

AKRAM AID

England & Wales · Charity number 1195519

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2021-08-16

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Activities

Objects: TO RELIEVE FINANCIAL HARDSHIP, DISTRESS AND SUFFERING AMONG POOR PEOPLE, WIDOWS, ORPHANS, VICTIMS OF NATURAL DISASTERS AND OTHER PEOPLE IN NEED BY MEANS OF, BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY, MAKING GRANTS FOR PROVIDING OR PAYING FOR ITEMS, EQUIPMENT, SERVICES, AND FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE PROVISION OF FOOD, CLEAN WATER AND CLOTHING, MEDICAL TREATMENT AND COSTS FOR ATTENDING SCHOOL FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SAID PERSONS.

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Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Overseas Aid/famine Relief, Amateur Sport, Recreation, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Afghanistan
- Bangladesh
- Occupied Palestinian Territories
- Pakistan
- Syria
- Yemen
- Throughout England And Wales

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£44,869	£25,781	-	-
2023-12-31	£46,714	£39,168	-	-
2022-12-31	£61,789	£56,858	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Aaliyah Sohail		2024-07-06
Mohammed S Qulzam		2020-10-21
SAIMA SADIQ		2020-10-21

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT

TRUSTEES

The following people served as charity trustees during the year:

Name	Role	Date of appointment
Aaliyah Sohail	Trustee	06-Jul-24
Mohammed S Qulzam	Trustee	21-Oct-20
Saima Sadiq	Trustee	21-Oct-20

CHARITY MANAGER: Mr Mohammed Sohail Qulzam

CHARITY NUMBER: 1195519

REGISTERED OFFICE: Sherman Gardens
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BANKERS: National Westminster Bank

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER: Mr Mohammed S Quadri (IFA)
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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

Policies and Objectives

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Our Team of Volunteers

All of the charity's activities are made possible through the active involvement of our trustees and dedicated volunteers, who play a vital role in delivering Akram Aid's mission. From planning and coordination to on-the-ground distribution, their tireless efforts are at the heart of everything we do.

Whether it's providing emergency aid, supporting long-term development projects, or engaging with local communities, our trustees and volunteers ensure that every initiative is carried out with care, integrity, and impact.

As always, we are deeply grateful to each and every one of them. Their commitment, compassion, and generosity of time and spirit enable us to reach those in need—locally and across the globe.



Achievements and performance

Upon review of the CIO's activities, it is noted that our income is primarily generated through public donations. The Trustees oversee the day-to-day management of both financial and operational matters, ensuring that all activities align with the charity's objectives and legal responsibilities. Throughout the reporting period, Akram Aid successfully implemented a range of projects, working closely with volunteers and partner organisations to deliver vital aid to communities in need across various regions of the world.

Outlined below are the key projects carried out during this period:

Emergency Appeals

Our Emergency appeals during the reporting period focused on supporting refugees and providing urgent aid to those affected in Gaza, Pakistan, Syria and Yemen. Through these appeals, we delivered essential emergency relief including food packs, hot meals, clean water, medication, winter parcels with essentials - targeting the most vulnerable communities.



These efforts were guided by immediate needs on the ground, where our team of volunteers identified and vetted the demand for basic necessities to help families survive during times of crisis.



Ramadan

The holy month of Ramadan is a time of fasting, reflection, and generosity for Muslims around the world. It's also a season of increased charitable giving. As millions fast from dawn to sunset, it's vital they have access to nutritious meals to break their fast. Akram Aid delivered essential food supplies to families in some of the most vulnerable communities across Africa, Eastern Asia, and Western Asia, ensuring that those in need could observe Ramadan with dignity and nourishment.

Gambia

Throughout the year we have completed the construction of 2 water wells for the community in destitute villages, built 2 Masjids, distributed hot meals and Qurbani meat during Eid, to the poor and most needy in various villages.



Pakistan

We distributed food parcels containing essentials like rice, oil, flour, and soap including blankets for vulnerable households. Pop-up clinics run by qualified professionals provided medical care, while 7 water pumps and 3 tube wells were built in rural areas. During Eid, Qurbani meat and 50 children's gifts were distributed to support and uplift local communities. Multiple sponsors committed to supporting 14 widow / needy families with ongoing monthly financial aid.

Palestine

Aid to Gaza in 2024 was severely hampered by ongoing conflict, border restrictions, destroyed infrastructure, limited access to supplies, communication blackouts and power outages. With overwhelming humanitarian needs, which far exceeded available resources, we continued to carry urgent humanitarian relief with a partner charity and delivered Hot Food distributions, Zakat and financial aid.

Rohingya

The Rohingya community, displaced and living in overcrowded refugee camps, faces unimaginable hardships, including a severe lack of access to clean, safe drinking water. With your help, through our Rohingya Water Pump Project we have installed 20 water pumps and 5 deep tube wells for the refugee camps and surrounding communities. Sponsors also support 3 widow / needy families with ongoing monthly financial aid.





Syria

Hot meals were distributed, offering vital support to families affected by years of conflict and displacement, especially in camps and impoverished neighbourhoods, ensuring that families had access to freshly cooked, nutritious food. Zakat funds were carefully allocated to assist the most vulnerable and helping them meet essential needs such as food, shelter, and medical care.

United Kingdom

Akram Aid is proud to support Chapters Foodbank through the dedication of volunteers and the generosity of the community.

Chapters Foodbank is open to everyone and serves as a vital resource for individuals and families in need via direct donations from the public, local sponsors, as well as food provisions purchased using monetary contributions.

In collaboration with the Serving Humanity Foundation, Akram Aid also provides a free weekly Advisory Service. This initiative offers tailored support, practical guidance, form filling and sign posting to both food bank users and members of the wider community.



