

FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR BANGLADESH

England & Wales · Charity number 1185262

Details

Other names	FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2019-09-11
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Chapel Cottage Station Road East Garston Berkshire RG17 7HF
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Website	www.khasdobir.org.uk

Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULTS IN BANGLADESH, IN PARTICULAR BY SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE KHASDOBIR EDUCATION, WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT TO PROVIDE AND ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR EDUCATION IN THE AREA CURRENTLY KNOWN AS SYLHETTHE RELIEF OF FINANCIAL HARDSHIP AMONGST PEOPLE LIVING IN BANGLADESH, IN PARTICULAR BY SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE KHASDOBIR EDUCATION, WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT TO MAKE GRANTS OF MONEY AND PROVIDE GOODS, SERVICES OR FACILITIES FOR THE RELIEF OF THE POOR LIVING IN THE AREA CURRENTLY KNOWN AS SYLHETTO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF THE PUBLIC IN ENGLAND AND WALES IN THE SUBJECT OF DEVELOPMENT IN BANGLADESH

Activities: Education, training and research, including sewing classes and computer training; pre-school education; advancing education through contact with families and outreach work; supplementary education; relief of those in need, including widows and those with disabilities; prevention and/or relief of poverty. These activities are provided to children and adults in part of the Sylhet area of Bangladesh.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations
- **What:** Education/training, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

Geography

- Bangladesh
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£25,168	£43,755	-	-
2024-03-31	£22,514	£69,253	-	-
2023-03-31	£51,139	£63,513	-	-
2022-03-31	£28,984	£59,168	-	-
2021-03-31	£34,844	£45,733	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
MICHAEL JOHN SHERRIFF	Chair	2019-09-11
DOREEN MARY WATSON		2019-09-11
John Raymond Cowpe		2024-01-13
KATHLEEN JOAN JACKSON		2019-09-11
Maureen Anne Haddock		2019-09-11
Moyra Glynis Blake		2019-09-11
Philip Anthony Watson		2019-09-11
Susan Mary Simmons		2019-09-11

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Friends of Khasdobir, Bangladesh

Charity Number 1185262

5th Annual Report and Accounts

To 31st March 2025

Patrons: The Rt. Hon the Baroness Morgan of Cotes; Rt. Hon Sir Kevin Barron

Trustees

Mr Mike Sherriff (Chair)
Mrs Moyra Blake (Secretary)
Ms Maureen Haddock
Mrs Kathleen Jackson

Ms Sue Simmons
Mrs Doreen Watson
Mr Philip Watson (Treasurer)
Mr John Cowpe

Bankers: Barclays. **Independent Examiner:** Rachel Thorpe

Web site: www.khasdobir.org.uk.

History and Objectives

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- *The relief of financial hardship amongst people living in Bangladesh, in particular by supporting the work of the Khasdobir Education, Welfare and Development Project to make grants of money and provide goods, services or facilities for the relief of the poor living in the area currently known as Sylhet*
- *To advance the education of the public in England and Wales in the subject of development in Bangladesh*

Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity is governed by a constitution adopted at a General Meeting held on June 29th, 2019. Trustees, most of whom have visited the project we support in Bangladesh, are appointed by existing trustees to serve a period of 3 years. There must be between 3 and 12 trustees.

Review of the Year

Friends of Khasdobir supports the educational and welfare work begun by Peter East and Harun Ahmed in Sylhet, Bangladesh, over 40 years ago. Since 1st July 2018 the Friends have supported the Sylhet Jubo Academy (SJA), a local non-government organisation based in Sylhet, to deliver the project. This is the final year of a three-year commitment we have made to SJA to deliver the project up to July 2025. This year we made a further commitment for two years to July 2027.

During the year we continued to support 12 pre-primary centres – 7 on the tea gardens and 5 serving the slum areas. 8

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of the centres are in purpose-built shelters constructed by the project. The remainder are in rented premises. They provide education for 385 4–6-year-olds. In January 2025 56 children from our pre-primary centres transferred to primary school. Each centre had a farewell party and presented certificates to the children leaving.

The project provides training in sewing, block-batik and hand embroidery, and computing. 100 young people take part in the training. For young women living on the tea gardens the training provides an alternative to tea garden work. We are especially pleased that one of the more remote tea garden centres has started their own sewing and computer training run by students who previously completed courses at our project office. We are also pleased that several previous computer students have started to earn income using online freelancing platforms.

