



# Trustee's REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 31st March  
2023



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## Legal and Administrative information

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS	
Charity Name	The Akhirah Team
Registered Charity Number	1180532
Charity's Principal Address	62 Roseville Road, Leeds LS8 5DR
Trustees	Mohammed Anwar Aziz, Nazim Younis, Shishu Miah Ali
Accountant	Haroon Latif HLA Accountants, 21 Hyde Park Road, Leeds, LS6 1PY United Kingdom
Bank	Cash Plus Bank

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT	
Type of governing document	2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2018
How the charity is constituted	Charity Incorporated
Trustees' selection methods and induction	Appointed by Trustees and briefed on their legal obligations under charity law, the content of the charity's constitution, and its recent performance.

### Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document.

The Akhirah Team is a UK based charity. The purpose of the charity is to raise funds through donations which are utilised for the benefit of those suffering poverty and to provide aid and relief for those in need in the UK and globally and to ensure that no person is discriminated against the basis of their age, ill-health, disability, religious belief or gender. We aim to aid regardless of social background and aim to assist those suffering from economic disadvantage by providing foods, aid, finance, clothing and other services as the trustee may consider fit for that project. Our mission statement as a non-profit making organisation and charity is to tackle poverty and assist people in the most deprived communities in the UK and around the world. All of our programmes aim to change the lives of people and benefit them in terms of providing donations and funding for medical treatments, schools, orphanages, food parcels, water wells and other causes for which our charity make the executive decisions to raise funds for.

## Chairman's Testimonial



As we reflect on another remarkable year, I am honoured to share a significant milestone in our journey where I have assumed the role of Chairman for our esteemed charity. It is with the great enthusiasm and dedication that I embrace this responsibility and I am committed to steering our organisation towards new heights of impact and success.

As we reflect on the accomplishments of the past year, marked by three impactful deployments to Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Turkey, I am inspired by the collective dedication that fuels our mission. Together, we have delivered various projects, raised substantial funds and fostered meaningful partnerships with charities in the Leeds community and around West Yorkshire region.

I look forward to leading our incredible team and building on the foundation of excellence that defines our organisation. With your continued support, I am confident that we will achieve even greater milestones in the service of our shared mission.

Thank you for entrusting me with this responsibility. Let us embark on this journey together, driven by the unwavering commitment to make a positive difference in the lives of those we serve.

## Background

Our annual report serves as a platform to highlight the accomplishments we have achieved this year, with your valuable assistance. Within this document, you will discover comprehensive updates on the projects we embarked on from April 2022 to March 2023. It will provide a transparent breakdown of how and where the funds raised from your contributions were utilised during this fiscal year. The annual records will also include detailed documentation of the various projects we have undertaken abroad. We would like to express our gratitude to all our donors and benefactor businesses for their unwavering support and generous donations throughout the year.

## Changes in the structure

Mohammed Anwar Aziz boarded as a member of Trustee and Chairman of The Akhirah Team on 04<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

## Achievements and Performance

### April 2022

Ramadhan 2022 saw the successful execution of several impactful projects, each contributing to the welfare of the community. These initiatives included Sewing for Success, aimed at empowering individuals through skill development, the Rickshaw project providing sustainable solutions, a Cakes project raising money for a hospital. Water Appeal ensuring access to clean water, Blood Pressure screenings for healthcare awareness, support for an orphanage through the Sustain an Orphanage project, a Housing Project addressing shelter needs, and the distribution of Food parcels to alleviate hunger. Together, these endeavours exemplified the spirit of compassion and generosity during the holy month of Ramadhan.

### Sewing machine

This year, we continued our impactful Sewing Machine Project, which proved to be a success once again. Through this initiative, we were able to gift sewing machines to vulnerable individuals across Bangladesh, India, and Pakistan. By empowering them with the means to start their own tailoring business, we aimed to enable them to



provide for their entire families, achieve financial independence, and uplift

themselves out of poverty. This endeavour exemplifies our commitment to creating sustainable livelihoods and fostering economic empowerment within the communities we serve.



