



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 Election Dates

Thank you to those Jamaats who have informed the Electoral Commissioner of the dates they have set for balloting their members for the election of the President for the term 2009-2012. All remaining Members and their constituents are now requested to **ballot their members on Saturday, 5 September 2009**. May I request all World Federation Members to acknowledge this email and confirm [a] the above directive will be followed and [b] they have notified their constituent members of the same.

Online presidential election debate

On 22 August 2009 at 17:00, The Abbasi Youth of the Birmingham Jamaat are organising an online debate among the 6 Presidential candidates for The World Federation. The debate will take place at Mehfil e Abbas in Birmingham, UK and will be chaired by Br. Murtaza Lakha. Community members worldwide can submit a question and watch the debate live online by visiting www.wfelection2009.com

Sharing best practices on health care with the UN

The World Federation continues to provide quality health care in the developing nations. Recently, its Health Team submitted a report on a health care awareness initiative in Bihar, India held on January 2007 to the United Nation's (UN) ECOSOC Best Practise Network. The purpose of submitting the report was to share best practices of The World Federation with the United Nations.

Revisiting new and improved BMMK facilities

On 20th June 2009 the residents of Miamba, Bahakanda and Burani villages just south of Mombasa had the opportunity to meet with the President of The World Federation, Al Haj Dr Ahmed Hassam. In April 2004 and September 2005, Dr Ahmed Hassam first visited these Bilal Muslim Mission of Kenya (BMMK) Centers and met with the local Shia community there. He was moved by the dilapidated facilities of the mosque and classrooms. Since then, support provided by The World Federation and other donors have provided the means to significantly renovate these Centers.

BMMK Opening Ceremony for Jaffery Centre

On 21 June 2009, The President of the World Federation accompanied by The Africa Federation Councilors and 48 Mombasa Jamaat members visited 3 BMMK rural Centers of Kinango district, West of Mombasa. One of the projects they saw was at Mackinnon Road which involved the extension and renovation of Masjid Jaffery, the renovation of a tailoring classroom, the construction of four new classroom blocks and residence for the Masjid Imam. This project has been jointly sponsored by The World Federation, KSI Jamaats of Africa Federation, Orison Charitable Trust and other anonymous donors.

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