This year we supported 40 widows with an allowance of 700 taka per month. We are gradually reducing the numbers supported. Our outreach team is assisting widows to obtain support from alternative facilities in Sylhet- for example local health provision.

We continue to give attention to the long-term sustainability of the work. Each centre now has a local management committee that is engaged in raising funds to support some of the activities at their centre. With the centre management committees, we are considering the long-term future including collaboration with tea garden and government primary schools and seeking support from a range of other organisations including local Rotary Clubs.

This year has been the final phase of the SJA fundraising officer pilot. A football

tournament with over 100 local teams taking part was organised to raise funds in Sylhet.

Our UK fundraising this year has included a virtual legacy trek visiting the shelters that we have constructed in Sylhet, a virtual Christmas puppet show, fundraising meals, a garden party and Santa fun run. Several organisations have made donations including Rotary and Churches. We are extremely grateful to everybody who has organised fundraising events and to everybody who makes regular or one-off donations. Our on-line fundraising platform is: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/friends-of-khasdobir> We rely on these donations and fundraising events to raise the money to continue to support the project.

We continue to have a facebook page with 805 followers and produce a regular newsletter.

Next year there will some reduction in our activities as we put more emphasis on trying to ensure the long-term sustainability of the work. We will continue support for 10 centres. We will increase embroidery and block batik training, continue support for computer training but end direct sewing training. We will continue to support 20 widows.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees have considered the risks to which they may be exposed and have policies in place to manage these. We have a lead trustee for safeguarding and have given particular attention to strengthening our communication with the project about safeguarding issues. We have introduced new policies on serious incident reporting and prevention of bullying.

Public Benefit

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The Trustees confirm that due regard has been given to the Charity Commissioners' guidance on public benefit. The work in Bangladesh, which we support, assists the very poorest people in the area.



This report and our accounts will be presented at our Meeting of Supporters on:

**Saturday July 5th 2025
10 am by zoom.**

Please contact us by email to confirm that you will attend and to request the zoom link to join the meeting.

khasdobir@btinternet.com

For more news and pictures do please visit our website:

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees on the unaudited financial statement of Friends of Khasdobir, Bangladesh (on Page 4)

I report on the accounts of Friends of Khasdobir, Bangladesh, to 31st March 2025

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, you consider that the audit requirement of section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act, to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (i) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
- to keep proper accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met; or

- (ii) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Rachel Thorpe CIMA
52 Priory Road, Loughborough. LE11 3PP
Independent Examiner

FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR: BANGLADESH**Charity No. 1185262****Accounts for the Year 1st April, 2024 to 31st March 2025**

	Present Year to 31/03/25	Last Full Year to 31/03/24	Full Year to 31/03/23
RECEIPTS	£	£	£
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	10,050.14	9,972.00	10,093.00
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	3,110.45	1,469.09	2,498.81
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	1,425.00	795.00	765.20
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	60.00	130.00	175.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	115.00	918.00	1,915.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	317.00	0.00	49.10
Donations from Groups, Toc H Branches and Other Organisations	1,742.00	428.70	1,615.50
Legacies	500.00	0.00	25,000.00
Sales of Calendars, Surplus Jewellery, and Other Items	0.00	15.00	0.00
Interest from Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) Deposit Account	265.78	193.43	113.19
Interest from Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) Investment Account	4,178.82	4,957.45	5,823.92
Tax Recovered from HMR&C on Year's Gift Aidable Donations	3,404.22	3,635.47	3,090.61
TOTAL RECEIPTS	25,168.41	22,514.14	51,139.33
PAYMENTS			
Grant to Sylhet Jubo Academy in Bangladesh	40,953.00	50,150.00	57,769.00
New Colour Leaflet about Project	0.00	0.00	0.00
Quarterly Newsletter Printing and Packing	300.00	331.15	296.22
Postage (Mainly Newsletters, but Other Letters also)	558.00	498.00	338.40
Meeting Room Hire	0.00	0.00	60.00
Equipment Purchase for Sylhet Jubo Academy's Work in Khasdobir	0.00	0.00	0.00
Website Registration, Design, Management and Server Provider Continuation	15.69	71.87	0.00
Trustee(s) Monitoring Visits to Bangladesh	1,298.21	3,229.84	4,303.41
Project Expenses by Trustees for work in Khasdobir	0.00	0.00	0.00
Costs incurred in fundraising (UK)	555.00	50.00	0.00
Grant to Sylhet Jubo Academy for Shelter Construction	0.00	14,702.00	0.00
Public and Trustee Liability Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bank Charges for Transferring Money to SJA's Account in Sylhet	75.00	150.00	100.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	70.00	646.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS	43,754.90	69,252.86	63,513.03
Surplus (- = Deficit)	-18,586.49	-46,738.72	-12,373.70
BALANCES			
Balance Brought Forward	171,078.91	203,615.12	223,363.47
Revaluation of Investment Fund (gain/loss) as at 1st April 2025	-6,786.43	14,202.51	-7,374.65
Surplus or Deficit this year	-18,586.49	-46,738.72	-12,373.70
Cumulative Surplus Carried Forward	145,705.99	171,078.91	203,615.12
Represented By:			
Barclays Bank Current Account	10,035.08	3,066.17	13,955.77
CCLA Charities Official Investment Fund (Deposit Account)	1,788.77	5,344.17	9,193.29
CCLA Charities Official Investment Fund (Investment Account)	133,882.14	162,668.57	180,466.06
Total Bank Balances	145,705.99	171,078.91	203,615.12