Yemen

During Ramadan, aid was delivered through Zakat contributions and the distribution of hot meals to support the most vulnerable, including widows, orphans, and the elderly. Iftar in the form of hot meals, ensured families facing severe food shortages receive nutritious, cooked food daily. These efforts offered crucial relief and hope during the holy month, helping people endure ongoing conflict and hardship.

Youth Activities

Akram Aid launched a youth initiative to deliver free activities for the local community. This included football sessions at the local park, as well as regular indoor activities such as table tennis, pool, foosball, and gaming at a nearby community centre. The programme aimed to provide young people with a safe, engaging, and inclusive environment.



Unfortunately, the activities were placed on hold due to volunteer commitments to fulltime work and elsewhere, together with ongoing weather challenges. Despite the pause, the initiative had a positive impact and demonstrated the need for continued youth engagement in the area. We are currently exploring options for resuming the programme and remain fully committed to restarting these valuable sessions in the very near future.



Administration

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Everything our charity does is underpinned by due diligence and risk management from checking countries in which it works in, organisations, individuals that are worked with and work in the field and always considering the reputation of the charity.

We operate on a 100% Donation Policy. All our work is carried out by experienced and dedicated volunteers. We work alongside other charities that share the same Vision and Ethos. Akram Aid covers the Administration, running and related costs through: Gift aid reclaimed from HMRC Donations received specifically for running costs. Money earned from donations of items / charity sales / auctions.

Message from Trustees

Dear Akram Aid Family — our donors, volunteers, supporters, and friends,

After first thanking the Almighty for granting us the opportunity to help make a difference. It has been a challenging year as we lost 3 Trustees due to personal reasons, however we continue to serve humanity. I'm honoured to share an update on Akram Aid's progress throughout 2024.

Thanks to your continued support and generosity, we've been able to make a meaningful impact on the lives of many—both locally and across the globe. To our donors, supporters, delivery partners, local and national businesses (including those who wish to remain anonymous), our dedicated volunteers, and my incredible team—thank you from the bottom of my heart. Your compassion and commitment are the driving force behind everything we do. As we look ahead, we ask for your continued support—through donations, time, and spreading the word—so we can keep serving those in need with dignity and care.

With sincere gratitude,
Sohail
Founder, Akram Aid



TRUSTEES REPORT

Akram Aid returned a very satisfactory surplus of £19,088 in the financial year compared to a surplus of £7,546 in the previous year. This great result was principally achieved thanks to the generosity of individuals and organizations through donations. We hope that more people will consider benefitting the charity in this way so that our long-term future can be secured.

Income for the year was £44,869 (2023: £46,714)

Expenditure was correspondingly £25,781 (2023: £39,168)

The Trustees are grateful for the service and dedication of the whole team which often extends beyond their contractual commitments. Our volunteers also play a significant role in the successful operation of the charity and whilst there is no cost associated with their work, we would not be able to function without their dedicated assistance.

Bank balances continue in a strong position showing a total of £32,565 compared to £13,477 in the previous year. This healthy position has been arrived at due to donations received during the year. The Trustees regularly discuss the best way to hold funds not required for immediate use but are conscious of the risks inherent in other forms of investment and the current economic uncertainty due to external factors. For the time being the decision has been taken to retain our reserves in bank deposits and professional advice will be required as when this policy changes.

Reserves are needed to bridge the gap between spending and receiving of resources and to cover unplanned emergencies. At 31 December 2024 our total reserves amounted to £31,564 (2023: £12,477) which is a strong position and is the result of an increasing number of donations being received. We have resolved to designate funds to various projects that will meet the aims of the charity and strengthen our position for the future. These projects and the related designated funds are set out in Note 3 to the Balance Sheet.

Our reserves, which are detailed on the Balance Sheet, now comprise:

Restricted funds of £20,970 which represent funding received for specific projects.

Unrestricted funds now amount to £4,595 and the Trustees are considering how best to utilize these funds for the long-term benefit of the Charity.

The Charity Commission recommends that, in order to ensure ongoing viability, a charity should hold between 9 and 15 months of total running costs. Akram Aid's monthly running costs are now approximately £500 and, on this basis, we should be holding between £4,500 and £7,500. We have therefore decided to include within Designated Funds a Safety Reserve of £6,000 in accordance with the Charity Commission recommendation.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:			
Donations - restricted activities	2	43,769	44,071
Donations - unrestricted receipts	2	1,100	2,643
Total		44,869	46,714
 EXPENDITURE ON:			
 <u>Administration expenses:</u>			
Website		1,300	525
Accountancy		1,000	1,000
Subscription and other fees		81	240
 <u>Charitable activities:</u>			
Water project		7,770	5,350
Zakat - Yemen		3,600	5,944
Youth project		320	214
Qurbani project		3,597	2,790
Monthly beneficiaries project		5,363	3,850
Masjid construction project		-	6,000
Ramadan iftar & food project		850	9,705
Flood relief		-	400
Gaza Emergency 2023		1,900	3,150
 Total		25,781	39,168
 NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		19,088	7,546
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:			
Funds brought forward		12,648	5,102
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		31,736	12,648

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2024

	Notes	2024	2023
		£	£
Current Assets: Cash at bank			
Natwest Current Account		27,970	9,844
Natwest Deposit Account		4,595	3,634
Total Cash at bank		32,565	13,478
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Accruals		1,000	1,000
Total net assets		31,565	12,478
Charity funds			
Unrestricted Funds	3	4,595	1,434
Designated Funds	4	6,000	1,200
Restricted	5	20,970	9,844
Total Charity funds		31,565	12,478

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 31/10/2025 and were signed on its behalf by:



M Qulzam - Trustee


[Aaliyah Sohail \(Oct 31, 2025 19:26:17 GMT\)](#)

A Sohail - Trustee

The notes on pages 12 to 13 form part of the financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at fair value.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

Fund's structure

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified either as:

- ☐ a restricted fund or
- ☐ an endowment fund.

