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As of December 2020, the Anjuman has loaned out approximately US\$ 2.25 million to over 360 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.

(Medicine), Mehmooda Syeda (Masters – Health Informatics), Ahmed Abbas (Masters – Cyber Security), Syed Tabeer Zehra (Masters – Public Health/Epidemiology), Talib Haider (Pharmacy). In this cycle, 8 of the applicants were females while 7 were male. 14 out of the 15 applicants are pursuing advanced education in sciences while one candidate is pursuing masters in social sciences. We wish the best of luck to the successful candidates in their educational pursuits.

FOREWARD

The Anjuman wishes its members and readers a very happy, healthy and prosperous 2021. May this year bring peace to the world and happiness for all. We pray to the Almighty to make this year the year in which we dedicate ourselves to embracing the highest standards of taqwa and pursue the highest moral and ethical standards. May this year be the one in which we also dedicate ourselves for bringing up the needy, the downtrodden and enable others to live a better life.

LOAN APPLICATIONS APPROVED

For the Spring 2021 semester, the Anjuman received 15 completed applications and **all** of them have been approved. The successful candidates include: Maria Kazmi (Medicine), Zahraa Mohammad (Masters – Biological Sciences), Areeb Abbas Rizvi (Bachelors – Biological Sciences), Komael Syed (Bachelors – Cyber Security), Fatima Zaidi (Pharmacy), Zainab Ali (Bachelors – Biology, Asad Syed (Podiatry), Sajida Bandali (Masters – Social Work), Sara Shirazi (Bachelors – Physician's Assistant), Syed Hasan Fawad (Bachelors – Information Technology), Abbas Ali Khan

Total amount of approved loans in this cycle is \$53,000. We estimate that this has saved the community a total of \$34,000 in interest cost over a period of 8 years. This interest saving estimate is for this one cycle alone. On an annualized basis the estimate of savings collectively for the community would be \$68,000.

OBITUARY

The Anjuman extends our heartfelt condolences to Dr. Saboor Haider of Maryland and Mrs. Azmat Raza of New Jersey on the demise of their sister, Mrs. Aleemun Nisa Nawab who passed away on Dec. 18, 2020 in Karachi. Mrs. Aleemun Nisa Nawab was also the maternal aunt of Mohamed Ali Haider, the General Secretary of the Anjuman. Readers are requested to kindly offer a sura e fateha for the soul of late Aleemun Nisa Nawab d/o Dr. Wazir Husain Rizvi.

We offer our heartfelt condolences to the family of late Nasir Abbas Rizvi of NJ who passed away in early January due to COVID -19. Nasir Bhai, or Nasir Naara, as he was lovingly referred to by everyone in the community was a strong supporter of the Anjuman and a long time member.

We pray to Allah to grant him the highest place in Jannat and grant him maghfirat with the intercession of the Masoomeen A.S. Kindly offer a sura e fateha for the soul of Syed Nasir Abbas Rizvi s/o Sikandar Agha Rizvi.

YADGAR FUND UPDATE

Dr. Shireen Madad contributed an additional \$3,000 to the fund created in the memory of her father, late Dr. Sikandar Madad, a founding member of the Anjuman. The said fund now stands at 8,000. We are thankful for Dr. Shireen Madad for her generous donation and request the readers to offer a sura e fateha for the soul of Dr. Sikandar Madad.

SAYYIDA FATIMA – UNIQUE STATUS

Bashir A. Dato, Ph.D.

Sayyida Fatima (a)'s uniqueness derives from two very special positions that she held in Islamic history. The first is that she was Prophet Muhammad (s)'s partner in living Islam. Allah (swt) lays down the code of conduct for believers but He cannot act on it because it will compromise His Oneness (*Tawhid*). Nor can He ignore that responsibility because it will undermine His Justice (*Adl*). He resolved this paradox by the appointment of the *Ahl-ul-Bayt* (as). The Prophet not only conveyed Allah's message but also lived it in multiple roles. He was a son, but not a daughter. He played the part of a husband, but not of a wife. He acted in the role of a father, but not a mother. He showed how to associate with companions, but not how to establish a relationship with a live-in maid. Sayyida Fatima would complement every one of the Prophet's roles. Between the two, they would present a perfect model for humanity.

The Prophet himself provided graphic testimony of Sayyida Fatima's role in this partnership: "Fatima is part (*bid'atun*) of my being." He was not speaking of their biological relationship. The word *bid'atun*, innermost part or core, refers to the essence of his existence, his *risalah* (message). Just as the human body would not function without the brain, so too, the Prophet's mission would not be complete without Sayyida Fatima.

The second position that Sayyida Fatima filled was the link between Nubuwwah and Imamah. Toward the end of his apostolic mission, Prophet Muhammad was instructed to install Imam Ali (a) as his successor at Ghadir Khum. The institution of prophethood was soon to come to an end and, in its place, the institution of imamah was about to begin. The linchpin in this transition was Sayyida Fatima. There was a visible demonstration of this connection between the two institutions of leadership by the arrangement of the party at Mubahala. Prophet Muhammad was in the lead. He held the hand of Hasan (a) and carried Husain (a) in his arms. Imam Ali (a) was at the back. In-between the last of the Prophets and the first of the Imams was Sayyida Fatima to underscore her position at the nexus of the two institutions.

Allah attests to the linkage provided by Sayyida Fatima in *Hadith-ul-Kisa*. When Prophet Muhammad and his immediate descendants were under the cloak, Jibraeel inquired about their identities. The most natural way for Allah would have been to identify the Prophet and relate everyone else to him. Instead, He chose to make Sayyida Fatima the referent for the definition of all lineal relationships: "(This is) Fatima, her father, her husband and her sons."

CELEBRATING 30 AWSOM YEARS

30 Years of AWSOM Event - Anjuman-e-Wazifa-e-Sadaat-o-Momineen. Event Date & Time: Feb 28, 2021 from 2:00pm EST to 3:30pm EST. Join us as we celebrate 30 years of Anjuman Wazifa Sadat O Momineen in the US. Our Interest Free Loans have supported many students pursue higher education and propel our community to new heights. An event you won't want to miss. Maulana Rizwan Rizvi (USA) and Maulana Ali Raza Rizvi (UK) will be in attendance along with the Anjuman team. Register Today:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/awsom-event-anjuman-e-wazifa-e-sadaat-o-momineen-tickets-135153851809>

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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 Saiyed 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 _____

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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