**Friends of Khasdobir Annual Report and Accounts adopted
by the Trustees on 5th April 2025**



MIKE SHERRIFF
Chair of Trustees



Phil Watson
Hon Treasurer

FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR BANGLADESH

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Friends of Khasdobir, Bangladesh

Charity Number 1185262

4th Annual Report and Accounts

To 31st March 2024

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Trustees

Mr Mike Sherriff (Chair)

Mrs Moyra Blake (Secretary)

Ms Maureen Haddock

Mrs Kathleen Jackson

Mr Kazi Mashud (Resigned 3/6/2023)

Mr Dulon Miah (Resigned 3/6/2023)

Mr Monjur Elahi (Resigned 25/4/2023)

Ms Sue Simmons

Mrs Doreen Watson

Mr Philip Watson (Treasurer)

Ms. Rana Al Jalili (Resigned 25/4/2023)

Mr. Sachin Mohite (Resigned 3/6/2023)

Mr John Cowpe (Appointed 13/1/2024)

Bankers: Barclays Business Banking.

Ind. Examiner: Rachel Thorpe (Appointed 13/1/2024)

Web site: www.khasdobir.org.uk.

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Review of the Year

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At the beginning of this year we made a commitment to support the construction of two new shelters for use as schools. One is an additional shelter on the tea garden in an area the project did not previously serve, and one is a replacement for a school that was meeting in a garage where there were some health and safety concerns. Both schools were completed, with children attending, by July.

We are currently giving attention to the long-term sustainability of the project. We have supported SJA to appoint a fundraising officer who has planned several local fundraising events including a cricket tournament that trustees took part in during their visit. Each centre also has a management committee of local people who take an interest in the centre and are starting to raise funds to support local activities.

Our UK fundraising this year has included a virtual trek in Sylhet, a virtual Christmas puppet show with children from one of the centres, fundraising meals, and a garden party. In April 2023 we had an event at All Hallows by the Tower in London to celebrate the 100th anniversary of our founder, Peter East. Over 30 people attended.

Our on-line fundraising platform is: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/nation/friends-of-khasdobir> We also now have an embroidery and craft shop selling items produced by the project. These proved very popular at our event in London.

In Sylhet the project provides 12 pre-primary centres for 420 children from the slum areas of the city and the tea gardens just outside the city. The centres all have monthly meetings with parents/guardians where issues related to children's welfare are discussed. In

January 2024 126 children transferred to primary schools from our centres.

The project continues to provide training in sewing, block-batik and hand embroidery, and computing. 100 young people take part in the training. We are especially pleased that some of the young people have been supported by SJA and Muslim Charity to start small businesses after completing their training.

During the past year the project outreach team continued door to door visits to families, organisation of courtyard meetings and distribution of widows' allowances. The work of the team ensures that we reach those in most need and that our beneficiaries access other services such as health facilities and education provision for children who have dropped out.