Restricted funds are those where the donor has provided for the donation to be spent in furtherance of a specified charitable purpose. Akram Aid's restricted funds tend to result from appeals for specified purposes.

Endowment funds arise when the donor has expressly provided that the gift is to be invested in and only the income of the fund may be spent. These funds are sub analysed between those where the trustee has the discretion to spend the capital (expendable endowment) and those where there is no discretion to expend the capital (permanent endowment).

The trustee decides each year how much of that return is released to income for spending and how much is retained for investment. The allocation is made on an equitable basis to balance the need to fund current projects as well as to invest returns for the future.

Those funds which are neither endowment nor restricted income funds, are unrestricted income funds which are sub analysed between designated (earmarked) funds where the trustee has set aside amounts to be used for specific purposes or which reflect the non-binding wishes of donors and unrestricted funds which are at the trustee's discretion, including the general fund which represents the charity's reserves.

(b) Income resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable (more likely than not) that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

<u>Donations received for:</u>	2024	2023
Masjid construction project	6,780	6,000
Monthly beneficiaries project	5,110	4,990
Qurbani project	3,785	2,965
Ramadan iftar & food project	4,003	5,515
Water project	8,870	5,485
Zakat - Yemen	8,658	9,403
Gaza Emergency	3,930	5,547
Other miscellaneous	2,633	6,809
	43,769	46,714

3. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	2024	2023
Opening balance	1,434	1,162
Received in the year	9,342	2,643
Paid in the year	(1,381)	(1,171)
Transferred to designated funds	(4,800)	(1,200)
	4,595	1,434

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the members of the Akram Aid board or parties related to them has undertaken any transactions with "Akram Aid" or received any benefit from the charity in payment or in kind. Board members received no honoraria or emoluments in the year (2023: NIL).

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AKRAM AID FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

I report on the accounts which are set out on pages 10 to 13.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable 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

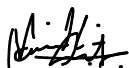
My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from the 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.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn into this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mohammed S Quadri (Oct 31, 2025 19:40:39 GMT)

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Date: 31 October 2025

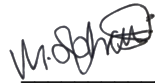
TRUSTEES DECLARATION

DECLARATION

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature (s)



Aaliyah Sohail (Oct 31, 2025 19:26:17 GMT)

Full name

Mohammed S Qulzam

Aaliyah Sohail

Position

Trustee

Trustee

Date

31/10/2025

31/10/2025

We would sincerely like to thank all our staff, volunteers, members, donors and supporters for their continued support of our work. Their support makes a real difference to people's lives and ensures that we can continue to build a community that cares for one another.

Akram Aid Financial Report 2024

Final Audit Report

2025-10-31

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Aaliyah Sohail	Trustee	06-Jul-24
Bushra Ali	Trustee	21-Oct-20
Sohail Qulzam	Trustee	21-Oct-20
Saima Sadiq	Trustee	21-Oct-20

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Our Team of Volunteers

All of the Charity's activities involve trustees and volunteers in the delivery of its charitable purpose. As always, we are extremely grateful to these volunteers in supporting us to deliver the aid and complete projects worldwide.

Achievements and performance

On reviewing the activities of the CIO, our income arises from public donations. The Trustees are responsible for the day-to-day management of the financial and operational matters. Over the course of the period being reported, Akram Aid carried out and implemented various projects with volunteers and its partners to deliver aid to parts of the world.

Outlined below are the projects carried out throughout the period being reported.



Emergency Appeals

Our emergency appeals included support for Syrian refugees, and supporting the people of Pakistan, Yemen and Palestine.

We provided emergency relief to the victims by delivering food packs, hot meals, water, medication, blankets and mosquito nets. We saw that the most needy and essential items were required immediately.

Ramadan

The holy month of Ramadan involves fasting for Muslims across the world and is a time when they are generous with their donations. Millions across the globe fast during the day need to have a sufficient nutritious meal to open their fasts.

Akram Aid delivered food items across countries, reaching many families in the neediest locations in Africa, Eastern and Western Asia.



Gambia

Throughout the year we have completed the construction of water wells, cooked meal distributions to orphans and widows. Distribution of meat during Eid (Qurbani) and Sadaqah meat to the poor and needy in various locations.



Pakistan

The distribution of Emergency supplies in the form of a food parcel for a family of 5 Rice, Oil, Lentils, Wheat flour, Salt, Sugar, Milk powder, Soap. Mosquito nets & blankets. Supporting less abled families. Medical Aid – supporting the locals with pop up clinics run by qualified professionals. Water pumps & Tube Wells. We have also distributed meat during Eid (Qurbani) and gifts for children during the Eid festival.

Palestine

Project activities are conducted with a partner organisation which include Hot Food distributions, Food Parcel provisions and financial support for medical needs. Financial Aid in the form of Zakat in many locations were also distributed to the needy.



Rohingya

The construction of 12 Water pumps within the Rohingya refugee camps located along the border in neighbouring Bangladesh. We have also distributed (Qurbani) meat during Eid.

Syria

Winter Parcels consisting of blankets, gloves, scarfs and hats. Food parcel provisions, Bread supplies, Hot meals and Zakat distributions.



Uganda

Throughout the year we have completed the construction of our first masjid in the village Kamina Rwebigoro.

Other projects include water wells and regularly hot meal distributions to orphans and widows. Distribution of (Qurbani) meat during Eid.



Helping Our Community

SHF with support from Akram Aid have introduced a weekly Advisory Service to support individuals and families.

