

Operation Joy for Asia

Newsletter: April - July 2025

We empower Pakistani girls and women through education and skills training so that they can reach their potential and achieve more than they thought possible.

Dear Supporters,

We are deeply grateful for your continued support of our work among some of the poorest communities in Lahore, Pakistan. Your generosity is making a real and lasting difference.

CEC Girls High School, Youhannabad:

You may remember that a couple of months ago, tensions between India and Pakistan led to a



temporary closure of all schools by government order. Thankfully, that threat passed, and the school has since reopened. Our girls recently completed their exams (see photos above) before beginning their long Summer break, which lasts from early June until **14th August**. The heat during these months is extreme and studying in such conditions is nearly impossible! Thanks to your increased support, we decided that most of our financial support will be focused on raising the teachers' salaries. This we have been able to do and it has significantly boosted stability in our school, **and all our teachers have remained with us**, as they feel valued and appreciated. We are also excited to share that we have hired **three new teachers** as well!

We now ask for your continued prayers and support as we seek to **grow student enrolment** when the school reopens on **14th August 2025**.

GREAT NEWS: Excellent Matric Results!

We are very pleased to share that the **Matriculation results** from the Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education are announced and our students at **CEC Girls High School** performed excellently! Here are the top results:

Aliza S – 1050 marks
Binish A – 914 marks
Hannia A – 900 marks
Aster Z – 809 marks
Qizia R – 729 marks
Total Marks = 1100



These excellent results show the strong effort and care our teachers give to their students. With better pay, they feel motivated and hopeful. We aim to raise their pay even more so we can keep these dedicated teachers and bring in more good ones.

Tabitha Sewing Centre – Gujranwala:

One of our smaller but important initiatives has been a **Sewing Centre** designed to empower women by teaching them income-generating skills. **Rahila**, a skilled instructor who previously ran a successful centre in Faisalabad, has now moved to **Gujranwala**, her hometown. She is wants to start a similar Sewing Centre there and is seeking support to make it happen.



Thanks again for your support and prayers. We truly appreciate your help in this mission and will continue to update you every three months with the latest developments and stories of transformation.

God bless you all,

John Symons

Secretary, Operation Joy for Asia



Volunteer with us and make a difference.

**We are looking for a volunteer to join our team and support us in managing our social media pages.

Join us at our **monthly meeting held on the First Friday of each month at 10am at the YMCA, Graham Road, SO14 0AW

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