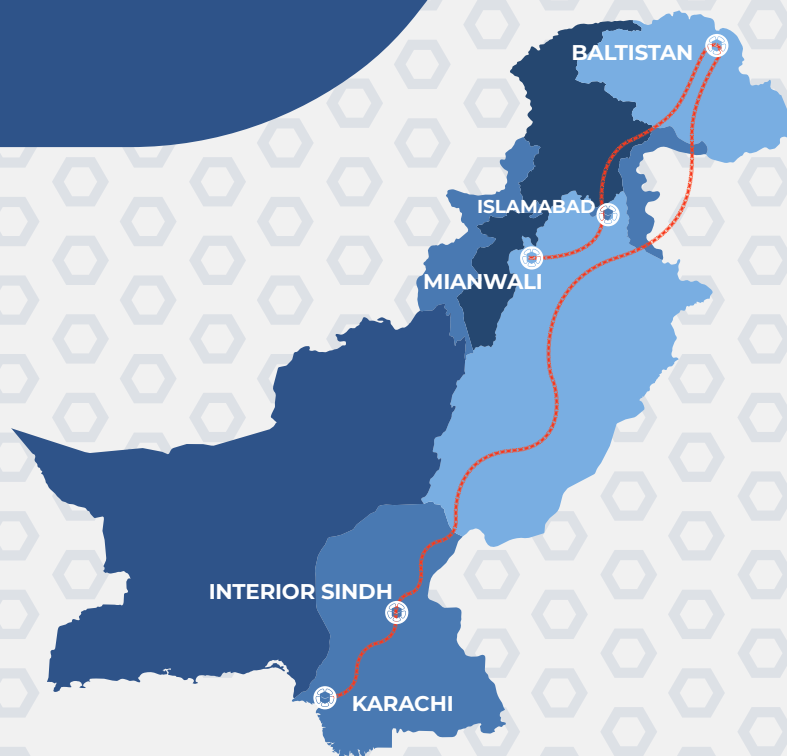




THE WF DELEGATION IN PAKISTAN AUGUST 2022



KARACHI

Meeting with Pakistan Federation Managing Committee



Left to right

- Alhaj Mohd Ali Jafri** – Pakistan Federation Vice President
Shaykh Nadir Jaffer – Head of The WF External Tableegh
Alhaj Hasan Akber – Pakistan Federation Assistant Secretary
Alhaj Abul Hasan Gokal – Pakistan Federation President
Alhaj Safder Jaffer – The WF President
Alhaj Arifali Hirji – The WF Secretary General
Dr Munir Datoo – The WF Vice President
Alhaj Muhammad Mustafa Hemani – The WF Lead Pakistan Office

The members of Pakistan Federation's Managing Committee extended a cordial welcome to The WF Delegates during their visit on Sunday, 21st August 2022. They discussed projects that the Jamaats in Karachi, Hyderabad, and Badin had undertaken.

They were also shown several projects related to relief, education, health, welfare, and housing, as well as reporting progress on projects supported by The World Federation. Additionally, The WF delegation looked into potential collaborations with Pakistan Federation, and in particular on educational and housing needs of our community.



KARACHI

Meeting with Khoja (Pirhai) Shia Isna Asheri Jamaat (KPSIAJ)



The Pirhai Jamaat Executive Committee talked about their opportunities as well as challenges in their areas of welfare, healthcare and education. They shared their vision on affordable housing which is a key part of economic upliftment. The WF OBs welcomed their vision on housing to be presented, via Pakistan Federation, at the ExCo in Australia.



WF President

Alhaj Safder Jaffer presenting an Appreciation Award to Khoja (Pirhai) Shia Isna Asheri Jamaat, Karachi

KARACHI

Meeting with Hussaini Foundation (Head Office)

WF President

Alhaj Safder Jaffer
presenting the Noor
Award to **Alhaj Hassan
Abdulussein (Abullo)**
- Chief Coordinator
Hussaini Foundation



The World Federation Delegates met with the Hussaini Foundation Head Office in Karachi. To initiate, Alhaj Safder Jaffer - The WF President, presented the **Noor Award** to Alhaj Hassan Abdulussein (Abullo), for his selfless and dedicated service to humanity.

The discussion proceeded with a fruitful exchange of ideas to improve the partnership between The WF and Hussaini Foundation, with the External Tableegh projects as the major focus. Other points discussed included the need for improvement in reporting, and ideas were exchanged in regards to training, assessments, and capacity building of current instructors and mubalighs, with the goal of making Tableegh sustainable.