Offering advice and support with:

- ✓ Benefits
- ✓ Access to Internet
- ✓ Legal Advice
- ✓ Financial Matters

United Kingdom

Akram Aid has been supporting our local food bank via our dedicated volunteers. Chapters foodbank is open to all members of the public. The food bank is stocked via direct donated items from the general public and through provisions purchased from Akram Aid via monetary donations.

We have championed building relationships with local businesses to provide regular food donations to support the Foodbank. Akram Aid in collaboration with Serving Humanity Foundation also run a free weekly Advisory service, offering support to food bank service users and the local community.

Yemen

Food parcel provisions, Bread supplies, Hot meals, Zakat distributions and Blankets during the winter season.



Youth Activities

Akram Aid formed Çarks in another collaboration to deliver Youth Activities for the community with free Football Sessions at the local park and Indoor Activities - Table tennis, Pool, Foosball and gaming on a regular basis at a local community centre. Activities were paused and on hiatus due to volunteer commitments elsewhere and poor weather conditions.



Administration

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a constitution and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Everything the charity does is underpinned by due diligence and risk management from checking countries in which it works in, organisations, individuals that are worked with and work in the field and always considering the reputation of the charity.

We operate on a 100% Donation Policy. All our work is carried out by experienced and dedicated volunteers. We work alongside other charities that share the same Vision and Ethos. Akram Aid covers the Administration, running and related costs through: Gift aid reclaimed from HMRC Donations received specifically for running costs. Money earned from donations of items / charity sales. Specific fundraisers to raise funds for running of charity.

Message from Chairperson

Dear Friends, Donors, Supporters and Volunteers,

After thanking the Almighty giving us the opportunity to serve humanity, I have the pleasure to inform you on Akram Aid's progress 2023. Your support and generosity have made a significant global impact on the lives of many in need. As the world continues to face numerous humanitarian crises, our focus remains on providing vital aid, food, water, shelter, financial assistance, Zakat and education to those that need it the most, in all our covered locations.

A heartfelt thank you to our donors, supporters, delivery partners, local and national businesses (including ones that wish to remain anonymous), volunteers and finally my team.

Please continue to support us in all ways.


Armaan Kazi Ahmed (Sep 24, 2024 23:33 GMT+1)

Armaan Ahmed



TRUSTEES REPORT

Akram Aid returned a very satisfactory surplus of £7,546 in the financial year compared to a surplus of £4,319 in the previous year. This great result was principally achieved thanks to the generosity of individuals and organizations through donations. We hope that more people will consider benefitting the charity in this way so that our long-term future can be secured.

Income for the year was £46,714

Expenditure was correspondingly £39,168

The Trustees are grateful for the service and dedication of the whole team which often extends beyond their contractual commitments. Our volunteers also play a significant role in the successful operation of the charity and whilst there is no cost associated with their work, we would not be able to function without their dedicated assistance.

Bank balances continue in a strong position showing a total of £13,478 compared to £5,102 in the previous year. This healthy position has been arrived at due to donations received during the year. The Trustees regularly discuss the best way to hold funds not required for immediate use but are conscious of the risks inherent in other forms of investment and the current economic uncertainty due to external factors. For the time being the decision has been taken to retain our reserves in bank deposits and professional advice will be required as when this policy changes.

Reserves are needed to bridge the gap between spending and receiving of resources and to cover unplanned emergencies. At 31 December 2023 our total reserves amounted to £12,477 (£4,931) which is a strong position and is the result of an increasing number of donations being received. We have resolved to designate funds to various projects that will meet the aims of the charity and strengthen our position for the future. These projects and the related designated funds are set out in Note xx to the Balance Sheet.

Our reserves, which are detailed on the Balance Sheet, now comprise:

Restricted funds of £9,843 which represent funding received for specific projects.

Unrestricted funds now amount to £3,634 and the Trustees are considering how best to utilize these funds for the long-term benefit of the Charity.

The Charity Commission recommends that, in order to ensure ongoing viability, a charity should hold between 9 and 15 months of total running costs. Akram Aid's monthly running costs are now approximately £130 and, on this basis, we should be holding between £1,170 and £1,950. We have therefore decided to include within Designated Funds a Safety Reserve of £1,200 in accordance with the Charity Commission recommendation.

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023**

	Notes	2023	2022
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		£	£
Donations - restricted activities	2	44,071	58,128
Donations - unrestricted receipts	2	2,643	3,661
Total		46,714	61,789
 EXPENDITURE ON:			
 <u>Administration expenses:</u>			
Website		525	1,200
Accountancy		1,000	1,200
Subscriptions and other fees		240	270
 <u>Charitable Projects / Activities:</u>			
Water		5,350	9,050
Zakat		5,944	8,563
Youth – UK		214	50
Qurbani		2,790	3,811
Orphans		-	3,250
Monthly Beneficiaries		3,850	5,334
Masjid Construction		6,000	16,000
Ramadan Distribution		9,705	4,912
Solar Panels		-	1,440
Wedding Beneficiaries		-	218
Floods / Emergency Relief		400	1,560
Gaza		3,150	-
 Total		39,168	56,687
 NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		7,546	5,102
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:			
Funds brought forward		5,102	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		12,648	5,102

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Current Assets: Cash at bank			
Natwest Current Account		9,844	5,102
Natwest Deposit Account		3,634	-
Total Cash at bank		13,478	5,102
Current Liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year			
Accruals		1,000	-
Total net assets		12,478	5,102
Charity funds			
Unrestricted Funds	3	1,434	1,162
Designated Funds		1,200	-
Restricted		9,844	3,940
Total Charity funds		12,478	5,102

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on _____ and were signed on its behalf by:



M Qulzam - Trustee



Armaan Kazi Ahmed (Sep 24, 2024 23:33 GMT+1)

A Ahmed - Trustee

The notes on pages 12 to 14 form part of the financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at fair value.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

Fund's structure

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified either as:

- ☐ a restricted fund or
- ☐ an endowment fund.

