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Secretariat: Health

Report for 5th EXCO meeting for the term 2006-2009 to be held in Stanmore, England.

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1	Primary Health Care for ZCSS school	• Had meeting with ZCSS team • Feedback from Prof Sami Askari-health professionals do visit ZCSS school in Bihar • Plan to do a need assessment for primary health centre for ZCSS School in Avalkonda. Contact has been made with a supporter in Bangalore to help with need assessment	• To contact IZM to help do the need assessment for a Primary health care centre for ZCSS school in Avalkonda
2	Aeinullah Strategy	• Regular reports from all Aeinullah Clinic • Meeting with Coordinator of Lucknow to discuss plans on clinics in Lucknow • Regular contact with Bihar • Need assessment to open an Aeinullah eye clinic in Najaf has been completed	• To look into the feasibility of converting the ambulance in Lucknow into a mobile clinic • Business plan and proposal for opening an Aeinullah Eye clinic in Najaf



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3	Hajj Medical Mission	- CoEJ has had a meeting of all groups from our community within Europe and have discussed various ways of working together - We had meeting with IMI Hajj Medical Mission in Makkah this year and discussed way of providing primary health care to shia Hujjaj during Hajj - Meeting with Sec Gen of Tanzibul Makatib. He will get us contact details of Shia Groups from India	- Groups from Europe have indicated regular meetings. This project now has been fully taken over by CoEJ - IMI Hajj Medical Mission is providing excellent service to Shia Hujjaj from Pakistan. They have the manpower to provide services to Hujjaj from India and other continent but lack financial resources. WF is in the process of having an MOU with IMI Hajj Medical Mission. With the MOU in place it is envisaged that IMI Hajj Medical Mission will be able to provide health care for all shia Hujjaj from the sub-continent and also be able to provide health care facilities to all the groups from our community that do not have doctors in their group
4	Health Strategy for the community	- Having dialogue with Nasimco on best way forward to implement the Health Strategy for North America - CHB of Africa have already got their priorities and are actively working towards its implementation - HIB of Europe has appointed a new chair	- To work with Nasimco in forming a health board in North America and doing a need assessment - Providing help and assistance to CHB as and when needed - Working closely with HIB to implements its objectives
5	Links with Insurance companies	The greatest need for health insurance is in Africa. We have summarised several quotes from various companies and CHB is actively looking for the best deal for our community in Africa	Need assessment of the community members need to be done, as some are keen to have insurance for primary cover, whilst some only need specialist cover both locally and overseas



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6	High Quality, low cost access for treatment	- CHB has got panel of specialist in India providing preferential rate for our community members. CHB has also arranged 2 youth, who will arrange airport pickup, appointments with specialist and accommodation arrangement. CHB has also arrangement with few hotels whereby our community members get preferential rates - Fatimiya hospital in Karachi has got a new medical superintendent. Have had a brief discussion with him - HIB of CoEJ has taken over the patient referral programme in UK and will be handling all request coming from overseas from community members who want to be seen in the UK	To liase with Fatimiya Hospital and see what type of treatment is available in Karachi, so as to give our community members a choice of going to Pakistan for treatment
7	Needs Assessment for Elderly	- One of the priority indicated by Nasimco - Have communicate with HIB of CoEJ as well	- Will work together with Nasimco to do a need assessment - Planning a teleconference to discuss the needs



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1	Ta'lim Publications	- A Meeting was held with officials of Institute of Ismaili Studies on 19th June 2007. The World Federation was represented by Sheikh Abbas Ismail and Murabbi Hasnain Walji. At this meeting, IIS pledged their support to the reprinting of the Ta'lim series and incorporating Ithna Asheri content. A detailed proposal, timeline and changes were fully documented and presented to IIS. - A second meeting was held with IIS on 30th November 2007. The World Federation was represented by Yasin bhai Rahim. A Memorandum of Understanding was drafted and presented. IIS requested some more time to work on their side of the proposals and principle agreement was reached.	Follow up with IIS in early February 2008
2	High Quality niche market publications (2)	There are 4 niche market publications in the pipeline. The quality and substance is planned to be of an enhanced nature which means preliminary stages will take longer and our systems more robust:	All 4 titles expected to be printed in 2008-2009