## Rickshaw Project

The Rickshaw project has been established with the purpose of enabling individuals to establish a reliable source of income. By providing a means to make a living, we seek to support them in achieving a more self-reliant and independent lifestyle within their local environment & assist them to lift themselves out of poverty. This endeavour embodies our commitment to fostering economic empowerment and sustainable livelihoods, thereby contributing to the overall well-being of the community.



## Cakes

This year, our "Cakes" campaign was dedicated to delivering delicious Double Chocolate Fudge Cakes during the holy month of Ramadan. Our goal was to bring these delightful treats to people's doors, allowing them to enjoy them during the blessed month of Ramadan. This initiative was carried out during a time when Muslims fast from dawn to dusk and engage in generous acts of charity, adding a touch of joy and sweetness to this significant period.



## **Water projects**

The provision of access to clean water is vital and fundamental to ensuring the basic human right of all individuals. It brings ongoing benefits to numerous children, families, and elders in impoverished communities. Clean water plays a critical role in changing and saving lives by preventing illnesses and reducing loss of life. This year, we were able to make a difference by aiding in the construction of water boreholes in Malawi and water pumps in Pakistan. These projects have extended the privilege and life-changing benefits of clean drinking water to families in some of the most underprivileged communities in these regions, making a positive impact on their well-being.



## **Blood Pressure machines**

With a donation of £20 this Ramadan, we provided blood pressure machines to individuals in South Asia who are unable to afford them. Our goal is to contribute to saving lives by ensuring that individuals have access to essential healthcare monitoring equipment. This initiative aims to address the critical need for regular blood pressure monitoring, particularly in regions where access to medical resources can be limited. Through this endeavour, we seek to make a tangible impact on the health and well-being of individuals in South Asia.





## **Sustain An orphanage Project.**

The Sustain an Orphanage campaign is a meaningful initiative aimed at providing essential support to orphanages. Many young children have tragically lost their parents and found themselves alone through no fault of their own. Our campaign focuses on identifying and assisting these vulnerable children in Pakistan, Palestine, and various parts of the world. By sustaining orphanages, we aim to create a nurturing environment for these children, offering them care, support, and a sense of belonging, thus positively impacting their lives during challenging times.



## **Housing project**

Shelter, along with food and water, is a fundamental necessity for leading a simple life. However, millions of people around the world still lack this basic essential. In the rural areas of Pakistan, nearly 80% of the impoverished population resides in conditions of acute poverty, with rudimentary housing and inadequate shelter. Across South Asia, which is one of the most densely populated regions globally, a significant majority of the poor in countries such as Pakistan, India, Nepal, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka continue to live below the poverty line. Often, these communities do not have the financial means to construct even makeshift, temporary shelters.





## **Food parcels**

Hunger continues to be one of the most pervasive yet solvable challenges in the contemporary world. With a contribution as modest as £20, we were able to provide a family with Iftar provisions. Your generous support for this program has a profound impact on the lives of numerous vulnerable individuals worldwide. Your contribution plays a significant role in addressing food insecurity and ensuring that families have access to essential provisions, especially during the holy month of Ramadan.



## **Fitrana**

Your Fitrana was distributed in Pakistan, Bangladesh, India & West Africa to the neediest & vulnerable.



## **Madrasah Tournament**

The Akhirah Team partnered with the Nanu Sports Foundation to host Leeds's inaugural Madrasah/Masjid Football Tournament at the Five Soccer Centre, Leeds.

The event's proceeds were dedicated to constructing a Girls Madrasah in Bangladesh. Witnessing the entire community rallying together to support this wonderful initiative was truly heartening.



## **Food Distribution**

Hunger remains one of the most significant and resolvable issues globally. Sadly, many individuals face daily challenges, grappling with the uncertainty of where their next meal will come from. Every day becomes a struggle.

Our Food Distribution programs gained heightened importance, especially now, as they serve to people in combating the harsh of hunger and malnutrition, while protecting them from life-threatening diseases. Across Pakistan, Bangladesh, Gambia, and Afghanistan, we've dedicated ourselves tirelessly to this cause.



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These impoverished communities lack the means to afford even the most basic sustenance, often enduring days without a proper meal. Our Food Distribution program aims to tackle food insecurity and alleviate hunger using a blend of short-term relief and sustainable, long-term interventions.