KARACHI

Meeting with Mehfil e Murtaza Managing Committee

Left to right

Alhaj Imran Rashid
Managing Committee member
Alhaj Mohammad Ali Merchant
Managing Committee member
Alhaj Shahid Badami
Honorable Secretary
Alhaj Mohammad Rajpar
Managing Committee member
Alhaj Hassan Abdulussein (Abullo)
Vice President
Alhaj Safder Jaffer – The WF President
Dr Munir Datoo – The WF Vice President
Alhaj Arifali Hirji – The WF Secretary
General
Alhaj Muhammad Mustafa Hemani
The WF Lead Pakistan Office



The WF Office Bearers and Delegation visited the Managing Committee of Mehfil e Murtaza. The committee briefed them on the activities and projects managed by Mehfil e Murtaza.

KARACHI

Visit to Haydari Benevolent Trust (HBT)



Left to right

Alhaj Muhammad Mustafa Hemani – The WF Lead Pakistan Office

Alhaj Arifali Hirji – The WF Secretary General

Alhaj Mahmood Dhala – The WF Councillor

Dr Munir Datoo – The WF Vice President

Alhaj Safder Jaffer – The WF President

Alhaj Ghulam Abbas Badami – Trustee of HBT

Alhaj Mohsin Gheewala – The WF Councillor

The team then went on to visit Haydari Benevolent Trust (HBT). Alhaj Ghulam Abbas Badami, Trustee of HBT, and his team, shared their current projects where the main focus is widow support and microfinance programmes for Khoja beneficiaries that is also supported by The World Federation. The Higher Education loan programme is also progressing well and the HBT team assured to provide complete assistance to every Khoja beneficiary aspiring to aim for higher education. A fruitful discussion on the housing needs (for khoja deserving families) was also held.

KARACHI

Meeting with Shi'a Education Organisations



On Sunday, 21st August 2022, a unique meeting was held with the key primary and secondary educationalists of the community. The leading seven Shi'a Education schools in Karachi participated and presented. Their objectives, visions, strategies and challenges were shared in this enriching forum. A suggestion was made to establish a forum for key leadership to share ideas and work together in order to improve education and student development. This meeting was key to assess and strategise, as one of The WF's goals is to cater for education needs within the Khoja community as well as for Shi'as at large.

The final address was delivered by Alhaj Safder Jaffer, who commended the community's efforts and emphasised the value of tarbiyah-focused, high-quality education.

KARACHI

Meeting with Khoja Ulema



A Khoja Ulema meeting was held with The WF Office Bearers and delegates on Sunday, 21st August 2022.

The Ulema each gave a brief overview of themselves and their current endeavours. The community's needs were also discussed, as well as the importance of moving forward in unity and in a cohesive manner in addressing the spiritual and educational needs of our communities in Pakistan.

KARACHI

Meeting to discuss Higher Education Strategy including the Hiridjee Foundation Loan Scheme



The WF Delegates convened a meeting on 22nd August 2022, to discuss the Higher Education needs of the community in Karachi.

The discussions also focused on the recent launch of the Hiridjee Higher Education Loan Scheme's progress, challenges, and potential growth areas. The exchange rate and its impact on loan repayment were one of the primary issues that were raised.

Members of the Khoja (Pirhai) Shia Isna Asheri Jamaat (KPSIAJ) committee who were present promised to develop a long-term sustainable strategy to address this issue. 20 Khoja students have benefited from the Hiridjee loan programme so far, and a few more applications are currently being processed.

KARACHI

Meeting with Head of External Tableegh and KPSIAJ Committee members

In a separate meeting with the members of the KPSIAJ Managing Committee on Monday, 22nd August 2022, Shaykh Nadir Jaffer - Head of The WF External Tableegh, was briefed with an update on various programmes and activities that had taken place over the year. The WF's stipend and assistance programmes for Khoja students in Hawza were also highlighted.

Visit to the Fatimiyah Education Network

The WF Delegation visited the Fatimiyah Schools on August 22, 2022 and assessed first hand some of the support it provides to the school. The tour began with the Year 11 and 12 (Intermediate Level) classes before moving on to the primary and secondary school for boys, Fatimiyah Boys School. The delegation also went to the Fatimiyah Girls and Montessori Schools. The Qur'anic lesson curriculum and its teaching was also shared and appreciated.

