



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period:

From 01.01.2023 period start date To 31.12. 2023

Charity name: STEM British Educational Trust.

Charity registration number: 1186752

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objectives of the trust are “advancement of education” in general. Particularly in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics/ Medicine) subjects to be achieved by starting a “STEM institute” in Pakistan at a graduate level.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<p>The trust is still in the planning stage to start an educational STEM institute in Pakistan at a university level. The legalities and procedures in Pakistan to set up a university level institution are frustratingly and annoyingly slow. We are still going through the required administrative hurdles and pre-requests in Pakistan eg getting the organisation recognised as a charity. All the expenses to set up the structure in Pakistan eg travels have been born by the trustees themselves. Believe you me that working in Pakistan is so frustrating that many a times we thought of quitting and withdrawing from the country. However, till today, we have made the following progress:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Registration with the Pakistan ministry of interior complete.2. Trust is registered with tax authorities in Pakistan.3. Trust opened a bank account.4. Pakistan Social Services approved us as a charity.5. Signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the federal Govt. of Pakistan to work as charity.6. Got approval of Pakistan economic affairs division in Pakistan.7. Architectural drawings finalised.8. Structural engineer's drawings finalised.9. Building land identified.10. Building permission granted (approximately 4.5M SQ FT)11. All this was done by the trustees

		<p>themselves, involving multiple visits to Pakistan, at their own expense for the charitable cause to set up an educational university level institute in Pakistan.</p> <p>12. This was is bureaucratic, cumbersome, heart-breaking and upsetting at times (even our sign post and water hand pump was stolen), anyway we went on.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.	Para 1.18	Yes, they, the trustees had regard to the guidance issued by the charity commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
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Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>We are trying to set up a university level scientific institute specialising in science and technology. It is tedious and long planning process.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Trust got registration with the ministry of interior in Pakistan as a charitable trust. 2. Trust was registered with tax authorities in Pakistan. 3. Trust opened a bank account in Pakistan. 4. As a charity organisation, we got approval from Pakistan social services department as NPO. 5. Trust signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the federal Govt. of Pakistan as to the details of our proposed work in Pakistan. 6. Trust got approval from Pakistan economic affairs division, ministry of finance, in Pakistan. 7. Structural engineer's drawings finalised. 8. Bill of quantities finalised. 9. Building land identified. 10. Building permission granted (approximately 4.5M SQ FT). 11. Conversion of use of land from agricultural to educational use granted. 12. We are planning to build approximately 0.5 M sq. ft covered area with all the university level infrastructure. The social benefit will come once we start taking students for their graduate studies. It will be a little piece of Britain abroad, propagating British Educational standards.
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Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>At the end of this reporting period, the trust's income was £ 3505 and expenditure was £2021. All the income was donated by the trustees and we did not raise any funds from public.</p> <p>Expenses were related to: trust's website design, money transferred to the trust's Pakistan account, bank charges etc. We have not started to build the institute as yet, hence low financial expenses. Most of the travelling and other costs were born by the trustees from their personal pockets. None of the trustees have ever claimed a single penny from the trust. Charity's financial position is good. We have no loans or debts.</p> <p>As yet the trust does not own any property except what is in our bank a/c. At the end of this reporting period, we held £1744 in our Ac. The trust does not employ any staff (to reduce the expenses).</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We shall hold appropriate amount of money in reserve. Donations have been pledged to the trust, but only after we start to build the institute.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£ 1744.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	NA
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	NA
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<p>In Pakistan, Foreign trust's registration (permission to work) in needs to be repeatedly renewed, yearly or every 3rd year following various agencies reports about the function of the charity in Pakistan. Potentially, at any time in future, If the charity failed to get registration from the Pakistan authorities – this will add uncertainty to the trust as a functional entity in Pakistan.</p> <p>[But this applies to all British and foreign INGOs working in Pakistan].</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	

Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Trust set up to advance graduate level education, particularly STEM (science, technology, engineering, mathematics/medicine) education in Pakistan.
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	CIO Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO trust.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by the chair and the trust. Two class of trustees family trustees and professional expert trustees, according to the constitution.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	STEM British Educational Trust.
Other name the charity uses	Bstem
Registered charity number	1186752
Charity's principal address	148, Nottingham road Ravenshead, Nottingham. NG15 9HL

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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Dr Shaukat Ali	Lead, Chair and founding trustee.	Since – 05.12.2019	Chair and the trust according to the constitution.
2	Dr Usman I Ali	Founding trustee – Treasurer.	Since – 05.12.2019	Chair and the trust according to the constitution.
3	Mrs Fazeel A Ali	Founding trustee - secretary	Since – 05.12.2019	Chair and the trust according to the constitution.
4	Mr Abdul Razzaq	Trustee and Country Head, Pakistan.	Since 02.03.2021	Chair and the trust according to the constitution.
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
none		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
NA		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	None/NA
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	NA
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	NA

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

NA

Other optional information

We are making slow but steady progress to establish this university level British institute in Pakistan. However, the system in Pakistan is exceptionally slow.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Dr Shaukat Ali

Full name(s)

Dr Shaukat Ali

**Position (eg Secretary,
Chair, etc)**

chair

Date

14.9.2024

Charity accounts
Of
STEM British Educational Trust.

From: 01/01/2023 to 31/12/2023

Charity no: 1186752

Total income: £ 3505

Total expenditure: £2021



Signed: Dr Shaukat Ali,
chair of the trust.

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NOTE: TAR 2023, enclosed.

21/9/2024