During the past year our Chair spent several months with the project and three trustees visited in February. They reported back to our committee and supporters.

We continue to have a facebook page with 821 followers and produce a regular newsletter. We have a leaflet informing people about our work and a web site.

Thank you to everyone who has donated and supported us this year. Next year we plan to continue our activities with a particular emphasis on trying to ensure the long-term sustainability of the work.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees have considered the risks to which they may be exposed and have policies in place to manage these. We have a lead trustee for safeguarding and have given particular attention to strengthening our communication with the project about safeguarding issues.

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Below: Teachers painting new classroom wall



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Independent Examiner

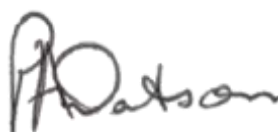
Accounts for the Year 1st April, 2023 to 31st March 2024

	Present Year 31/03/2024	Last Full Year to 31/03/23	Full Year to 31/03/22
RECEIPTS	£	£	£
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	9,972.00	10,093.00	10,413.00
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	1,469.09	2,498.81	5,434.94
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	795.00	765.20	0.00
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	130.00	175.00	0.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	918.00	1,915.00	610.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	0.00	49.10	45.00
Donations from Groups, Toc H Branches and Other Organisations	428.70	1,615.50	1,872.50
Legacies	0.00	25,000.00	0.00
Sales of Calendars, Surplus Jewellery, and Other Items	15.00	0.00	0.00
Interest from Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) Deposit Accou	193.43	113.19	1.14
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PAYMENTS			
Grant to Sylhet Jubo Academy in Bangladesh	50,150.00	57,769.00	58,504.50
New Colour Leaflet about Project	0.00	0.00	0.00
Quarterly Newsletter Printing and Packing	331.15	296.22	236.90
Postage (Mainly Newsletters, but Other Letters also)	498.00	338.40	283.02
Meeting Room Hire	0.00	60.00	44.50
Equipment Purchase for Sylhet Jubo Academy's Work in Khasdobir	0.00	0.00	0.00
Website Registration, Design, Management and Server Provider Contin	71.87	0.00	0.00
Trustee(s) Monitoring Visits to Bangladesh	3,229.84	4,303.41	0.00
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Costs incurred in fundraising (UK)	50.00	0.00	0.00
Grant to Sylhet Jubo Academy for Shelter Construction	14,702.00	0.00	0.00
Public and Trustee Liability Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00
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Miscellaneous	70.00	646.00	
TOTAL PAYMENTS	69,252.86	63,513.03	59,167.92
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**Friends of Khasdobir Annual Report and Accounts adopted
by the Trustees on 29th April 2024**



MIKE SHERRIFF
Chair of Trustees



Phil Watson
Hon Treasurer

Friends of Khasdobir, Chapel cottage, Station Road, East Garston, Hungerford, Berkshire, RG17 7HF

FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR BANGLADESH

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Accounts



Friends of Khasdobir, Bangladesh

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3rd Annual Report and Accounts

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Mrs Moyra Blake (Secretary)
Ms Maureen Haddock
Mrs Kathleen Jackson
Mr Kazi Mashud (Vice-Chair)
Mr Dulon Miah

Mr Monjur Elahi (Membership/Newsletter)
Ms Sue Simmons
Mrs Doreen Watson
Mr Philip Watson (Treasurer)
Rana Al Jalili (Appointed 1/10/2022)
Sachin Mohite (Appointed 1/10/2022)

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Ind. Examiner: P.D.Johnson
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Review of the Year

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project for the next three years, up to July 2025. During this period, we are supporting SJA to develop local fundraising activities to sustain the project in the long term. We are also funding an additional school on the Malnichara tea estate, new embroidery training and a new team leader for the outreach work.

In the UK we were able to return to face-to-face fundraising with successful tea parties to support the widows' allowances, and a fundraising meal in Loughborough. We also continued with some of our on-line fundraising including a Sylhet sewing trek and a Christmas puppet show. Fundraising is a continuous challenge, and we appeal to all our supporters to consider how they may assist us with this important work. Our on-line fundraising platform is:

<https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/friends-of-khasdobir> As part of our online fundraising we now have an embroidery and craft shop selling items produced by the project.