"It was extremely inspirational and serves as a global example for how schooling and lessons from the Holy Qur'an, through interactive learning and stories, can be incorporated into the school curriculum. To observe first hand how Godly and moral stories from the Qur'an are taught to our children during their formative years was extremely powerful. I am certain these lessons will be very useful during their entire lives", said Arifali Hirji, The WF Secretary General.



They continued on to the Fatimiyah Sports Centre, where the team got the chance to see the varied sporting amenities available to both Karachi's Khoja population and school children.



The community may make use of the many packages offered. It was pleasing to note the indoor sports hall, gym, and pool facilities for the benefit of the community. Great enthusiasm of The WF delegates when seeing and hearing about community's engagement around the Fatimiyah (Khoja) park.

The robustness in infrastructure, eg that the the facilities can be accessed with digitalised membership cards, was impressive.

KARACHI

Visit to Fatimiyah Hospital



The WF Delegates thereafter visited Karachi's Fatimiyah Hospital on Monday, 22nd August 2022. The team was pleased with the facilities and services offered to the community and other citizens in the vicinity.



Br. Yawer Abbas Farishta from the Health Board at KPSIAJ provided details on the facilities, services, and impacts of a future expansion plan. The WF has committed towards the construction of one of the floors in the next extension of the hospital to the value of **USD \$300,000**. The WF also provides monthly support to the most deserving cases requiring medical assistance at the hospital.

BADIN



WF President

Alhaj Safder Jaffer with members of Badin Jamaats

The World Federation Office Bearers and Delegates travelled to Badin on Tuesday, 23rd August 2022. Despite the poor weather and deteriorating roads caused by torrential downpours, the team arrived in Badin after 4 hours. Whilst there, they witnessed the harshness of the weather and the impact the floods have had on the people of Badin.

When the team arrived, the delegates went to Badin Jamaat to visit the members, who gave a presentation and held talks about their activities, challenges, and future goals.



WF President

Alhaj Safder Jaffer – presenting an Appreciation Award to **Alhaj Mohammad Ali Jafri** – Vice Chairman Badin Jamaats



HYDERABAD



Due to the heavy rains and flooding, many roads in interior Sindh were closed. At one point the visit to Hyderabad was even cancelled.

However, through duas and willpower, Alhamdulillah The WF delegation visited Hyderabad jamaat and were welcomed warmly by the president Alhaj Shabbir Ali bhai Jamal and his team.

A short and productive meeting was kept on recent WF-AID projects and continuous compliance and reporting requirements.



WF President

Alhaj Safder Jaffer presented an Appreciation Award to **Alhaj Shabbir Ali Jamal** – President KSIAJ Hyderabad

BALTISTAN

Visit to Madina Ahlebait, Skardu

The WF Delegates continued their journey in Pakistan on Thursday, 24th August 2022, towards Skardu located in Baltistan Province of Pakistan. They primarily visited the USWA Madina Ahlebait school for Boys and Girls, a welfare institution that caters for more than 600 children. A needs assessment was conducted, establishing a dire need for support, such as classroom furniture, course books, uniforms, etc. The WF currently sponsors 240 students at the school.



The delegation then visited the site of WF-AID's Flagship Ali Asghar Water Appeal Project for 2021. With the installation of a sizable water tank, a project that was completed in collaboration with Stanmore Jafferys, more than 140 homes in the residential complex are now regularly supplied with drinking-quality water. The team then met a few beneficiaries and observed the food packs and its distribution process where 100 families in the Madina Ahlebait residential complex are supported every month. These include orphans, widows, disabled people, and senior citizens who have no/or very limited means.



WF Delegates

comprising of **Alhaj Safder Jaffer** – The WF President

Dr Munir Datoo – The WF Vice President

Alhaj Arifali Hirji – The WF Secretary General

Shaykh Nadir Jaffer – Head of The WF External Tableegh

Alhaj Mahmood Dhala – The WF Councillor

Alhaj Muhammad Mustafa Hemani – Lead Pakistan Office along with the community members at Madina Ahlebaith at the site of the WF-AID Ali Asghar Water Appeal water tank in collaboration with Stanmore Jaffereys

BALTISTAN

Visit to Pakistan Polytechnical Institute, Skardu

The WF Delegates continued their journey in Skardu by visiting the Pakistan Polytechnical College for Boys, which trains youths in technical fields so they can enter the skills workforce. Auto mechanic, electrical, mechanical, and civil courses are available. With the help of WF-AID, approval for a Pharmacy Technician course was sought from the government authorities. This two year diploma course will enable them to work as certified pharmacy technicians and can even run their own medical store. Sponsorship of deserving students was also discussed.