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		1. 'Methods of Tabligh of the Ma'sumin (as)': An award winning thesis from Hawza Ilmiyya Qum which explores the processes and methods employed by the Ma'sumin in guiding others and propagation of Islam 2. 'The Sacred Effusion: A Commentary on Ziyarah al-Ashura': A scholarly work with in-depth analysis of this excellent Ziyarah. The book promises to be an original and unique exposition 3. 'Tawzih al-Masail (updated)': The second edition of Ayatullah al-Uzma Syed Sistani's Tawzih with updated rulings and an enlightening introduction to each section based upon Quranic verses and insights from Hadith, to highlight the esoteric angles to each ritual ibadah. 4. Abridged version of 'A Restatement of the History of Islam and Muslims': An abridged version of this extremely popular title with a self assessment in each chapter – this will prove to be a textbook for the period of history in question.	
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3	Complete the Anecdotes and 180 questions series	- Volumes 4 and 5 of 'Anecdotes for Reflection' currently under going final translation and proof reading - Certain parts of volume 3 of '180 Questions' is being researched and finalised	Work is in progress and both titles to be printed by mid 2009
4	Delivery of TTF across the globe targeted to E-Learning	- After advertising for tenders for the TTF, The Muslim Institute of Washington DC, USA, has been commissioned to deliver the E-Learning portion of the TTF. A rough schedule of work is as follows: - Stage 1 – Research, Content Writing, Editing Existing Content (Oct – Jan 08) - Stage 2 – Creating Web Portal, Populating Content on Web Portal, Interface & Navigation Design (Feb – May 08) - Stage 3 – Creating Test Modules for Certification, Testing & Bug Fixing, Launch (Jun – Jul 08)	
5	Support the Delivery of the ATF		



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6	Links with existing and other Maraje strengthened	- The World Federation has established a regular system of visitation to leading Maraje in Qum approximately every 6 months. The latest achievements of The World Federation in Islamic Education and Relief is translated into Farsi and presented to each Marja personally by Sheikh Abbas Ismail and Qum Office personnel. - In August 2007, Sheikh Abbas personally met Ayatullah Girami, Ayatullah Isfahani, Ayatullah Gorgani, Ayatullah Shahroodi, Ayatullah Syed Madani Tabrizi, Ayatullah Jafar Subhani, Ayatullah Syed Mudarrasi Yazdi, Ayatullah Wahid Khorasani, Ayatullah Ibrahim Amini, Ayatullah Safi Gulpaygani, Syed Muhsin Hashemi (head of Q&A Board, Office of Ayatullah Sistani), Syed Hashimian (Principal of Madrasah Imam Khomeini), Syed Mujtaba Musavi Lari - The World Federation's Qum Office conducts regular assessments of the written works of the Maraje and their suitability for community consumption.	- The next visit is due to be completed in the immediate future by Sheikh Abbas Ismail - Next report is under draft and will be sent for translation in due course - The next assessment report to be presented by Qum Office by 31st January 2008. An interfaith title by Ayatullah Jannaati is currently under consideration - Finalisation of the contract with the translator is imminent



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		• Following feedback from the community Qum Office will provide a translator to the offices of Agha Sistani to help and assist them with the questions into English and French. This will result in a faster service of Q & A from Agha's office • Qum Office managed to secure a private audience with Ayatullah Safi Gulpaygani during Ramadhan. Feedback was excellent from both the office of Ayatullah Gulpaygani and from our students. • On Eid e Ghadeer, Qum Office secured a lecture from a leading scholar and ethical master in Qum – Ayatullah Tahriri • Qum Office secured two extremely fruitful meetings with Majma Jahani Ahlul Bayt, one of the leading Tablighi organisations within Iran. There is a possibility the American visa issue will be solved via this channel. Majma have suggested numerous cooperative ventures	• Further such programmes and visits are in the pipeline • Qum Office working towards strengthening ties
7	Talaba project delivered, phase existing and start the targeted approach	• Significant reforms made to the monthly grant system of student support in Qum. The criteria for receipt of funds is now more targeted to the needs of the community. • A regular assessment of our students is undertaken and capacity building and personal development plans are being designed	• A planned personal development training course is currently being planned for a selected handful of students with high potential



