Aishabai & Haji Abdul Latif

CHARITABLE TRUST

Empowering Through Education

INTRODUCTION :

Aishabai & Haji Abdul Latif Charitable Trust is a Registered under the Public Trust Act 1950. It has been working sincerely in the service of humanity for last 31 years.

The major focus of the Trust has been the promotion of education of the weaker sections of the society and also medical aid to the needy.

Their motto as an organization is "There is No Service Greater than Serving Humanity"

The Trust believes that a firm foundation in education goes a long way in helping each individual to lead a better life and fulfill their hopes and aspirations in their chosen career. It also enables them to overcome deprivation due to poverty while helping them to develop the capacity to create a promising future not only for themselves but also their community and nation as whole.

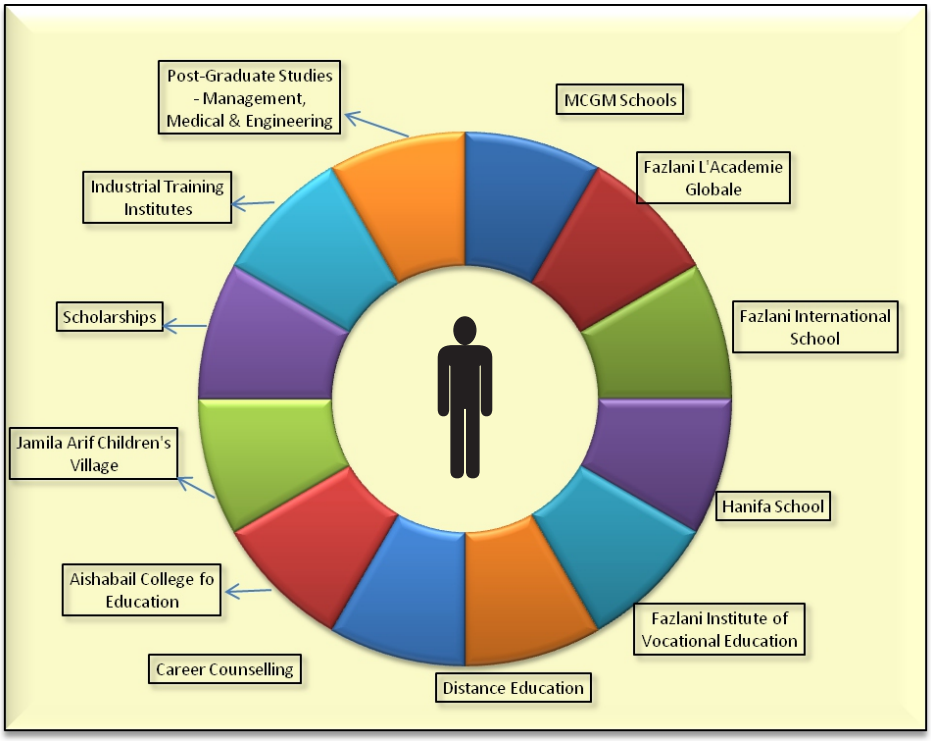
The Main Aims and Objectives of the Trust are:

- To raise and promote social, cultural, education and humanitarian standards and help in ameliorate the conditions of down trodden minorities and backward classes; to help the destitute, poor and the needy;
- To be an institution that is known as a provider of educational programs that addresses the needs of the community and enables them to financially empower themselves.
- To establish and run primary and secondary schools, Colleges of Arts, Commerce, Science, Management and Vocational Training Centres.
- To provide scholarship and educational assistance to the poor, needy and deserving students.
- To establish and run library, hostels, high schools, non-formal education classes, adult literacy and coaching classes and also support such classes and schools being run by others for the promotion of education.
- Be a Student Centric organisation – All programs and activities focusing solely on promoting quality of education, especially "girl-child";
- To be an agent of change between communities and various government agencies that address societal needs related to education
- To be a growing, efficient and effective organisation that meets and responds to the needs of the community;

PROGRAMS OF THE TRUST

Besides basic primary and higher education, the Trust also undertakes a range of activities to fulfill their aims and objectives, given in details in the following pages. (See chart 1.1)

AREAS OF INVOLVEMENT



PROGRAMS OF THE TRUST

	Beneficiaries	Teachers	Non Teaching
MCGM – School Adoption Program	24470	106	**31**
Aishabai College of Education	80	8	6
Fazlani Int. School–Affiliated to CBSE	207	15	1
Hanifa School-–Affiliated to CBSE	-	-	-
Fazlani Institute of Vocational Education	1270	12	3
Jamila Arif Children's Village	106	6	5
TOTAL	**28884**	**145**	**46**

a) MCGM School Support Program

The School Support Program has been one of the pet projects of the Trust and it derives a lot of satisfaction from its contribution to the MCGM in bringing about quality education to the students belonging to the under-privileged sections of the society.