BALTISTAN

Visit to Hufaz ul Quran Model School for Boys



Students of Hufaz ul Quran Model School welcome **Alhaj Safder Jaffer** - The WF President and **Shaykh Anwar Najafi**



Shaykh Nadir Jaffer- Head of The WF Extrenal Tableegh Addressing the students at the Hufaz ul Quran Model School

The WF Team then visited the Hufaz ul Quran Model School, a secondary school for boys where students are enrolled to complete their Qur'anic hifdh in addition to continuing their academic studies. The team saw the project progress and were delighted. Challenges and needs were explored particularly with regards to enhancing the facilities for boys' school education and hostel facilities.

Shaykh Nadir Jaffer and Alhaj Arifali Hirji, The WF Secretary General tested some of the students' memorisation skills. Their knowledge and enthusiasm was truly inspirational.

BALTISTAN

Visit to Bintul Huda Girls School

Thereafter the team continued their tour of Skardu by visiting the Bintul Huda Girls School, where girls from the secondary school are admitted to complete their education and hifdh of the Qur'an whilst residing in the hostel. The girls' progress and confidence was commendable.





BALTISTAN

Visit to Sughra Homes



Left to right

Alhaj Mahmood Dhala – The WF Councillor

Alhaj Arifali Hirji – The WF Secretary General

Alhaj Safder Jaffer – The WF President

Shaykh Anwar Najafi

Dr Munir Datoo – The WF Vice President

Alhaj Muhammad Mustafa Hemani – The WF Lead Pakistan Office

The newly constructed residential and vocational centre for deaf and dumb girls was the next stop. The construction has been supported by the Hassam family for the Isale Thawab of their Marhumeen. The facility was officially inaugurated by The WF President - Alhaj Safder Jaffer. The special girls' artwork and crafts were well-liked and valued.

BALTISTAN

Meeting at Jamiat ul Zahra



The WF Team then held a meeting at the Jamiat ul Zahra, led by Allama Mohdhussein Jafferi Sahab. The institution has nearly 200 Ulema with credentials from esteemed Hawza in Najaf and other notable places. During the visit, a remarkable number of Ulema from Gilgit, Baltistan, were also present.

BALTISTAN

Visit to USWA Girls Focus School

The WF Delegates visited USWA Girls Focus School, one of the leading schools for girls in Baltistan, which provides a high standard of education together with a strong sense of discipline. The team arrived during the morning assembly, and were impressed with the structure, discipline and students at the school. The team was also given a tour of the newly established boarding school for girls within the campus.



BALTISTAN

USWA Valley Schools - Shigar



The WF Team visited the USWA Valley Schools in Baltistan, where The World Federation sponsors a number of students through the ZCSS program. The first valley school was in Shigar, which is located 50 minutes from Skardu's main city. The teachers and students extended a warm welcome to the team. A needs assessment was initiated, which addressed requirements for expansion of the school building as well as additional classrooms.

They also visited the newly constructed washroom block, which was built under WF-AID's Flagship, Ali Asghar Water Appeal in collaboration with Stanmore Jafferys.



Alhaj Arifali Hirji – The WF Secretary General
Alhaj Mahmood Dhala – The WF Councillor and
Dr Munir Datoo – The WF Vice President, at the recently constructed washroom in USWA Shigar Valley School

BALTISTAN

Visit to USWA Valley School - Nar



After an exciting and pleasant journey which included crossing the hanging bridge, The WF Delegates arrived at the USWA Valley School Nar to a warm welcome by the toddlers of the school. The team enjoyed their time with the children and witnessed their amazing science exhibition.

The principal briefed the team on their requirements for a school expansion for the next academic year.

BALTISTAN

Visit to USWA Valley School - Churka

The WF team further travelled ahead of Shigar and visited USWA Valley School Churka, where the kids and staff were very welcoming. The team enjoyed being with toddlers in the classroom. The principal shared some challenges of the newly established school and discussed the need for additional classrooms and a school boundary wall.

BALTISTAN

USWA Valley School - Manthoka



The WF Delegates next arrived at the USWA School Manthoka, which was inaugurated by Marhum Mulla Asghar in 1998. The principal and the teachers held a briefing during which they expressed the progress and requirements of the school.