In Sylhet the project provided 11 pre-primary centres for 385 children from the slum areas of the city and the tea gardens just outside the city. The centres are all in sheltered accommodation, 6 of which were purpose-built with funds from the Friends. The remainder are operated in rented accommodation. This year 124 children completed the pre-primary course and were supported to enrol in local primary schools or madrassa.

The project provides training in sewing and block-batik and hand embroidery. This enables 80 young people to acquire skills that they can use to provide financial support for themselves and their families. Computer training is provided to 40 students who learn MS word, MS Excel, MS power point and graphic design using photoshop software.

The project has an outreach team of

three people, who visit families door to door and organise courtyard meetings in the slum areas. The team assess needs and find those who would benefit most from the 80 allowances we provide to widows, the pre-primary schools and training courses. In addition, they help families get access to other local services including health provision. The team help families to get birth certificates for their children and this year a report with case studies of the difficulties faced by families was written and a useful discussion held with the local government officer in Sylhet about how the situation could be improved.

During the past year our Chair spent several months with the project and two of the other trustees visited in February. They reported back to our committee and supporters.

We continue to have a facebook page with 840 followers and produce a regular newsletter. We have a leaflet informing people about our work and a website, which we updated during the year.

Thank you to everyone who has donated and supported us this year. Next year we plan to continue with our on-line and in person fundraising. We will celebrate 100 years since the birth of our founder, Peter East. Please continue to support us to make a real difference to the lives of people living in need in the Khasdobir area.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees have considered the risks to which they may be exposed and have policies in place to manage these. We have appointed a lead trustee for safeguarding who has produced an aide memoir, which was used by trustees during their visit to the project.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that due regard has been given to the Charity Commissioners' guidance on public

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P. D. Johnson

Robert Howell & Partners

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS AND STATUTORY AUDITORS

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FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR: BANGLADESH**Charity No. 1185262****Accounts for the Year 1st April, 2022 to 31st March 2023**

	Present Year to 31/03/23	Last Full Year to 31/03/22
RECEIPTS	£	£
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	10,093.00	10,413.00
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	2,498.81	5,434.94
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	765.20	0.00
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	175.00	0.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	1,915.00	610.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	49.10	45.00
Donations from Groups, Toc H Branches and Other Organisations	1,615.50	1,872.50
Legacies	25,000.00	0.00
Interest from Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) Deposit Account	113.19	1.14
Interest from Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) Investment Account	5,823.92	6,389.69
Tax Recovered from HMR&C on Year's Gift Aidable Donations	3,090.61	4,217.78
TOTAL RECEIPTS	51,139.33	28,984.05
PAYMENTS		
Grant to Sylhet Jubo Academy in Bangladesh	57,769.00	58,504.50
Quarterly Newsletter Printing and Packing	296.22	236.90
Postage (Mainly Newsletters, but Other Letters also)	338.40	283.02
Meeting Room Hire	60.00	44.50
Trustee(s) Monitoring Visits to Bangladesh	4,303.41	0.00
Bank Charges for Transferring Money to SJA's Account in Sylhet	100.00	99.00
Miscellaneous	646.00	
TOTAL PAYMENTS	63,513.03	59,167.92
Surplus (- = Deficit)	-12,373.70	-30,183.87
BALANCES		
Balance Brought Forward	223,363.47	235,168.94
Investment Fund (Gain/Loss)	-7,374.65	18,378.40
Surplus or Deficit this year	-12,373.70	-30,183.87
Cumulative Surplus Carried Forward	203,615.12	223,363.47
Represented By:		
Barclays Bank Current Account	13,955.77	12,266.58
CCLA Charities Official Investment Fund (Deposit Account)	9,193.29	3,256.18
CCLA Charities Official Investment Fund (Investment Account)	180,466.06	207,840.71
Total Bank Balances	203,615.12	223,363.47

**Friends of Khasdobir Annual Report and Accounts adopted
By the Trustees on 17th August 2023**



**MIKE SHERRIFF
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FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR BANGLADESH

England & Wales - Charity number 1185262

Accounts



Friends of Khasdobir, Bangladesh

Charity Number 1185262

2nd Annual Report and Accounts

To 31st March 2022

Patrons: The Rt. Hon the Baroness Morgan of Cotes; Rt. Hon Sir Kevin Barron

Trustees

Mr Mike Sherriff (Chair)
Mrs Moyra Blake (Secretary)
Ms Maureen Haddock
Mrs Kathleen Jackson
Mr Kazi Mashud (Vice-Chair)
Mr Dulon Miah