The objective of this initiative was to arrest the drop-out rate and increase enrollment so that the socially and economically backward receive education that will help them seek better employment opportunities for a better future.

The Trust has adopted 118 sections in 13 MCGM Schools in Mumbai and Navi Mumbai covering English, Urdu, Hindi and Marathi mediums that support over 24,470 students. See Chart 1.2 & 1.3)

Number of Students – MCGM Schools covered under School Support Program						
2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010	2010-2011
15760	16344	16030	16039	16855	18894	24470

Table Showing the Number of Students covered under MCGMs School Support Program				
Medium of Instruction	Balwadi	Primary	Secondary	Total
English	269	748	211	1228
Hindi	-	1806	160	1966
Marathi	-	200	824	1024
Urdu	150	16892	3210	20252
Total	419	19646	4405	24470

The Trust has also provided 106 teachers to the MCGM to fill in vacant positions to ensure continuity of the student's education.

Table Showing the Number of Teachers provided to MCGM Schools under the School Support Program				
Medium of Instruction	Balwadi Section	Primary Section	Secondary Section	Total
English	7	4	6	17
Hindi	-	-	1	1
Marathi	-	-	6	6
Urdu	5	36	41	82
Total	12	40	54	106

Apart from providing good quality and motivated teachers, the Trust also ensures their personal and professional growth and development through interventions like Teacher Development Training and providing resources like library, computer labs, etc. The teachers also conduct extra remedial which has resulted in substantial improvement of academics within their level of involvement. School coordinators are also appointed by the Trust to undertake supervision and administrative work.

Aishabai & Haji Abdul Latif Charitable Trust has also tied up with Speakwell English Speaking courses for Students of MCGM schools appearing for their SSC examinations in March 2012. The trust aims to target atleast 300 MCGM School students in its first trial effort.

Aishabai & Haji Abdul Latif Charitable Trust's was appointed by Municipal Corporation of Greater Mumbai (MCGM) in the year 2011 to appoint 349 'Shikshan Swayam Sevaks' for the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan implementation in MCGM schools.

The Trust provides examination preparation material like “21 most likely questions”, etc. free of cost to all the SSC students of these schools. In addition, the Teachers conduct extra coaching for these students to enable them to prepare well. The Career Counsellors conduct extensive workshops on “Study Skills”.

b) Career guidance and counseling centre

With so many college and career choices, students are often confused and lack direction. Many students are also unaware of good career options in which they might be very good at. It is very important that students decide on a path that harnesses their true potential and achieve their career goal for a better future. A career counselor with their guidance can help students decide better and tap into their aptitude.

Understanding this growing need of students, Aishabai trust has established a Career Guidance and Counseling Cell at their operating office in South Mumbai and Mumbra (Dist. Thane)

The counselors regularly conduct career counseling, career seminars, and aptitude tests for students and also general counseling. Besides they also organize workshops on Personality Development, Life Skills and Character Building.

Career Guidance & Counselling Cell in the academic year 2011-12 has covered - 1088 MCGM School students in Career Orientation Workshops, 1031 students of MCGM schools attended the Study Skills Workshop, Aptitude Testing conducted for 632 students.

Counseling Activities	No. of Beneficiaries
Study Skill	1031
Career Awareness Workshop	1088
Aptitude tests & Counselled - MCGM Schools	275
Aptitude tests & Counselled - Non MCGM Schools	357
Total	2751

c) Employment Oriented Professional Vocational Training:

The Trust has established Fazlani Institute of Vocational Training (FIVE) at M.H Saboo Siddiq Musafirkhana, Imamwada Muncipal School, Meghraj Sethi Marg Muncipal School and Malad Township Muncipal School.

To empower our young generation by imparting skills, boys and girls in these centers are provided training in professional vocational courses. These courses help them to enhance their employment prospects greatly. At present, the courses are affiliated with Saboo Siddiq Polytechnic and SNDT University.

Courses that are conducted at the centre are as follows:

- Basic Computer MS office.
- For girls, Tailoring, Machine work, fancy work, crochet & Decorative work
- Fashion Designing
- Fabric Painting, Mehendi, Hand embroidery and Zari Work.
- For Boys, Gents Tailoring
- Electrician's Diploma, Motor Winding, Air-Conditioner & Refrigerator, Mobile Repairing, MS-CIT, Computer Hardware and Networking Skills.

