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As of August 2020, the Anjuman has loaned out approximately US\$ 2.20 million to 415 students pursuing undergraduate, graduate and post graduate degrees in educational institutions in the United States. We are neither able to thank Allah enough for His mercy nor you for the continued patronage. Thanks.

(BA Psychology), Syed Ali Asad Naqvi (BS Home- land Security), Kumail Raza (BS), Asad Syed (Podiatry), Areeb Rizvi (BS), Syed Hasan Fawwad (BS Information Technology), Komael Syed (BS Cyber Security), Abbas Ali Khan (Medicine), Raza Hussain (Dentistry), Fizzah Mirza (Pharm D) and Yousuf Abbas (BS Computer Sciences). We wish the borrowers the best of luck in their studies and pray for their academic and professional success.

FELICITATIONS

The Anjuman extends our heartiest felicitations to the community on the auspicious occasions of Eid e Ghadeer and Eid e Mubahila. May Allah grant us the wisdom to understand the true teachings of the Ahle Bait (A.S.) and the fortitude to follow their path and be counted amongst their true followers both in letter and in spirit.

LOANS GRANTED

For the loan application cycle ending on June 30, 2020, the Anjuman received 23 applications. 18 of those applications met the conditions and were approved. In this cycle, ***the Anjuman granted loans in the amount of USD 61, 314. These interest free loans would collectively save approximately USD 50,000 in interest. We are humbled to have the opportunity to save the valuable resources of the community and be able to contribute to the academic and professional success of our youth.*** The successful candidates in this cycle include: Syed Mohammad Raza Jafri (B.S. Engineering), Syed Ali Abidi (BA Psychology), Sajida Bandali (Masters in Social Work), Zainub Ali (BS Physician's Assistant), Zahraa Mohammad (Post Bachelors Life Sciences), Mehmooda Syeda (MS Health Informatics), Ahmad Abbas (MS Cyber Security), Danyal Rizvi

For those borrowers who were not able to secure the loans in this cycle, we encourage them to apply again in the next cycle. The application portal will open on October 1 and will remain open until the deadline of November 30, 2020.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The Anjuman has a very objective application process in order to ensure fairness to all the applicants. The rules are clearly laid out and applied uniformly to all applicants without any favoritism. In fact, our application process is very thoughtfully designed in a way that helps our young applicants to gain self -confidence and to prepare for managing their affairs in practical life. We encourage the applicants to handle the whole application process themselves and not to rely on parents, uncles and aunts to complete the forms and the formalities on their behalf. We also request the elders to kindly guide the applicants in completing the formalities but let the applicants handle the applications themselves and not to spoon feed them. This would only instill a sense of responsibility in the younger generation and would equip them to handle the challenges of life with courage and confidence.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Anjuman extends our heartiest congratulations to the following members on the wedding of their children: **Mr. and Mrs. Shehryar Haider** (member of the Executive Committee of the Anjuman) on the wedding of their son **Dr. Abbas Haider**; to **Mr. and Mrs. Hasan Ali** on the wedding their daughter **Dr. Anam Ali**; to **Mr. and Mrs. Abbas Khawaja** on the wedding of their daughter **Dr. Zara Abbas** and to **Mr. and Mrs. Faiz Ali** on the wedding of their daughter **Rabab Ali**. We wish the newly wed couples a long and happy married life. May Allah bless them with happiness and love for each other.

FAITH, KUFR and DOUBT – EXPLAINED BY IMAM ALI (A.S.)

The Gateway of Knowledge of the City (The Noble Messenger) the Commander of the Faithful Imam Ali (a.s.) defined “The Faith”, “The Unbelief (Kufr)” and “The Doubt” in one of his spontaneous sermons which were collected by Allamah Sharif Razi (r.a.) “**Nahjul Balagha**”. Imam Ali (a.s.) said,

“**Faith** stands on four supports: on endurance, conviction, justice and Jihad (struggle in the way of Allah (s.w.t.)). Endurance again has four aspects: eagerness, fear, abstention (from the world) and anticipation (of death). So, whoever is eager of Paradise will ignore the passions; whoever fears the Fire (of Hell) will refrain from the prohibited acts; whoever abstains from the world takes hardships lightly; and whoever anticipated death will hasten towards good deeds.