## **Monthly Sadaqah Project**

Our Monthly Sadaqah Jariyah Project (MSP) has flourished over the last 12 months, allowing us to extend support to more causes than ever before. The generosity of our donors has been pivotal, offering vital assistance to those living in poverty, ensuring their support continues. Even a contribution as small as £1 to this project creates a substantial impact for those less fortunate. The MSP's success has kept the Akhirah Team deeply engaged, and we are immensely grateful for the overwhelming support. Without this generosity, none of our projects would have materialized.



Our endeavours spanned various regions, including the Middle East, West Africa, and South Asia. Projects such as feeding programs in Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia, establishing essential water pumps in Pakistan, and renovating and supplying carpets to madrasahs/masjids in Gambia were made possible by your donations.

## **Qurbani**

The Akhirah Team successfully completed your Qurbani in Pakistan, Bangladesh, Rwanda & Malawi. Thanks to your donations your qurbani fed many families in need. We thank you for your continued support.





## **Bangladesh Flood Appeal**

The recent heavy monsoon rains in Bangladesh had resulted in the worst floods the country has experienced in a generation. The overflowing rivers have left approximately 500,000 people stranded in northeast Bangladesh, with many families facing the imminent risk of running out of food within days.

To address this critical situation, numerous events such as BBQs, 10k runs, and days of giving by businesses were organized to raise funds for the affected communities.



## **June 2022- Afghanistan Earthquake Appeal**

The Akhirah Team's Afghanistan appeal has indeed achieved remarkable success in addressing the aftermath of the devastating 6.3 magnitude earthquakes that occurred in early October, near the city of Herat. Tragically, these earthquakes claimed the lives of over 2,000 individuals. In response, our team swiftly acted by distributing winter packs containing warm blankets, medical and essential food items. These packs were specifically tailored to assist the most vulnerable and impoverished families in coping with the difficult circumstances they faced.





## **The Akhirah Team Charity Cup Football Tournament.**

The Akhirah Team joyfully announced the inaugural Leeds Charities Football Tournament held in Leeds.



Six charities—The Barakah Team, Hope Welfare Trust, Team Safar, Give A Gift, Peace Matters, and The Akhirah Team—joined forces to raise funds for the flood victims in Bangladesh.

Every contribution made on that day was dedicated to The Bangladesh Flood campaign. Witnessing the entire community come together to support this fantastic initiative was truly heart-warming.

## **Widow support project – 30 families with food parcels**

Thanks to the immense generosity of our donors, we've initiated the Widow Support Program in Nartopa Attock, Pakistan. This program aims to provide free food parcels to over 30 of the most vulnerable families in the area.



## **Pakistan Flood Appeal launched.**

The recent devastating flooding in Pakistan marked one of the worst in decades, submerging one-third of the country. Flash floods caused immense destruction, wiping away roads, homes, and crops, leaving a path of devastation across Pakistan. The death toll exceeded 1000, and the impact affected over 30 million people.

In response, the Akhirah Team organized various fundraising events and collections aimed at aiding those affected. These efforts included charity dinners, BBQs, mosque collections, car washes, and selling sweets to gather funds for support and relief.



## **Pakistan Deployment**

Anwar Aziz, Naheem Yacub, Azmat Khan & Moulana Amir Khan were on the ground to witness the devastation first hand and ensure that your donations reach those most in need. Their schedule includes visits to Attock, Swat valley, Rajunpoor, & Punjab to distribute donated food packs and vital medical supplies.