Restricted funds are those where the donor has provided for the donation to be spent in furtherance of a specified charitable purpose. Akram Aid's restricted funds tend to result from appeals for specified purposes.

Endowment funds arise when the donor has expressly provided that the gift is to be invested in and only the income of the fund may be spent. These funds are sub analysed between those where the trustee has the discretion to spend the capital (expendable endowment) and those where there is no discretion to expend the capital (permanent endowment).

The trustee decides each year how much of that return is released to income for spending and how much is retained for investment. The allocation is made on an equitable basis to balance the need to fund current projects as well as to invest returns for the future.

Those funds which are neither endowment nor restricted income funds, are unrestricted income funds which are sub analysed between designated (earmarked) funds where the trustee has set aside amounts to be used for specific purposes or which reflect the non-binding wishes of donors and unrestricted funds which are at the trustee's discretion, including the general fund which represents the charity's reserves.

(b) Income resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable (more likely than not) that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

<u>Donations received for:</u>	2023	2022
Masjid Construction	6,000	16,110
Monthly Beneficiaries	4,990	3,866
Orphans	-	3,255
Qurbani	2,965	3,761
Ramadan Distribution	5,515	6,049
Solar Panels		1,440
Water	5,485	6,620
Zakat	9,403	7,983
Gaza	5,547	-
Other miscellaneous	6,809	12,705
	46,714	61,789

Akram Aid works with various affiliate partners with network of volunteers in various countries. Affiliate partners are registered charities carrying out charitable activities. During the year ended 31st December 2023 a total of £39,168 (2022: £56,687) was spent using the below partners:

Network Partners	2023	%	2022	%
Unite 4 Humanity	32,261	82%	50,166	88%
Miscellaneous	6,907	18%	5,921	10%
Serving Humanity	0	0%	550	1%
Fitya Youth Centre	0	0%	50	0%
	39,168	100%	56,687	100%

3. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	2023	2022
Opening balance	1,162	-
Received in the year	2,643	3,661
Paid in the year	(1,171)	(2,499)
Transferred to designated fund	(1,200)	-
	1,434	1,162

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023 (CONTINUED)

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the members of the Akram Aid board or parties related to them has undertaken any transactions with “Akram Aid” or received any benefit from the charity in payment or in kind. Board members received no honoraria or emoluments in the year (2022: NIL).

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AKRAM AID FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2023

I report on the accounts which are set out on pages 10 to 11.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable 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 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 the 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.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn into this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mohammed S Quadri (Sep 24, 2024 23:29 GMT+1)

Mohammed S Quadri
Institute of Financial Accountants
75 Creighton Avenue
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Date: 24 September 2024

TRUSTEES DECLARATION

DECLARATION

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature (s)	 _____	 Armaan Kazi Ahmed (Sep 24, 2024 23:33 GMT+1) _____
Full name	<u>M Sohail Qulzam</u>	<u>Armaan Kazi Ahmed</u>
Position	Trustee	Chairman
Date	<u>24/09/24</u>	<u>24/09/24</u>

We would sincerely like to thank all our donors, supporters, delivery partners staff, volunteers and members for their continued support of our work. Their support makes a real difference to people's lives and ensures that we can continue to build a community that cares for one another, enabling us to serve humanity. Your generosity builds a hopeful future.

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ABOUT US

continues to focus in the area of education, healthcare, livelihoods and emergency relief. Our strategic geographical focus remains in Eastern Asia, Western Asia, Africa and the UK. We aim to respond to disasters wherever they occur and alhamdulillah our work continues to grow where partnerships are developed.

**"We are dedicated to helping
all those in need"**

Our journey started in October 2020 when a group of close friends and dedicated individuals, who over the years sacrificed their family time to assist in helping multiple charities by supporting, fundraising, cooking and volunteering - merged into a team and decided that we wanted to take our volunteering to the next level.

**Akram is an arabic word,
when translated means
"Most Generous"**

We work independently as well as in partnership with other charities and local organisations that specialise in humanitarian aid work at local and international levels. We are passionate and keen to serve humanity without distinguishing between race, religion, gender or background.



We formed as "Akram Aid" with the responsibilities of Trustees and to continue as volunteers. Our Team do not take any wages or remunerations.

WHAT WE DO

" Where Your Generosity Builds A Hopeful Future "

Akram Aid seeks a world where poverty and suffering have been overcome and people live with dignity.

Our Mission:

We aim to make an immediate and lasting improvement to the lives of people affected by the poverty, war and disaster. In this mission, our work for the alleviation of poverty is carried out through selectively chosen activities:

Education: by improving access to learning;

Healthcare: by improving access to quality of healthcare;

Livelihoods: promoting income generation at household level to improve economic wellbeing;

Emergency relief: provision of food, water, medicines and shelter in times of crisis;

Qurbani and Aqeeqah: helping people celebrate these festivals;

Widows & Orphans: improving their welfare;

Water & Sanitation: improving access to clean water and improve sanitation.

Our Values: Equality

Respect: We affirm the dignity, potential and contribution of participants, donors, partners, staff and volunteers.

Integrity: We act consistently with our mission, being honest and transparent in what we say and do.

Partnerships: We work together effectively to serve the larger community.

Quality: We constantly challenge ourselves to the highest levels of learning and performance to achieve greater impact.

We believe the lives of all human beings are of equal value

A HELPING HAND



'The one who cares for an orphan and myself will be together in Paradise like this' - Bukhari

In communities all throughout the Ummah, widows predominantly lead the most impoverished homes.

The most vulnerable demographic in the Ummah is still children without parents. Sadly, as conflicts spread and natural calamities worsen, the numbers of orphans are growing.