Mr Monjur Elahi (Membership/Newsletter)
Mr Geoffrey Pool (Resigned 3/7/2021)
Ms Sue Simmons
Mrs Doreen Watson
Mr Philip Watson (Treasurer)

Bankers: Barclays Business Banking.
Ind. Examiner: ICFS Agar FCA
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Structure, Governance and Management

The Charity has been governed by a constitution adopted at a General Meeting held on June 29th 2019. Trustees, most of whom have visited the project we support in Bangladesh at one time or another, are appointed by trustees to serve a period of 3 years. There must be between 3 and 12 trustees. This year one trustee resigned, and the total is now 10 trustees.

Review of the Year

Friends of Khasdobir supports the educational and welfare work begun by Peter East and Harun Ahmed in Sylhet, Bangladesh, some 39 years ago. Since 1st July 2018 the Friends have supported the Sylhet Jubo Academy, a local non-government organisation based in Sylhet, to deliver the project. This year the corona virus pandemic has continued to have an impact on the project and our UK fundraising. All the services have continued to operate in

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Sylhet but to comply with measures to prevent the spread of the virus numbers attending activities have been limited and for some periods children were taught at home rather than in classes. Since the end of February all activities resumed at full capacity.

In the UK our fundraising has continued to be on-line, and we also completed a sponsored walk that people took part in as individuals. Our on-line fundraising has included an education trek and a puppet-show and workshop with the children from the project. Fundraising is a continuous challenge, and we appeal to all our supporters to consider how they may assist us with this important work. Our on-line fundraising platform is: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/friends-of-khasdobir>

In Sylhet the project continued to provide 10 pre-primary centres for 350 children from the slum areas of the city and the tea gardens just outside the city. The centres are all in sheltered accommodation and this year we constructed one new shelter that will provide a new school from next year on the Malnichara tea estate. This brings the total to 11 centres, 6 of which were purpose-built with funds from the Friends. The remainder are operated in rented accommodation. This year 113 children completed the pre-primary course and were supported to enrol in local primary schools or madrassa.

The project continues to provide training in sewing and computing. This enables 80 young people to acquire skills that they can use to provide financial support for themselves and their families.

The project has two outreach workers, who visit families door to door. They assess needs and find those who would benefit most from the 80 allowances we provide to widows, the devices we have supplied to disabled children, the pre-primary schools and

training courses. In addition, they help families get access to other local services such as second chance schools and health provision. The project is in contact with many children who do not have a birth certificate and the outreach workers provide a lot of help to families to get children's' births registered.

Friends of Khasdobir has an agreement to fund the Sylhet Jubo Academy until June 2022 to deliver the project. During the past year our Chair was able to visit the project and we reviewed funding arrangements and agreed a budget for a further 3 years. This budget includes developments aiming to secure the long-term future of the work, increases our outreach, and supports the use of the centres for additional community activities.

We continue to have a facebook page with 848 followers and produce a regular newsletter. We have a leaflet informing people about our work and a web site.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to us and supported us during the past year. During next year we hope to re-establish some of our in-person events such as fundraising meals and we look forward to welcoming you to these. Please continue to support us during the coming year to make a real difference to the lives of people living in need in the Khasdobir area, and continuing the work begun by Peter East and Harun Ahmed many years ago.

Risk Assessment

The Trustees have considered the risks to which they may be exposed and have policies in place to manage these.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that due regard has been given to the Charity Commissioners' guidance on public benefit. The work in Bangladesh, which we support, assists the very poorest people in the area without charge.

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This report and our accounts will be presented at our Meeting of Supporters on:

Saturday July 2nd 2022

11.30am

at

Leicester Unitarians Great Meeting Chapel, 45 East Bond Street, Leicester LE1 4SX

There will also be an option to join the meeting using zoom.