## **Winter Appeal: Bangladesh, Pakistan & Afghanistan**

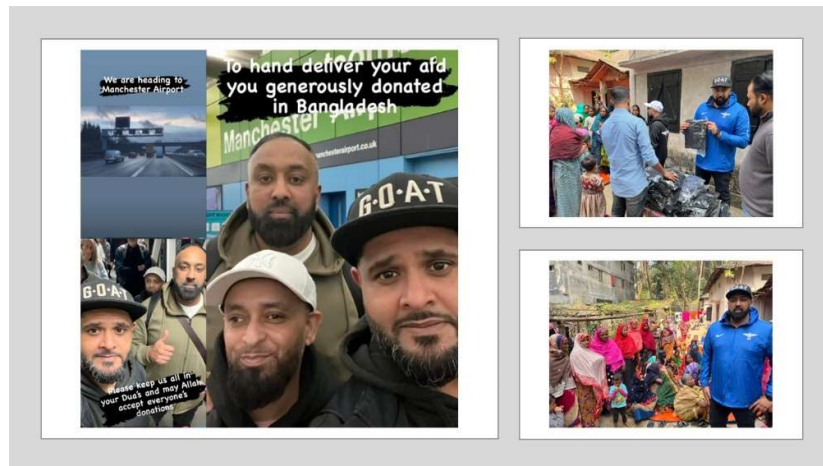
The Akhirah Team's winter appeal achieved remarkable success yet again. Across Pakistan, Bangladesh, and Afghanistan, we distributed winter packs comprising warm blankets and essential food items. These packs were aimed at assisting the most impoverished families in coping with the harsh winter months.



## **Bangladesh Deployment**

In January, the core team members made a visit to Bangladesh. The Akhirah Team diligently ensured that your donations made a significant impact during their time in the country.

Their deployment encompassed diverse initiatives ranging from sustainable, educational, and medical projects to successful feeding programs.



During their presence in the Sylhet district of Bangladesh, the team distributed rickshaws and sewing machines as part of our self-sustaining campaign. Additionally, blankets were distributed to aid the homeless, while the feeding program continued to provide crucial support.

## Turkey/Syria Campaign Launched

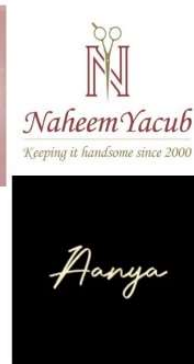
The devastating 7.8 magnitude earthquake tragically took the lives of nearly 40,000 individuals, leaving thousands more with life-altering injuries and in a state of absolute destitution. In response, the Akhirah Team initiated the Turkey & Syria Earthquake campaign, aiming to raise crucial aid for those affected in the disaster zones.

Numerous fundraising and collection events were organized as part of this effort to extend support to those deeply impacted by the earthquake.



## Days of Giving

A huge thanks goes out to numerous businesses that continually support us throughout the year across our various campaigns. A special acknowledgment is reserved for HFC, Naheem Barbers, Chicken Shack, SC Glamour, Anya's, Ice Scoop, Kofe, Koko, Lizzy Cakes, Oh Fudge, Swahili Women's group, JSH, Kadeem and Scent Salim for their incredibly selfless act of humanity, generously donating a day's takings.





## **Sewing Machine Distribution India**

As part of our sustainability project, we distributed sewing machines in Surat Gujrat India. This project has been very successful over the years as it allows an individual to become financially independent, self-sufficient and it provides them with the means to earn a living for themselves and their families.



## **Turkey Deployment**

The anguish, hardship, and profound loss witnessed in Turkey and Syria were truly heart-wrenching. Anwar Aziz, alongside Brother Khuram Amjad from the Akhirah Team, journeyed to Turkey to distribute the donations graciously provided.



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## Financial Review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Financial Statements were prepared for the 12 months ended 31 March 2023. At the end of the financial year, the charity had a surplus balance to fund charitable projects due at the beginning of the next financial year.

### Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements and;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the board



Mr. Nazim Younis

Trustee Date: 03/01/2024

# Independent Examiners Report

I report on the accounts of The Akhirah Team for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 17 to 18.

## **Respective responsibilities of trustees**

As the trustee of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

## **Basis of independent examiner's statement**

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

## **Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act or;
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records or;
3. the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination or I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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**Mr. Haroon Latif FCCA**