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8	Delivery of CPD based on needs analysis	3 Continuous Personal Development (CPD) courses on topics highlighted by the community have been conducted: Quranic Sciences, Media Skills and Islamic Theology. Based on feedback from the community, three more are planned for 2008 in Europe: Islamic Family Ethics (July 2008), Islamic Gnosis (Date: TBA) and Majlis Preparation and Presentation (Date: TBA). CoEJ are partnering The World Federation CPDs in Europe and complete handover is expected soon. - CPDs for Africa and North America have also been proposed: - NASIMCO: successfully conducted Quranic Sciences CPD in Minneapolis and Islamic Theology is planned for Ashra Zaynabiyah, following further capacity building work done by The World Federation with key Muballigheem. - AFED: Awaiting reply from AFED for CPD plan in Africa.	- Continue to support the CPD process in Europe by the continuing capacity building programme - Support the CPD process in North America and Africa through the training and development of key Muballigheem. - Syed Ali Reza Naqvi is due to conduct an Aqaid CPD in Minneapolis at Arbreen time
9	Chaplaincy development for men & women		



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10	Capacity Building with Indo Pak communities in UK	• Excellent rapport and communication established with Majlis Ulama Shia (Europe) • Proposals for support and cooperation are under planning stages with a possible development and training course for Indo-Pak Muballigheen	
11	Post Madressa Youth Deveopment Programme	• The World Federation organises two annual Summer Short Courses: Madinah al-Ilm is catered towards boys and girls between the ages of 18-24 Bab al-Ilm is catered towards boys and girls between the ages of 14-17 • In August 2007, both courses concluded successfully with the highest number of students in attendance since the beginning of such courses under The World Federation. 56 students attended from a total of 17 jamaats in 3 continents: Africa, Europe and North America. • A comprehensive debrief and evaluation process was undertaken which has given the courses a new curriculum, teaching methodology, and aims and objectives.	• Dovetail the targeted approach of Qum students with the new approach to the short courses ensuring shared objectives throughout Islamic Education. • Begin the publicity and advertising for Chehlum time throughout regions. • Ensure native Africans are included in the student quotas



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		• A mentoring scheme is now firmly part of the course. 6 mentors accompanied the campers in 2007 and the process of recruitment for 2008 is now underway. The 6 mentors are all volunteering for The World Federation	• Continue the process of building capacity through mentoring and encouraging volunteering through such inspirational and motivational courses
12	Capacity Building with Tableegh in Bosnia	• Taha Bosnian Shia Community continues to receive support from The World Federation. The excellent intra-faith work there continues. • Bosnia Desk is securing a daily prime-time radio slot to enhance the understanding of the Shia Ithna Asheri faith • The community officially opened its new centre in May 2007 and conducts regular programmes as per the Islamic calendar and contemporary issues. Topics covered at the centre include 'Man and his destiny', 'The Spirit of freedom in Husain (b. Ali) a.s.', 'Signs of presence of Ahlul Bait in Bosnia and Herzegovina', 'Hadrath Fatima a.s. – from today's perspective', and 'Taking lessons from Srebrenica [massacre]'. • Ramadhan programmes were conducted at the centre. Capacity is being built to ensure a core volunteer base is present to help and support the activities.	• Learn from the experience and success of the Radio Fatima programmes to successfully propagate in Bosnia amongst an intra-faith community



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		• Members of the local community regularly visit the centre for spiritual benefit, Shia resources and to discuss issues affecting Muslims in Bosnia. • A children's madrasah is held every Sunday which teaches Fiqh and English. • Regular visits are undertaken to isolated families for moral and financial assistance. • Suitable publications to promote the image of Shia Islam are identified and purchased in bulk. 500 copies of one publication "Origins and early development of Shia Islam" have been sponsored. • The quarterly magazine, 'Muslimanski Zivot' has resumed. • The Personal Development of community members is encouraged through higher educational programmes on works by Ibn Sina and other more contemporary scholars in Sarajevo. • A prime-time radio slot is being secured on a daily basis to ensure Tableegh of the Shia madhhab via media.	
13	Increase uptake of GCSE Worldwide	• A second edition of the eagerly awaited GCSE Booklet has been printed and distributed to madaris. • A third edition of the booklet is under consideration with the inclusion of 10 mind maps in order to provide students with a variety of forms of information to suit individual learning styles	• A CPD course on teaching methodologies specifically for the GCSE is under consideration



