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Over 100 Attends The 1st AFED Marriage Seminar – 2011 in Nairobi, Kenya

“And one of His signs is that He created mates for you from yourselves that you may find peace in them and He creates between you love and compassion”. (Surah Rum, 30:20)

The 1st AFED Marriage Seminar – 2011 was jointly organized by the Africa Federation Tabligh Board (AFTAB) and the Africa Federation Youth Network (AYN) in Nairobi, Kenya on 3rd and 4th September 2011. This Seminar was fully sponsored by AFED.

One of the AFED's goals during this term is to create a strong sense of belonging. Also to engage and include all levels of our community members in enriching Islamic Values and our Moral Responsibilities with special focus aimed at our younger generation.

It is for this reason therefore, AFED finds it necessary to enlighten and equip the younger generation with the required knowledge and skills that provides them with legitimate solutions to social problems building a strong community that puts Islam into practice. Similarly also, to create a lifestyle that is mutually enjoyable and enhances the well being of their children and families.





Above are the two group photographs of some of the participants who attended the Marriage Seminar in Nairobi, Kenya.

The Seminar was conducted ably by three facilitators from London, UK. they are:

Seyed Muhammad Naqvi

Brother Abbas Merali

Brother Ashiq Damani

An overwhelming response from several Jamaats in Africa with over 100 participants, the Jamaats who participated are: Arusha, Moshi, Mombasa and Nairobi.

The seminar was divided into two categories: the engaged and married couple's category and the single (bachelors/spinsters) group.

A highly interactive and participative Seminar, the modern approach used by the Facilitators positively impacted the participants, who were at ease and discussed openly the topics of marriage and the related issues. Participants had an opportunity to know themselves as individuals such that the information would help them relate to their life partners in a manner befitting the Islamic code of practice for married couples.

Full report of the Seminar is available in AFED Website: www.africafederation.org



Above participants and the facilitators during the Group discussion and the interactive session during the Seminar.

The Secretariat wishes to express its sincere appreciation to the Shia Asna Asheri Jamaat of Nairobi (SAAJ) for kindly accepting to host the Seminar, and also to the Organizing Committee of the Jamaat headed by Alhaj Amir Rashid and his team.

We convey our special thanks to the three facilitators from London, namely Sayed Muhammad Naqvi, Br. Abbas Merali and Br. Ashiq Damani.

This Seminar required great deal of planning and preparations, we wish to record our appreciation to both, AFTAB Chairman, Seyed Hassan Naqvi and AYN Chairman, Br. Nishathussein Karim and their team members for the wonderful work done.

We are also grateful to the Jamaats who made good efforts and encouraged the participants to attend the Seminar. It is our hope that more Jamaats will participate in similar Seminars in the future.

Secretariat