Meeting with USWA Baltistan Region Education Leadership Team

To conclude their trip in Baltistan on 24th August 2022, The WF Delegates met with the USWA Baltistan Region's Education Leadership Team. There was a presentation on the schools' journey, which included the difficulties they encountered. They appreciated The WF team for their interest and concerns and for supporting the USWA school system in the Baltistan region. A discussion was held on the enhancement of the education system of the schools in the valley with a commitment from ground partners to continue this great work.

ISLAMABAD

USWA College for Boys

The WF Delegates travelled to Islamabad on Friday, 26th August 2022, to continue their visits and carry out further needs assessments. The USWA College was their first site of visit in Islamabad. The institution was established in 2003 and with 362 students, and offers boarding accommodations for students from Gilgit, Baltistan, Parchinar, and other nearby regions. Despite coming from poor situations, these students perform well in academics. They lack the resources to pursue college education in the places where they reside.



The WF representatives visited the principal, vice principal, and a few teachers to learn more about the school's operations, activities, difficulties, and shortcomings. The WF will explore opportunities for collaboration and student funding.



The delegation participated in the annual "Husayn Day" programme at the boys school. Alhaj Safder Jaffer - The WF President, and Shaykh Nadir Jaffer - Head of The WF External Tableegh, addressed the audience. Alhaj Arifali Hirji - The WF Secretary General, was requested to deliver a youth oriented talk geared on "A Successful Husayni - inspired by Hadhrat Abbas (a)".

ISLAMABAD

USWA Boys and Girls' School Dhudial - Chakwal

The delegation next drove for two hours to Dhudial, Chakwal District in Punjab, to visit the USWA Boys and Girls Schools. Students at all of these institutions receive support through the Zainabiya Child Sponsorship Scheme (ZCSS) programme, and they consistently achieve excellent results.

One of the first projects under ZCSS in Pakistan was the support given to the USWA Boys College, where 12 boys are currently funded. The difficulties managing the boys hostel were discussed, and a proposal was made to expand the student scholarship programme.



Left to right

Alhaj Arifali Hirji – The WF Secretary General

Alhaj Safder Jaffer – The WF President

Dr Munir Datoo – The WF Vice President

Shaykh Nadir Jaffer – Head of The WF External Tableegh

Alhaj Muhammad Mustafa Hemani – The WF Lead Pakistan Office

Alhaj Mahmood Dhala – The WF Councillor

The girls' school has progressed well with an increase in student numbers since The WF supported the school in the last academic year. The WF also arranged for training for their staff and leadership team.



ISLAMABAD

AAWA deep water well/tank site, Dhudial



Alhaj Safder Jaffer - The WF President and **Dr Munir Datoo** - The WF Vice President inaugurate the deep well with water tank in Dhudial alongside **Alhaj Mahmood Dhala** - The WF Councillor

The WF Delegates had the honour of inaugurating WF-AID's Flagship Ali Asghar Water Appeals Deep Water Well and Tank project when they were in Dhudial, in the Chakwal Province. This project brings relief and smiles to the lives of the underprivileged people of Chakwal district as they were facing acute shortage of water and the quality was also previously unacceptable.

ISLAMABAD

Discussion with Ayatollah Shaykh Mohsin Najafi at Al Kauthar Islamabad

Ayatollah Shaykh Mohsin thanked the delegation for visiting their projects in Baltistan, Punjab, and Islamabad, appreciating The WF's continued efforts and assistance.





The team at Al Kauthar Islamic institute arranged a wonderful gathering in their auditorium to welcome The WF delegates. The Al Kauthar Institute, or Jamiatu Al Kauthar, is a modern Islamic Institute in the centre of Islamabad and their research set-up and output is impressive. Details of their tableegh projects, research work and the additional value contributed by the ex-students of Al Kauthar, was briefed to the delegation. The scholarly gathering concluded with a speech by Alhaj Safder Jaffer followed by dinner. Ayatollah Shaykh Mohsin presented the Tafseer & Qur'an to The WF delegates.

ISLAMABAD

Visit to Al Kauthar Institute (Hawza), mosque & library



Meeting with senior scholars of Al Kauthar Institute with Shaykh Nadir Jaffer - Head of The WF External Tableegh, was very productive. The discussion included future collaboration for Islamic Education and tableegh activities.

Shaykh Nadir and the team appreciated the efforts of Ayatollah Shaykh Mohsin and his team for their untiring efforts and extending cooperation with The WF.