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1	NGO Status to Bring Clarity Relief and Economic Development (Relief) is Responsible for working with the Secretary General to build capacity within the organisation so that The World Federation can reap benefits from its NGO status.	• Relief completed and submitted a membership application to join the British Overseas NGOs for Development (BOND.) BOND accepted our application on the 15th February giving us full membership of the organisation, • A special document on 'NGO Status' was prepared. The aim of this paper was to enlighten all members of the Secretariat, Assistant Secretary Generals and key volunteers about the implications of achieving this 'Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations' on The World Federation. • Conversations have taken place between Relief and the Department of International Development to discuss the possibility of receiving external funding. Their suggestions was that The World Federation seek the aid of professional consultants who are familiar with and who have the experience in obtaining funds from key government departments.	Next steps included: • Maximum participation where possible in BOND and other NGO networking functions. • Signing off NGO policy documents which include the organisation's values and codes of practice. • Making External Funding Bids



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		Relief has approached such experienced individuals to work with The World Federation to build capacity on benefiting from the NGO status to obtain external funding; in addition he will further enlighten us on what an NGO status means for the organisation.	
2	Policy On: What we will do and where	- Relief needs to determine specifically what the next steps are in terms of NGO policy. - A policy on Disaster Relief has been researched. This policy deals with what The World Federation should do on the onset of a disaster, the role it should play and when it should intervene. This paper is attached for comments from The Executive Council. - Relief Recommends that The World Federation look at working with BOND to build internal capacity in line with other NGOs. The World Federation needs to build and strengthen its internal structures so that they are aligned with that of other NGOs. Work on developing the Secretariat by building capacity in staff and creating sustainable structures and processes is in progress. To this end, documentation work such as the Staff Handbook is currently being developed. The World Federation leverages the NGO status by making applications for government and EU funding.	- Work must continue in building policy documents. - Corporate brochures must be produced in many areas of The World Federation including Relief and Economic Development, ZCSS, Health and so on – as this will be useful in seeking external funds. - Consideration should be given to have one or more World Federation staff person work specifically or spend a great deal of time in this particular area as this is a new venture with many possibilities. - The World Federation should participate in ECOSOC meetings where possible. - The World Federation should begin building close links with Government bodies and departments.



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3	Ramadhan Relief 1428 Needs Assessment and Actions	- Relief spent a lot of time working with various agencies to obtain clear and concise needs assessment for the Ramadhan Relief 1428 Program. - Once the needs assessments were reviewed, funding was approved for agencies across 15 countries – Afghanistan, Kenya, Madagascar, Tanzania, Johannesburg, Bangladesh, Bosnia, India, Indonesia, Iran, Myan Mar, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Syria and Thailand. A total of GBP £175,532 was dispersed to the agencies. A total of GBP £118,167 was collected in donations worldwide. The figures are from Aug 2007-December 2007 only, donations are still coming in. - Once the funds were sent, each agency was requested to submit a report on how and where the funds were used. - The World Federation worked in partnership with the Regional Federations including CoEJ and NASIMCO to raise funds for this program.	- The planning for next year's Ramadhan Relief Program will begin much earlier. This will include obtaining the needs assessments and dispatching the funds to the respective agencies. - Relief will work more closely with the agencies to ensure that reports are received quicker - with more emphasis on photographs. - Relief will work more closely with the Regional Federations and the Jamaats across the world to maximize fundraising efforts for the Ramadhan Relief Program. - Information Packs will be made for each Jamaat to help in raising funds.
4	Aeinullah Eye Clinics Work in this area is being carried out in partnership with Health. Please see the Report in Health for full details.	The Relief section will concentrate on marketing the Eye Clinics and attempting to fundraise both within the community and externally.	