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FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR: BANGLADESH

Charity No. 1185262

Accounts for the Year 1st April, 2021 to 31st March 2022

	Present Year to 31/03/22	Last Full Year to 31/03/21
	£	£
RECEIPTS		
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	10,413.00	12,033.00
Donations from Individuals: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	5,434.94	7,939.45
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	0.00	70.00
Fundraising Meals Income: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	0.00	0.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Recoverable	610.00	1,165.00
Individual Donations from Fund Raising: Gift Aid Tax Not Recoverable	45.00	328.00
Donations from Groups, Toc H Branches and Other Organisations	1,872.50	1,691.88
Legacies	0.00	0.00
Sales of Calendars, Surplus Jewellery, and Other Items	0.00	0.00
Interest from Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) Deposit Account	1.14	3.64
Interest from Charities Official Investment Fund (COIF) Investment Account	6,389.69	6,798.96
Tax Recovered from HMR&C on Previous Year's Gift Aidable Donations	4,217.78	4,814.78
TOTAL RECEIPTS	28,984.05	34,844.71
PAYMENTS		
Grant to Sylhet Jubo Academy in Bangladesh	58,504.50	32,998.00
New Colour Leaflet about Project	0.00	0.00
Quarterly Newsletter Printing and Packing	236.90	510.75
Postage (Mainly Newsletters, but Other Letters also)	283.02	376.58
Meeting Room Hire	44.50	19.60
Equipment Purchase for Sylhet Jubo Academy's Work in Khasdobir	0.00	793.00
Website Registration, Design, Management and Server Provider Continuation	0.00	0.00
Trustee(s) Monitoring Visits to Bangladesh	0.00	0.00
Project Expenses by Trustees for Khasdobir Work	0.00	0.00
Transport Costs for Computer Class Staff	0.00	0.00
Grant to Sylhet Jubo Academy for Shelter Construction	0.00	10,319.00
Public and Trustee Liability Insurance	0.00	0.00
Bank Charges for Transferring Money to SJA's Account in Sylhet	99.00	102.00
TOTAL PAYMENTS	59,167.92	45,118.93
Surplus (- = Deficit)	-30,183.87	-10,274.22
BALANCES		
Balance Brought Forward	235,168.94	205,513.27
Revaluation of Investment Fund (gain/loss) as at 1st April 2022	18,378.40	39,929.89
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FRIENDS OF KHASDOBIR BANGLADESH

England & Wales - Charity number 1185262

Accounts



Friends of Khasdobir, Bangladesh

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1st Annual Report and Accounts

To 31st March 2021

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continued to operate in Sylhet but to comply with measures to prevent the spread of the virus numbers attending activities have been limited. For example, the 80 widows we support no longer collect their monthly allowance on the same day of the month but over several days so that social distancing can be maintained. Numbers attending the pre-schools and training have also been limited with children and young people attending in smaller groups. There have been occasions when it has been necessary to close classes and the teachers have given children activities to do at home.

In the UK our fundraising events have been replaced with on-line fundraising and a sponsored walk that people can take part in as individuals. Our on-line fundraising has included a virtual tea garden trek, a puppet-show and workshop with the children from the project, and an on-line cultural performance. Fundraising is a continuous challenge, and we appeal to all our supporters to consider how they may assist us with this important work. Our on-line fundraising platform is:

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In Sylhet the project continues to provide 10 pre-primary centres for 350 children from the slum areas of the city and the tea gardens just outside the city. The centres are all in sheltered accommodation and this year we constructed two new simple buildings bringing the total number of purpose-built centres to 5. The remainder are operated in rented accommodation. This year 146 children completed the pre-primary course and were supported to enrol in local primary schools.

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their families.

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Friends of Khasdobir has an agreement to fund the Sylhet Jubo Academy until June 2022 to deliver the project. During the next year we will be reviewing, with the project, funding arrangements for further years. We are especially keen to develop the outreach work and the use of the centres that have been constructed for additional community activities. During next year we will continue to monitor the impact of the corona virus pandemic on the work of the project and action that should be taken in response to this.

We continue to have a facebook page with over 850 followers and produce a regular newsletter. We have a leaflet informing people about our work and a web site.

This year our usual annual monitoring visit by trustees to Sylhet was not possible due to the corona virus. Instead, we arranged a series of virtual monitoring meetings with staff and beneficiaries of the project. Trustees will be reporting on these meetings to our supporters on 3rd July.

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BALANCES	
Funds Transferred from Previous Charity	205,513.27
Revaluation of Investment Fund (gain/loss) as at 1st April 2021	40,544.01
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