Sponsor a Widow / Needy family for just £50 a month to assist them with the running of their household, giving them freedom to spend the funds with independence - used to pay for food, school fees and any other outgoings.

Alhamdulillah, we currently have 8 families in both Bangladesh & Pakistan that are being sponsored by multiple donors, who have committed with ongoing monthly support.

No mother wants to see her children go hungry

AFRICA

2 x Masjids built in
Gambia

5 x Waterwells in
Gambia

2 x Handpumps in
Sierra Leone



Clean
accessible
water is needed
to survive.

Unfortunately, many people do not have enough access to clean water, which leads to hundreds of unnecessary deaths each year. Therefore, water has been provided to communities in Gambia & Sierra Leone in the form of hand pumps & wells.

Sacrifices of cattle are given on behalf of donors for their loved ones, are cooked and distributed as hot meals to the destitute.

Sadaqah - Nutrient-dense, hot meals to the millions living across Uganda

Many rural Muslim communities do not have a dedicated place to practice. Masjids have been built in Gambia serving the community to ensure that the communal obligation of Islam is upheld.



"Whoever builds a mosque for Allah, Allah will build for him a house like it in Paradise."

EASTERN ASIA



**"Which charity is best?"
The Prophet SAW said,
"A drink of water."**

**More than ever before,
communities around the
world are in urgent need**

**of clean and safe water for drinking, cooking and hygiene.
Tubewells and Wudu stations have been built for communities,
schools and orphanages in multiple locations in Bangladesh,
Pakistan and India.**

**Beneficiaries are verified and
vetted, to ascertain whether
individuals qualify for support.**

**Donations helped us provide a
Solar Package to rural areas in
Pakistan in our "Light Up Their World" project that enabled us to
give a battery pack, solar panel, socket, light and a fan to the needy**



Bangladesh - 8 x Handpumps & 3 x Tubewells;

Pakistan - 2 x Handpump, 2 x Tubewells & 2 x with Wudu Station;

India - 1 x Tubewell with Wudu Station;

were built last year & are currently being utilised.

WESTERN ASIA

'Surely from among the deeds that make Paradise incumbent is the feeding of a hungry Muslim' - Hakim



During cold nights Akram Aid have provided support to families across Yemen with winter blankets. Food shortages have also increased, leaving millions to face starvation. Hot meals and food parcels have been distributed to families that are suffering.

Over 80% of Gaza's population heavily rely on handouts for survival.

Thousands of families in Palestine have been left with little more than the most basic supplies due to the occupation, violence, unemployment and continued poverty.

Akram Aid frequently provide fresh bread from our local delivery partner at a bakery, to the impoverished civilians of Gaza.

Food parcels have also been provided to needy families across the Gaza strip.



We have successfully carried out slaughter and delivered Udhiyah meat during the month of Eid Ul Adha to the impoverished and needy in Gaza, Syria and Yemen.

Over 100 Food Parcels were handed out in Yemen and over 125 Food Parcels in Gaza

U.K

Chapters Foodbank, Goodmayes

Your generous donations have enabled us to supply Chapters Foodbank in Goodmayes with essentials. Akram Aid has championed in building relationships with local businesses to provide regular donations to support the Foodbank too.

SHFAA, Advisory Services

We are also proud of our collaboration with Serving Humanity Foundation to form SHFAA - an Advisory Service to help the Foodbank service users and the local community.

Charks, Chadwell Heath

We formed Charks with Br. Mohamad in another collaboration to deliver Youth Activities for the



local community with free Football Sessions in the Park and Indoor Activities - Table tennis, Pool, Foosball and Ps5 on the big screen on a weekly basis at a local community centre in Chadwell Heath.



Recite With Us, Milton Keynes

A special thank you to Qari Armaan from "Recite With Us", our first sponsor who has been instrumental in providing us support to cover overheads.



A MASSIVE "Jazākumullāhu khairan" / Thank you to all of the local businesses wishing to remain anonymous, for supporting us with fundraising and their generous donations

RAMADAN

'Surely from among the deeds that make Paradise incumbent is the feeding of a hungry Muslim' - Hakim



Akram Aid was able to provide households across Palestine, Rohingya and Yemen with essential food supplies through our network of volunteers and delivery partners.

Throughout this blessed month, our brothers and sisters received the basic necessities like rice, flour, sugar, milk powder, oil, pasta, sauce, beans, tea and dates in a Food Parcel for up to one month.

We provided Hot meals at Iftar that included rice with chicken, bread, dates and water.



We planted 363 Olive Trees in Gaza, Palestine and also distributed over 300 bags of fresh bread, baked daily in packs of 50, delivered to needy families and individuals.



Gaza 2021/22

- Food Parcels
- Fresh Bread

Rohingya 2021

- Food Parcels
- Hot Meals

Yemen 2022

- Food Parcels
- Hot Meals

"Indeed, Zakat are only [to be given] to the poor and the indigent, and to those who work on administering it, and to those whose hearts are to be reconciled, and to free those in bondage, and to the debt-ridden, and for the cause of Allah, and to the wayfarer. This is an obligation from Allah and Allah is all-knowing, all-wise." {Al-Qur'an, 9:60}

ZAKAT

According to the practice of the Prophet (SAW), his companions as well as the most reliable ahadith - "when you contribute Zakat, this Zakat is paid (out) in cash".



Whether the money is utilised for shelter, food, paying off debts, or anything else, it is entirely up to the receiver; it is not our concern how the person above uses the money.

Egypt

Pakistan

Sana, Yemen

Gaza, Palestine

Rohingya Camps, Bangladesh

Akram Aid strives to ensure that donations are given to those who fit the aforementioned categories in the listed countries.

Zakat

is the compulsory giving of a set proportion of one's wealth to charity.





