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News and Events

Update on Muballigheen Training Program – Damascus, Syria

The WF Islamic Education Board, IEB, is pleased to announce the commencement of the Muballigheen Training Programme, MTP, which will train and provide high quality scholars. MTP will accept its first intake of students in September, 2007. Hujjatul Islam wal Muslimeen Shaykh Haleem Behbahani, the Syria representative of Ayatullah al Uzma Sayyid Ali al-Hussaini Sistani, has agreed to obtain permissions and permits, assist with the curriculum, and the recruitment of senior lecturers.

CoEJ Boys Camp 2007 - Application Form Now Online

The Education Committee of the Council of European Jamaats, CoEJ, is proud to present 'Sweden Boys Camp 2007', to be held at Kårsögården, near Stockholm, Sweden, from August 5 – 18, 2007. The camp, for boys ages 11-16, will offer a variety of activities including religious discourse and various sports. Application deadline is March 1, 2007. Visit the WF website for application form, and to view reports of past camps.

CHB News Flash

Central Health Board is pleased to announce the addition of a hotel, Suba Galaxy in Colaba area, to its list of special rate hotels to cater the needs of those seeking medical treatment in Mumbai, India. Read more on the WF website

SIM Donates towards ZCSS Higher Education - London, UK

The Shia Ithna Asheri Madressa of Stanmore recently donated £1,050 in their end of year prize awarding ceremony, towards the ZCSS Higher Education Fund.

World Federation represented at The First Emirates Astronomical Conference – Dubai, UAE

An International Astronomy Conference, organized by the "Emirates Astronomical Society" in cooperation with the "Islamic Crescents Observation Project" and the "Center for Documentation and Research", was held in Abu Dhabi on 13 and 14 December, 2006. Issues such as observing of the crescent, prayer time calculations and the Islamic Hijri calendar were among the few topics discussed in depth. A complete report, together with suggested recommendations, is available on the WF website.

The 2nd CPD Course for Muballigheen – London, UK

Following the success of the first CPD course on Quranic Sciences, the WF Islamic Education Board, IEB, in conjunction with the Council of European Jamaats, CoEJ, successfully conducted the second Continuing Professional Development, CPD, course for Muballigheen of the community on 'Media Skills'. The content of the course included interview skills for both radio and television, the impact of legislation, broadcasting an Islamic radio programme, press releases, and understanding the agendas behind an interview. For more on this, email ieb@world-federation.org

Wessex Jamaat granted £7,462.50 from the European Social Fund - UK

Wessex Jamaat applied and was accepted for a European Global Grant that is made "available to breakdown barriers to employment for disadvantaged and underrepresented groups or individuals". The grant will apply towards funds for training on presentation skills for mainly female community members and Madressa teachers. The 6-day course will commence in February 2007 and will be spread over a six month duration. For further information on this grant, email secretariat@world-federation.org

India Documentary

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Your Calendar

Ziyarat of Shuhada e Kerbala, 12th Muharram – February 2007

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