who would be the last Prophet of humanity.*' (Tabrani, Abu Naeem, Ibn-e-A'sakir).

FIRST HAJJ ON FOOT WAS DONE FROM INDIA

Hadrat Adam(AS) traveled several times from India to Makkah for Ziyarah and it is mentioned in a tradition that he traveled 70 times on foot specifically for performing Hajj pilgrimage from India.

Hadrat Adam(AS) went to Mecca to perform Hajj from India on foot 70 times during his lifetime. He later settled in Mecca in the later part of his life. [Imam Suyuti, Al-Durr ul-Mansoor, Vol. 1 Page 314]



Muwakhat (Microfinance support) program

Mawakhat-e-Madina program has been initiated to assist small businessmen and workers with financial support. The continued rise in oil prices and depreciation of the rupee against the US dollar has increased the cost of living. With the objective of assisting those suffering from the onslaught of an economic downturn, MIWF has launched "Mawakhat-e-Madina" program to support businessmen. Under this program, financial assistance was provided. Businessmen dealing with garments, kidswear and footwear.

Speaking about the initiative Mushtaq Dalwi (Project co-ordinator, Muwakhat program) said that our aim under the Mawakhat program is to assist the small businesses which have been affected by economic crisis. Alhamdulillah this program is helping many businessmen to become self-dependent after the initial assistance provided by us.



Purpose of Al-Muwakhat

The mission is to implement an Islamic Micro-finance model to eradicate poverty and to improve the living standards of the deprived class of this society in the dreadful economic calamity by providing them with economic assistance. The ambition of the program is to serve the humanity which itself is a reflection of the MIWF's slogan. The organization will try to enhance the Islamic practices of banking to flourish the concept throughout the country enabling people to sustain ruthless economic condition.



Medical camps for free checkup

Health camps were organized by Minhaj Interfaith and Welfare Foundation at the following locations.

- Burail ,Chandigarh
- Prayagraj,Uttar Pradesh
- Kolkata,West Bengal
- Bhiwandi,Maharashtra
- Govandi,Maharashtra

The team of doctors conducted health checkup for general diseases, high blood pressure, diabetes, cardio, etc. and pre-scribed medicines for the patients. Approx. 2750 patients benefitted from these health checkup camps.



Medical assistance for cancer patients

Medical assistance has been provided to Cancer patient Dr. Esra, Afreen and Master Ismail who were undergoing treatment at Sankara hospital in Bengaluru. The funds needed for the treatment were raised through crowdfunding and disbursed directly in the account of hospital. The families of patients expressed gratitude to MIWF for arranging funds in time and saving the family from the burden of medical cost.



Blanket distribution drive

Weather is turning bitterly cold in north of India. Many cities and villages are experiencing freezing chills. Hardships of the poor and destitute people are exacerbated when heavy snowfall disrupts transportation during the winter season.

Freezing temperatures meant that thousands of families need help to stay warm and safe.

Thanks to your donations, our team was able to distribute blankets, warm clothing, and fuel to poor families. But so much more is needed, and we can't do it without your help.



HOW CAN I SUPPORT MIWF?

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