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In the name of Allah, the Most Kind, the Most Merciful

News and Events

The World Federation News

Shiite Community faces more distress after Indonesian authorities halt aid

The rights of religious and ethnic minorities are consistently being trampled on in Indonesia and once again the world is witnessing another wave of aggression – this time on Indonesia's Shiite minorities. Indonesian authorities have cut off food and water supplies to at least 190 displaced Shia Muslims in East Java - including 69 women and 61 children.

ZCSS: Can You Really Change The World?

Currently, the ZCSS programme sponsors 5,309 students and the total running cost is around £500,000. This figure is dependent on exchange rates and school fees that are constantly on the rise around the world. At present, ZCSS has students across 7 countries: India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Kenya and Tanzania, Sri Lanka and Haiti. There are a plethora of success stories which can be recounted over the last 30 years.

Pakistan's Shia genocide: by Murtaza Hussain

Murtaza Hussain is a Toronto-based writer and analyst focused on issues related to Middle Eastern politics. The following article was featured on 26 November 2012 on Al Jazeera's website.

First ever Shia Muslim Community emerges in Rwanda

Last May, a team of about 4 individuals from East Africa travelled to Kigali on a mission to help new Khoja Shia Ithna Asheri families settle in Kigali. These families arrived in Kigali about one year ago. During the course of their stay, they found that there was a thirst among the local people to learn more about Islam. To help meet this growing desire, the team facilitated the creation of the first Khoja Shia Ithna Asheri Jamaat in Kigali.

Fill My Cup Appeal – A pat on the back!

In the rural areas of Kenya, The World Federation has 3,681 little friends who arrive at school and Madrasah with empty stomachs. Because their parents are not able to afford even a simple meal, many of these children may not have eaten a decent meal in days. For only \$3 USD-CAD / £2 GBP per month per child, you can make sure that each of these children is served a nutritious cup of porridge every morning before they begin their school day.

MCE Update – November 2012 Issue 5

The Madrasah Centre of Excellence (MCE) has released its monthly mailshot for madrasah.

Madinah & Bab Short Course 2012: Changing the Lives of our Youths

In the summer of 2012, The World Federation once again ran the world-renowned Madinah & Bab Short Courses in Iran. The Courses attracted 60 participants, boys and girls, from across the world. Abbas Nazarali of Toronto, Canada, describes the inspirational effect of the course.

A reflection of The 4th Executive Council Meeting of The World Federation of KSIMC

Shahana Nassor writes, "Three weeks ago, I had the opportunity and pleasure to participate to the 4th Executive Council meeting of the World Federation, held in my

hometown, Antananarivo, Madagascar. The meeting, in overall, seemed very impressive to me, for it was the first time I was involved in such an important one, with leaders from all around the world that brought their different and interesting ideas & perspectives together, to animate the assembly."

The World Federation Hadith-A-Day Perpetual Islamic Desk Calendar

The World Federation is planning to publish a Hadith-A-Day perpetual Islamic Desk Calendar. Each page of the calendar will carry a Hadith from the Holy Prophet or his Holy Progeny (PBUH) in Arabic with English translation.

Europe

Juloos Report – Hyderi Islamic Centre

By the grace of Almighty Allah (SWT), Hyderi Islamic Centre held its annual juloos procession on Saturday 24th November 2012, the night of Ashura, in a bid to spread the message of Imam Hussain (as) to neighbours and the wider community.

Africa

AFED Press Release: Ashura – Raising awareness of the Martyrdom of Imam Hussain (AS)

The commemoration of this great epic event (Ashura) must be kept alive by our community members wherever they are in the world. Aza-e-Sayyidu'sh Shuhada Imam Hussain (AS) should be the platform and impetus to raise awareness and rekindle Islamic Values and Tableegh whilst also sending out clear messages to expose the crimes committed by the Bani Umayyah caliphs towards the Holy Imams, their progenies and towards the faithful followers of the Holy Prophet of Islam, Hazrat Muhammad (SAWW).

AFED Commercial Complex takes off in Dar-es-Salaam

The Federation of Khoja Shia Ithna Asheri Jamaats of Africa recently marked the start of the work towards the construction of the Africa Federation Commercial Complex on Plot No. 11 along Vingunguti Industrial Area, Nyerere Road, Dar es Salaam.

AFED Office Bearers meets the Central Bilal Board (CBB)

Following the recent appointments of the Central Bilal Board (CBB) Chairman, Alhaj Mohsin A. Lalji and the Hon. Secretary, Alhaj Inayat Alidina, AFED Chairman, Alhaj Anwarali Dharamsi and the Office Bearers held the first meeting with CBB on 22nd November 2012. Welcoming Alhaj Mohsin Lalji and Alhaj Inayat Alidina, the AFED Chairman, Alhaj Anwarali thanked them for graciously accepting the appointments and wished them successful and pleasant tenure. He further assured them AFED's full support.

Haji Gulamhussein Abdul Rasool Somji Family Higher Education Loan

Africa Federation EBS Board announces the Haji Gulamhussein Abdul Rasool Somji Family Higher Education loan scheme of up to US\$ 10,000 per annum for 2 years. Open for post graduate studies, for eligible students from the Jamaats under AFED.

North America

Rally against Shia Genocide in Pakistan

The Universal Muslim Association of America encourages all momineen to participate in this important rally to protest the killing of innocent momineen in Pakistan. Buses from across the country are being organized. UMAA has sponsored a bus to leave from the Idara-e-Jaferia in Maryland.

Former President of Seattle Jamaat Receives Honorary Award

The Federation of Khoja Shia Ithna Asheri Jamaats of Africa recently marked the start of the work towards the construction of the Africa Federation Commercial Complex on Plot No. 11 along Vingunguti Industrial Area, Nyerere Road, Dar es Salaam. Br Jawad Khaki, the former President and founder of the Ithna-Asheri Muslim Association of the Northwest and former Corporate Vice-President of Microsoft, was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Technology from the University of East London at The O2 in London earlier this week.

Orlando Jamaat Publishes Community Magazine

The "Twelvers" magazine is an initiative by the youth of the Hussein Islamic Center of Orlando that is published every quarter. The aim of the magazine is to share articles and newsworthy stories to community members of not only HIC but of other communities around the world.

ALI Qur'an Tilawah classes

The Academy for Learning Islam (ALI) is holding classes on Qur'an Tilawah (recitation) and simple tafseer for Muslim men 15 years and above. The sessions will be held at the Jaffari Community Center (9000 Bathurst Street, Thornhill, ON L4J 8A7) from 8:30-9:30pm on Tuesday evenings.

Rest of the World

Muharram 1434 Azadari at Al-Mawaddat Centre - Kuala Lumpur

In Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, the Khoja Shia Ithna Asheri Students and the Indo-Pakistani residents' community commemorated the Azadari at Al-Mawaddat Centre which hosted all twelve nights for the first time.

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