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5	Identify and Support Microfinance Opportunities	Relief has created a number of proposals on Microfinance / Income Generation Projects. Two proposals that were recently approved by the Office Bearers are: Sewing Machine & Cooking Project in Sri Lanka (value £12,500) and small scale support in Bihar, India for local shopkeepers and small scale manufacturing businesses. The purpose behind this initiative is to economically uplift members of our community and to encourage self sufficiency.	- Relief will develop a strategic handbook on the credentials and practicalities of Microfinance and Income Generation Projects. This paper would then be given to Regional Bodies and Agencies worldwide in to better assist them. - Relief will endeavour to research the legal requirements of individual countries with respect to Microfinance. - Microfinance projects should also be identified for other countries where our community members may benefit: including Africa, Middle East and India. Regions such as Pakistan and others who already have these Income Generating Projects need to be further encouraged and supported.
6	Iraq Relief	On Feb 9, 2008 Relief, in partnership with CoEJ, organized a Tube and Street Collection in London to raise funds for the ZCSS Iraq Orphan Appeal. In addition a campaign to raise awareness about the ZCSS Iraq Orphan Appeal will be launched in February/ March 2008.	- The Hadith-e-Kisa Blanket Drive – blankets to be distributed in other countries, based on sound needs assessment. - Greater emphasis on gaining reports for past work including repatriation projects from previous terms.



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		• In September 2007 – a 20 foot container was donated through The World Federation by community philanthropists; this container included (among other things) a medical equipment after an appeal by the Dean of Medicine from Basra University. • A needs assessment is currently being carried out for relief work in Najaf through the offices of Ayatullah Bashir Najafi.	
7	Identify Low Cost Housing & Support Regions	• Yet to begin working on this Project A few requests have been received and are being assessed.	• Write to Regions – stating that The World Federation is there to support this • Relief to create a needs analysis on Low Cost Housing
8	Disaster Relief through Regional Bodies & Agencies	• Gujarat Rainfall of 2007 – needs assessment conducted in partnership with Gujarat Council. £6,151 remitted to Gujarat Council for their relief efforts. • Bangladesh Cyclone - needs assessment from our agency suggested that none of the Shia Ithna Asheri faith were affected and they were not in a position to do the Relief work on this because of location, economies of scale and as there were many other relief agencies in place at the time. Microfinance and income generation is a possibility being looked at for the immediate future.	• Feedback from Councillors sought on the Relief Intervention & Preparedness Policy Paper attached.



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		- Kenya Post Election Crisis – The World Federation in partnership with The Africa Federation donated £8,000 to be shared by both organisations. This will be reviewed as should the crisis continue. - Parachinar – Relief launched a fund appeal based on a report from the Hussaini Foundation. The World Federation needs to work in partnership with the Hussaini Foundation for other similar appeals.	
9	Support the Construction of Water Wells	In Bihar, India The World Federation sponsored the installation of hand pipe borings in the home of almost every deserving person of our community in the different villages of Bihar. Finally, more than 90% of the underprivileged residents of these rural villages now have easy access to safe drinking water.	- This is an area where we need to use the NGO and create a specialism. This is especially given that there is a need for water wells where our community is prevalent – India, East Africa, Pakistan and Middle East etc. - There is potential to apply for external funding and to work in partnership with other NGOs.
10	Needs Assessment for the Elderly	This has not yet begun.	This must begin soon in partnership with the regional members.
11	Hadithe Kisa Blanket Drive	- Relief launched the HKBD Fundraising Appeal prior to the Ramadhan Relief Program. Approximately £18,000 was collected in donations. - Blankets yet to be distributed primarily due to the volatile political situation in Pakistan.	- Relief will put more emphasis on fundraising - especially in Europe. - Channelling of funds to be discussed with Pakistan Jamaats much in advance. - To develop more effective channels of communication earlier and blankets to be distributed in more countries. Possibilities including the highlands of India and Iraq as well as Syria.



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12	Fundraising Campaigns – Targeted and General To avoid duplication, Relief and Economic Development (as a section of the Secretariat) has been given the responsibility of promoting fundraising campaigns.	• Relief has created Pamphlets for Relief and ZCSS • Relief is working with Regional Bodies to launch fundraising campaigns in their respective Jamaats • Working with non-Khoja institutions to fundraise in their centres. • Public Fundraising Campaigns – London Tube Collection (with CoEJ), Street Collection in Birmingham has been proposed and needs to be looked into. • Advertising The World Federation on the NGO TV Channel UK.	• Relief needs to focus on External Fundraising via government departments; this is essential to help drive future projects. • External fundraising opportunities abroad need to be looked at e.g. North America, Dubai etc. • Recommendation given and signed off by Office Bearers to join the Fundraising Standards Board of the UK. This will allow for self regulation of our fundraising methods and in addition give us greater credibility when raising funds from outside.