ISLAMABAD

Visit to Hussaini Foundation Zonal Office Islamabad

On 26th August 2022, the The WF Team visited the Hussaini Foundation's Zonal Office. The Regional Director of Hussaini Foundation provided the group with an update on the initiatives and activities taking place in Punjab, KPK region. A needs assessment on the recent flood relief and ways to address it was discussed. The WF committed to support the zonal office of the Hussaini Foundation in its tableegh and relief efforts.

MIANWALLI

INDUS Model School



The WF Delegates visited the boys' and girls' Indus Model school on Saturday, 27th August 2022. The WF has provided funding for two classrooms in the girls' higher secondary education section. They next visited the recently completed the WF-AID's Flagship Ali Asghar Water Appeal's Water Tank Project at the Indus Model School.



The team also visited the WF-AID's Ali Asghar Water Appeal Clean Drinking Water Project in 2021 at the Indus Model School, which provides clean drinking water to both the school's learners and the surrounding community.



Alhaj Arifali Hirji - The WF Secretary General, **Dr Munir Datoo** - The WF Vice President and **Alhaj Mahmood Dhala** - The WF Councillor at the construction site of WF-AID's Ali Asghar Water Appeal Project

MIANWALLI

Visit to Al Fajr University



The WF Delegates next visited Al Fajr University in Mianwali, where The WF has funded a mosque and library books for this newly established university. A quick inspection of the library showed that it was well-kitted with books of multiple subjects. At one of the classes, The WF Secretary General Arifali Hirji had the honour of teaching part of a physics class. The subject of further assistance and scholarships for deserving students was discussed.

MIANWALLI

Visit to the Aienullah Eye Clinic and Al Mahdi Hospital



The WF Delegates at the Eye and Medical

The WF Team visited the Eye Clinic facilities where WF-AID regularly sponsors free eye check-ups and surgeries for community members living in various underprivileged areas

MIANWALLI

Micro Finance Project



The WF Delegates had the chance to visit a few of the Micro Finance Project's beneficiaries.

Along with other initiatives, The WF funded seven loader rickshaws, in collaboration with Mohsin and Fauzia Jaffer Foundation, that has allowed the underprivileged to work for themselves. The team, in collaboration with local partners, discussed the potential for growing this project with additional funding from generous donors.



MIANWALLI

Visited Flood affected area near Mianwali



The WF Office Bearers and Delegates' journey to Pakistan coincided with the beginning of the flood emergency relief effort. They went to a flood-affected area close to Mianwali and carried out the initial needs assessment on the dire situation of the local communities living there.

ISLAMABAD

Visit to Safina Welfare Trust, Islamabad



On 28th August 2022, The WF Delegates visited Safina Children's Home in Islamabad. It is a home for 100 Orphans who are from different cities in Pakistan, coming from a very underprivileged background. The WF sponsors 40 orphans with funding for their lodging and schooling.

The WF Team visited the school and appreciated the boarding facilities. Reporting, child safeguarding and future needs was part of the needs assessment discussed.



The WF Delegates met with Agha Syed Asad Naqvi to discuss the recent flood relief efforts in the Baluchistan region and how the The WF can provide more support for the severely impacted populations at this difficult time.



The WF President addressed the orphans of the institute. Thereafter, the team and children were seen excited over casual discussions.



Alhaj Safder Jaffer - The WF President presenting an **Appreciation Award** to **Agha Syed Asad Naqvi** for services to orphans and humanity

ISLAMABAD

Visit to Pakistan International University



The WF Delegates visited Pakistan International University on 28th August 2022, along with ground partners, and met with Dr. Nisar Hamdani and the university's advisory team.



ISLAMABAD

Al Kauthar Islamic university (Hawza)



Left to right

Alhaj Safder Jaffer – The WF President
Ayatollah Shaykh Mohsin Ali Najafi
Shaykh Anwar Najafi

The WF Team went to Al Kauthar Islamic University, where more than 160 male students are pursuing both university degrees and hawza studies.



Shaykh Nadir Jaffer, Head of The WF External Tableegh, held several discussion with teachers and seniors and expressed his appreciation for their efforts.



Alhaj Safder Jaffer - The WF President presenting a **Special Award** to **Ayatollah Shaykh Mohsin Ali Najafi**



ISLAMABAD

Meetings with Relief Agencies

The World Federation Delegation took the initiative to have a coordination meeting amongst multiple active relief agencies in Islamabad - agencies that are active on the ground, providing relief to the recent victims of the flood relief, so that avoidance of duplication, and optimisation of resources, in various geographies is achieved.



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