Fidyah

FIDYAH / FITRANA

Fidyah, is for people who have a valid reason for not fasting. If you cannot fast in Ramadan due to a valid reason, then you must make up for

missed fasts after Ramadan, once you are able to do so. If you are unable to make up for missed fasts due to a long-term illness or old age for example, then you need to pay Fidyah to provide a meal for another.

We have distributed Fidyah in Bangladesh and in Yemen too.



Fitrana

Fitrana, is the compulsory charity paid by every

Muslim adult and child before the end of Ramadan. It is paid as early as possible, so that food can be distributed to the poor in time for Eid. Fitrana has been distributed both in the Rohingya Camps and in Sana.



We distributed Udhiyah / Qurbani for Donors during Eid Ul Adha to the needy in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Africa too.

SADAQAH

Media - photo/video evidence is provided for all works done.

A 'Sadaqah' sacrifice is a voluntary sacrifice performed for the sake of Allah either for yourself or on behalf of someone else.



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Our Sadaqah Sacrifice service involves the sacrifice of a goat distributed to the most needy with rice in the form of a hot meal, offered in Africa & Asia.

We also provide the option to offer an Aqeeqah or sacrifice for a newborn child. An Aqeeqah involves the sacrifice of one goat for a girl and two goats for a boy, with the meat being distributed to disadvantaged local communities in the chosen country of the sacrifice by the donor.

TRUSTEES REPORT

AKRAM AID

(Charity Registration Number: 1195519)

**TRUSTEES' ANNUAL
REPORT,
STRATEGIC REPORT &
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD FROM
16 AUGUST 2021
to
31 DECEMBER 2022**

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Bushra Ali (Volunteer Treasurer)

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STRATEGIC REPORT

OBJECTS AND PUBLIC BENEFIT

The objects of the Charity

1. To relieve financial hardship, distress and suffering among poor people, widows, orphans, victims of natural disasters and other people in need by means of, but not exclusively, making grants for providing or paying for items, equipment, services, and facilities, including the provision of food, clean water and clothing, medical treatment and costs for attending school for the benefit of the said persons;
2. Promote such other charitable purposes as may from time to time be determined

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a Constitution and is registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation

DUE DILIGENCE

Everything the charity does is underpinned by due diligence and risk management from checking countries in which it works in, organisations, individuals that are worked with and work in the field and always considering the reputation of the charity.

STRATEGIC REPORT

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees of Akram Aid are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report including the Strategic Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Charities Act 2011 requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure (of the charity for that period).

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 2015 (FRS102);
- make judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable 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 not appropriate to assume that the charity will continue in operation

STRATEGIC REPORT

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board of Trustees is responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity, and to enable also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Each of the persons who is a trustee at the date of approval of this report confirms that:

- there is no relevant information of which the charity's independent examiners are unaware;
- they have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant financial information and to establish that the charity's aware of that information.

The Trustees' Annual Report and the Strategic Report were approved by the Board of Trustees on 27 March 2023 and signed on its behalf by:



Armaan K Ahmed
Chairman

STRATEGIC REPORT

RISK MANAGEMENT

- The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

COMPLIANCE

- Continue to review policies and procedures to deliver a stronger governance structure.
- Establish a robust induction process and create an annual training program for Trustees.
- Plan for succession of trustees and members, build capacity and improve processes to increase diversity, ensure a broader range of skills and improve compliance.
- Carry out regular reviews of Sponsored families to ensure continued eligibility.

FUNDRAISING & INCOME GENERATION

- Maintain a net income of the charity at a sustainable £100k per annum.
- Invest in making better use of Social Media streamsthrough digital fundraising
- Explore funding opportunities to develop and grow current Youth services
- Develop further support for charitable giving to good causes

STRATEGIC REPORT

ADMINISTRATION

We operate on a 100% Donation Policy. All our work is carried out by experienced and dedicated volunteers.

We work alongside other charities that share the same Vision and Ethos.

Akram Aid covers the Administration, running and related costs through:

Gift aid reclaimed from HMRC

Donations received specifically for running costs.

Money earned from donations of items / charity sales.

Specific fundraisers to raise funds for running of charity.

MESSAGE FROM CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Dear Friends, Donors, Supporters and Volunteers,

After thanking the Almighty giving us the opportunity to serve humanity, I have the pleasure to inform you on Akram Aid's progress 2021-22. Your support and generosity have made a significant global impact on the lives of many in need. As the world continues to face numerous humanitarian crises, our focus remains on providing vital aid, food, water, shelter, financial assistance, Zakat and education to those that need it the most, in all our covered locations.

A heartfelt thank you to our donors, supporters, volunteers, partners and my team. Please continue to support us in all ways.

ACTIVITIES

TO OUR DONORS

"We are deeply grateful for your unwavering support and commitment to our mission. Your generosity has made a tangible and meaningful impact on the lives of those in need, and for that, we are eternally thankful. Thank you for your continued efforts to make a difference in the world."

ABROAD / OVERSEAS

Bangladesh - Tube Well x3

Bangladesh - Hand Pump x8

Bangladesh- Monthly Family Support x3

Pakistan - Handpump x2

Pakistan - Wudhu Station x2

Pakistan - Tube Well x2

Pakistan - Orphanage Education

Pakistan - Solar Project x12

Pakistan - Orphan Weddings

Pakistan - Monthly Family Support x5

Pakistan - Emergency Floods

Gambia - Water Well x5

Gambia - Masjid x2

Gaza - Bakery Project

Sierra Leone - Hand Pump x2

Uganda - Animal Sacrifice x16

Uganda - Hotmeals x60

Yemen - Zakat

Yemen - Fidya/Fitrana

Yemen - Foodparcels x101

Yemen - Iftar Meals x280

Qurbani - Misc Countries x38

UNITED KINGDOM

Romford - Charks Youth Activities

Goodmayes - SHFAA Advisory Service

Goodmayes - Foodbank Support

Chadwell Heath - Fitya Centre

EXAMINER REPORT

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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. 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.

RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the members of the Akram Aid board or parties related to them has undertaken any transactions with "Akram Aid" or received any benefit from the charity in payment or kind. Board members received no honoraria or emoluments in the year.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER

TO THE TRUSTEES OF AKRAM AID ON ACCOUNTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM
16 AUGUST 2021 TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

I report on the accounts which are set out on pages 24 to 30.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Act and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the applicable 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 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 the 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.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn into this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Mohammed S Quadri
Institute of Financial Accountants
75 Creighton Avenue.
East Ham, London E6 3DT

Date: 10th July 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD FROM 16 AUGUST 2021 TO 31 DECEMBER 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	2022 Total funds
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM:		£	£	£
Donations		3,661	58,128	61,789
Total		3,661	58,128	61,789
EXPENDITURE ON:				
<u>Administration expenses:</u>				
Website		1,200		1,200
Accountancy		1,200		1,200
Zoom annual subscription		99		99
Stripe Transaction Fees		76		76
Paypal Transaction Fees		17		17
Global Web Pay Transaction Fees		78		78
<u>Charitable activities:</u>				
Water Project			9,050	9,050
Zakat - Yemen			8,563	8,563
Youth Project			50	50
Qurbani Project			3,811	3,811
Orphan Project			3,250	3,250
Monthly Beneficiaries Project			5,334	5,334
Masjid Construction Project			16,000	16,000
Ramadan Iftar & Food Project			4,912	4,912
Solar Project			1,440	1,440
Wedding Beneficiary Project			218	218
Flood Relief			1,560	1,560
Total		2,670	54,188	56,858
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE)		991	3,940	4,931
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:				
Funds brought forward		-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		991	3,940	4,931

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2022 Total funds £
Cash at bank and in hand	991	3,940	4,931
NET ASSETS	991	3,940	4,931
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY			
Unrestricted			991
Restricted			3,940
TOTAL FUNDS			4,931

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 10th July 2023 and were signed on its behalf by:



M Qulzam - Trustee



A Ahmed - Trustee

The notes on pages 27 to 29 form part of the financial statements

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at fair value.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued in October 2019 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011 and UK Generally Accepted Practice as it applies from 1 January 2019.

Fund's structure

Where there is a legal restriction on the purpose to which a fund may be put, the fund is classified either as:

- a restricted fund or
- an endowment fund.

Restricted funds are those where the donor has provided for the donation to be spent in furtherance of a specified charitable purpose.

Akram Aid's restricted funds tend to result from appeals for specified purposes.

Endowment funds arise when the donor has expressly provided that the gift is to be invested in and only the income of the fund may be spent. These funds are sub analysed between those where the trustee has the discretion to spend the capital (expendable endowment) and those where there is no discretion to expend the capital (permanent endowment).

The trustee decides each year how much of that return is released to income for spending and how much is retained for investment. The allocation is made on an equitable basis to balance the need to fund current projects as well as to invest returns for the future.

Those funds which are neither endowment nor restricted income funds, are unrestricted income funds which are sub analysed between designated (earmarked) funds where the trustee has set aside amounts to be used for specific purposes or which reflect the non-binding wishes of donors and unrestricted funds which are at the trustee's discretion, including the general fund which represents the charity's reserves.

(b) Income resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources, it is probable (more likely than not) that the resources will be received, and the monetary value of incoming resources can be measured with sufficient reliability. Where there are terms or conditions attached to incoming resources, particularly grants, then these terms or conditions must be met before the income is recognised as the entitlement condition will not be satisfied until that point. Where terms or conditions have not been met or uncertainty exists as to whether they can be met then the relevant income is not recognised in the year but deferred and shown on the balance sheet as deferred income.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

Donations received for:	£
Masjid Construction Project	16,110
Monthly Beneficiaries Project	3,866
Orphan Project	3,255
Qurbani Project	3,761
Ramadan Iftar & Food Project	6,049
Solar Project	1,440
Water Project	6,620
Zakat – Yemen	7,983
Other Miscellaneous	12,705
	<u>61,789</u>

Akram Aid works with various affiliate partners with our network of volunteers in various countries. Affiliate partners are registered charities carrying out charitable activities.

During the period ended 31st Dec 2022 a total of £56,858 was spent using the below partners:

Network Partners	£	%
Unite 4 Humanity	50,166	88%
Miscellaneous	6,092	11%
Serving Humanity	550	1%
Fitya Youth Centre	50	0%
	<u>56,858</u>	<u>100 %</u>

3. PRE REGISTRATION ACTIVITIES

Charitable activities commenced from 2020 during the difficult COVID-19 period but only registered on 16th August 2021. The financial transactions relating to pre- registration period have not been included in the financial statements on page 11 and 12. The following activity was relevant during period from 27th January 2020 to 15th August 2021:

£

Donations Received	46,258
Eye Appeal	(4,190)
Family Support	(3,589)
Monthly Beneficiaries	(7,850)
Mosque Build Project	(156)
Olive Tree Project	(1,452)
Prisoner Integration Project	(350)
Ramadan & Hot Food	(9,903)
Sewing Machine Project	(100)
Solar Project	(60)
Water Project	(8,551)
Wedding Project	(2,130)
Zoom Subscription	(243)
Qurbani Project	(4,776)
Website Hosting	(97)
Education Project	(100)
Surplus	<u>2,711</u>

4. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

None of the members of the Akram Aid board or parties related to them has undertaken any transactions with “Akram Aid” or received any benefit from the charity in payment or kind. Board members received no honoraria or emoluments in the year.