Conviction has also four aspects: prudent perception, intelligence and understanding, drawing lessons from instructive things, and following the precedents of past people. So, whoever perceives with prudence, wise knowledge will be manifest to him, and whomsoever wise knowledge becomes manifest, he appreciates instructive objects, and whoever appreciates instructive objects he is just like past people.

Justice also has four aspects: Keen understanding, deep knowledge, a good power of decision and firm forbearance. Therefore, whoever understands comes to acquire depth of knowledge; whoever acquires depth of knowledge drinks from

the spring of judgment; and whoever exercises forbearance never commits evil actions in his affairs and leads a praiseworthy life among the people.

Jihad has also four aspects: to ask others to do good, to keep away others from doing evil, to fight (in the way of Allah) sincerely and firmly on all occasions and to detest the vicious. So, whoever asks others to do good provides strength to the believers; whoever desists others from evil humiliates the unbelievers; whoever fights sincerely on all occasions discharges all his obligations; and whoever detests the vicious and becomes angry for the sake of Allah, then Allah will be angry in favor of him and will keep him pleased on the Day of Judgment.

Unbelief stands on four supports: hankering after whims, mutual quarrelling, deviation from the truth, and dissension. So, whoever hankers after whims does not incline towards right: whoever quarrels much on account of ignorance remains permanently blinded from the right; whoever deviates from truth, for him good becomes evil and evil becomes good and he remains intoxicated with misguidance; and whoever makes a breach (with Allah and Messenger) , his path becomes difficult, his affairs becomes complicated, and his way of escape becomes narrow.

Doubt has also four aspects: Unreasonableness, fear, wavering and undue submission to everything. So, he who adopts unreasonableness as his way, for him there is no dawn after the night; he who is afraid of what befalls him has to run on his heels; he who wavers in doubt Shaitans trample him under their feet and he who submits to the destruction of this world and tile next world succumbs to it.

Source: Nahjul Balagha by Allama Sayyid Razi (r.a.)

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Membership Form

(Tax Exempt under IRS 13-3588100)

Dear Sir,

I wish to become a member of the Anjuman Wazifa Sadaat o Momineen and enclose herewith my check/cash/online payment for US\$_____being the subscription for the year _____ or for Life time Membeship. I hereby undertake to abide by the Anjuman's Constitution, Rules and Regulations as approved by the Board of Directors.

Date: _____

Full Name: _____

Telephone No. _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

Introduced By: _____

I am donating a sum of US\$ _____

to support educational programs of the Anjuman.

I am contributing US\$__ from my Khums money. *(Anjuman has obtained 'Ijaza' from Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Al- Seestani)*

I am donating a sum of US\$_____to establish an "Endowment Fund" in the memory of my late _____, the income from which will be utilized by the Anjuman for supporting its aims and objectives.

Name and contact information of person(s) who may be interested in Anjuman's membership:

Name _____

Address and Tel #: _____

Name _____

Address and Tel #: _____

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CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

CARDHOLDER INFORMATION

Name: _____
Billing Address: _____
City _____ State _____ Postal Code _____
Country _____
E Mail Address : _____
Telephone Number: _____

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION

Credit Card Type MasterCard Visa American Express Discover
Credit Card Number: _____ Security Code: _____
Expiration Month: _____ Expiration Year: _____
Cardholder Signature: _____
Date: _____

DONATION INFORMATION

I authorize a one- time charge on my credit card in the amount of \$ _____
 I authorize a recurring charge on my credit card in the amount of \$ _____
once every _____ (month/year) beginning on _____
and ending on _____ or indefinitely.

The Purpose of my contribution is:

Annual Membership Dues
 Lifetime Membership Dues
 Khums
 Contribution to Yadgar Fund in the memory of _____
 Donation
 Repayment of my student loan from the Anjuman