**Independent Examiner**

**HLA Accountants 2**

**1 Hyde Park Road Leeds LS6 1PY**

**Date: 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

# Statement of Financial Activities

THE AKHIRAH TEAM

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2023	2022
		£	£	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>					
Donations		139,226	19,687	158,913	193,596
Palestine			2,410	2,410	17,575
Bangladesh			6,790	6,790	4,270
Fitrana			944	944	235
Mozambique			321	321	400
Qurbani			6,035	6,035	1,350
Afghanistan			1,933	1,933	-
Pakistan			7,843	7,843	-
Fidyah			394	394	-
Kaffarah			80	80	-
Turkey - Syria Earthquake Appeals			15,879	15,879	-
Cakes Project			215	215	-
India			-	-	1,000
UK Food Banks			-	-	3,620
Malawi			-	-	26,504
Admin Donations		4,967	-	4,967	7,687
UK		7,300	-	7,300	-
Rental Income		1,100	-	1,100	300
Gift Aid Tax Refund Received		55,558	-	55,558	50,172
<b>TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		<b>208,152</b>	<b>62,530</b>	<b>270,682</b>	<b>306,707</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>					
Donations Spent		16,848	15,960	32,808	66,118
Afghanistan			3,446	3,446	-
Lebanon			2,000	2,000	-
Turkey - Syria Earthquake Appeals			20,325	20,325	-
Palestine			10,340	10,340	15,000
India			1,583	1,583	3,650
Bangladesh			38,863	38,863	4,000
Pakistan			55,129	55,129	5,950
Malawi			6,000	6,000	51,144
Qurbani			10,573	10,573	6,300
Gambia			29,800	29,800	81,451
Rickshaw Projects			4,000	4,000	-
Ramadan Projects			9,250	9,250	-
Kashmir			750	750	-
Cakes Project			6,216	6,216	-
General Expenses			1,675	1,675	-
Fitrana			1,175	1,175	12,510
Rwanda			-	-	1,000
Mozambique			-	-	3,200
UK Food Banks			-	-	3,147
Fund Raising Expenses		380		380	7,583
Advertising/Marketing		1,649		1,649	14,321
IT Consumables		562		562	1,951
Rent		8,400		8,400	6,900
Light & Heat		6,705		6,705	1,096
Telephone, Printing, Postage & Stationery		542		542	3,427
Video Production				-	4,500
Legal and Professional		13,574		13,574	4,807
Travel Expenses		6,930		6,930	6,318
Bank charges		1,455		1,455	1,946
Office Maintenance		1,219		1,219	7,005
Project Fees		174		174	4,641
Website Maintenance		2,832		2,832	1,901
Deployment Expenses		768		768	-
Water Rates		324		324	-
Utilities		175		175	114
Software Subscription		1,023		1,023	707
Raising awareness		750		750	3,031
Platform Fees				-	84
Insurance		316		316	316
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>		<b>64,626</b>	<b>217,085</b>	<b>281,710</b>	<b>324,119</b>
<b>Net Incoming/outgoing resources before transfers</b>		<b>143,526</b>	<b>(154,555)</b>	<b>(11,029)</b>	<b>(17,412)</b>
Transfers between funds		(154,555)	154,555	-	-
		<b>(11,029)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(11,029)</b>	<b>(17,412)</b>
<b>NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS</b>		<b>(11,029)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(11,029)</b>	<b>(17,412)</b>
Total Funds Brought Forward		63,556	-	63,556	80,968
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIER FORWARD</b>		<b>52,527</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,527</b>	<b>63,556</b>



# Balance Sheet

## THE AKHIRAH TEAM

### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
		£	£
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>			
Tangible Fixed Assets		-	-
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Debtors		-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		52,527	63,556
		<u>52,527</u>	<u>63,556</u>
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year		-	-
Net Current Assets	8	52,527	63,556
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u>52,527</u>	<u>63,556</u>
<b>Funds</b>			
Unrestricted Funds	9	52,527	63,556
<b>Total Funds</b>		<u>52,527</u>	<u>63,556</u>

# Notes for Financial Statement

## THE AKHIRAH TEAM

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2023

#### 8. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds £
Tangible Fixed Assets	-
Current Assets	52,527
Current Liabilities	-
<b>Net Assets as at 31 March 2023</b>	<b>52,527</b>

#### 9. MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

	At 31 Mar 2022 £	Incoming Resources £	Outgoing Resources £	Transfer between funds	At 31 Mar 2023 £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>					
Charity Unrestricted Funds	63,556	208,152	(64,626)	(154,555)	52,527
<b>Restricted Funds</b>					
Charity Restricted Funds	-	62,530	(217,085)	154,555	-
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>63,556</b>	<b>270,682</b>	<b>(281,710)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>52,527</b>