



# THE WORLD FEDERATION

OF KHOJA SHIA ITHNA-ASHERI MUSLIM COMMUNITIES

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***In the name of Allah, the Most Kind, the Most Merciful***

## **News and Events**

### **Elections 2009: Message from the Electoral Commissioner on Register of Voters Update**

The Electoral Commissioner has presented the status of Register of Voters as at 18 June 2009 which has been highlighted for transparency reasons. The deadline for submission of Registers is 30 June 2009.

### **Gaza Crisis 2009: WF to repair 21 shelters**

Since the onset of the Gaza crisis, countless donors from our worldwide communities have come together to raise funds to help the distraught Palestinian people. After a thorough assessment by the UN, The World Federation and UNRWA have agreed to partner in the **Emergency Shelter Repair and Reconstruction Programme** and in June 2009, The World Federation released USD \$76,000 in aid to UNRWA to provide shelter repairs for 21 families living in Gaza.

### **Swat Valley Relief Appeal – Swat, Pakistan**

Working in partnership with the Hussaini Foundation of Pakistan, The World Federation is launching the Swat Valley Relief Appeal to raise funds to purchase 20,000 urgently needed insecticide bed nets for the displaced people of the Swat Valley in northern Pakistan.

### **SOS Programme: African seniors on board**

The World Federation is pleased to announce that the SOS Programme is now set up in Africa where 195 senior citizens living in dire poverty will receive monthly financial aid so that they can afford the basic essentials of life. Working in partnership with the Bilal Muslim Mission of Tanzania, 25 senior citizens in Tanzania and working in partnership with the Bilal Muslim Mission of Kenya, 170 seniors in Kenya will soon be the pioneers of the SOS programme in Africa.

### **WF funds housing repairs – Hangu, Pakistan**

The World Federation has partnered with the Hussaini Foundation of Pakistan to rebuild homes in the District of Hangu that were either damaged or destroyed by the Taliban. Last Muharram, the Taliban destroyed 27 houses and damaged 74 homes using heavy ammunition.

### **Lecture CD on Imam Ali (as) – London, UK**

The World Federation's Islamic Education team is releasing its latest selection of lectures by Marhum Mulla Asghar. Through these CDs, discover how Imam Ali (as) was the true human manifestation of Allah on this earth, and our need to emulate him in our own journey back to Allah. Contact [islamiceduation@world-federation.org](mailto:islamiceduation@world-federation.org) to order your set.

### **Programme on Khoja history – Qum, Iran**

The World Federation Qum office in collaboration with Dar al-Zahra (sa) hosted a programme on: "The Relevance of Karbala in The Evolution of The Khoja Shia Ithna' Asheri Muslim Community", presented by Br Hasan Jaffer of Mombasa, Kenya. A total of 120 slides were presented outlining the origins and movement of Islam to India and to the birth of the Khoja Shia Itha-Asheri identity.

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