Number of Persons Trained under various Vocational Training Programs from 2003 onwards			
	Males	Females	Total
Air-Conditioning & Refrigeration	323	-	323
Electrical Wireman	351	-	351
Motor Winding	198	-	198
Mobile Phone Repairing	60	-	60
For Women's Empowerment			
Tailoring	-	347	347
Hand Embroidery	-	138	138
Crochet / Hand Embroidery	-	82	82
Flower Making	-	147	147
Tailoring / Mehendi / Embroidery	-	271	271
Mehendi / Fabric Painting	-	98	98
Fabric Painting / Zari Work	-	209	209
Fashion Designing	-	60	60
Common to both genders			
Computer & Basic MS Office	-	40	40
MS-CIT	-	20	20
English Speaking	-	60	60
Total	932	1472	2404

Those enrolled include school students with poor academic performance, drop-outs as well as destitute women, widows and divorcees who can financially support themselves and their families by pursuing these professions.

Judging by the response to these programs and its outcome, the trust plans to expand these activities in other areas of Mumbai as well.

d) Distance Education for Higher Studies

The Trust has been granted approval by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University (YCMOU) for starting F.Y.B.Com (English), F.Y. B.A. (Urdu), and Preparatory Course (English).

As George Eliot said, "It is never too late to be what you might have been." This initiative greatly encourages Non-SSC Students, who due to some reason could not pursue their education to start their academic life afresh. Students have to enroll for a 4 month preparatory program; on being cleared they get direct admissions for F.Y.B.A/ or F.Y.B.Com. in the centre itself.

Currently 152 students have cleared the preparatory test and would take admissions for continuing the degree course and 38 students have already completed their first year in FYBA AND FYBcom. This tie up was introduced from last year and would surely pick up in the coming years.

In the recently concluded Preparatory batch, all the 70 students who appeared for the examinations were successful.

e) Education Scholarships

The Trust provides education aid to students belonging to the economically weaker section of the community. There are many students who are academically brilliant and have high career aspirations but they have to give up their dreams because of their financial inability.

The Trust in its own capacity tries to rekindle their hope by giving such students scholarships for pursuing higher education in allied fields of Engineering, Medicine, Information Technology and Management.

A scholarship is an opportunity for them to compete with some of the best students and fields. Regular follow ups done by the Trust have shown that students who had been awarded scholarships previously are currently doing excellent in their careers. These students have proved to the world that they have achieved what they truly deserved.

This academic year, 315 meritorious students were provided with these scholarships and they are putting in their best to emerge with flying colours. (See Chart 1.8)

Besides, Two girls from a boarding school were granted scholarships to study in Fazlani L'Academie Globale (FLAG) a prestigious school loacated at South Mumbai and affiliated to University of Cambridge & Internatonal Baccalaureate organization.

Number of Students provided Scholarship		
Sr. No.	Course	No. of Student
1.	Ph.D. Studies	1
2.	Medical Studies	19
3.	Para-Medical Studies	6
4.	Engineering Studies	35
5.	Management Studies	23
6.	Chartered Accountancy	1
7.	Polytechnic & ITI	33
8.	Teaching	57
9.	Graduation Studies	36
10.	Under-Graduation Studies	104
	Total	315

e) Jamila Arif Children's Village

Jamila Arif Children's Village (JACV) is a registered residential organization for infant boys and girls situated at Takwe, Tal. Maval, Dist. Pune. This village is a children's home with a difference – where love and care is provided in abundance.

The objective of this institution is to provide redemptive, healing service that brings meaningful change to the lives of children.

The inspiration for the JACV is drawn from the Swiss concept of S.O.S. villages where 10 children are under a loving and affectionate female caretaker, who takes care of their material and emotional needs and helps them to imbibe good moral and ethical character, values and inculcate good habits.

In JACV, the children are brought from a very young age and remain till the time they attain the age of 18. The Children for their education are enrolled in Fazlani International School.

f) Fazlani International School (FINS)

Fazlani International School is a co-educational English Medium school, located between Lonavla and Pune, affiliated to the CBSE Board. The school provides holistic education to the students from the nearby areas from Nursery to Std. 10. The school aims to achieve its goals by imparting enriching learning experiences through projects, sports and extra-curricular activities, and environmental awareness programs. About 200 students are currently enrolled in the school. Children from JACV also study in this school. Currently, about 90 children of JACV are also under its care.

g) Hanifa School (HS)

Hanifa School located in Borsad, Dist. Gujarat is a co-educational CBSE affiliated School,. It provides holistic education to students from the nearby areas from Nursery to Std. 10. It has plans to go upto class XII in the future.

Hanifa School was founded in the year 2005 with the vision and motto of "Fostering the spirit of joyful learning".

The vision of the school is to develop educated, responsible citizens who are excited about life-long learning and contribute positively to the society.

In pursuit of this vision, the school commits to:
Provide all students with quality educational programs;
Provide a safe and secure environment where students enjoy learning;
Address the aspirations and abilities of students;
Nurture innovative thinking and creativity;
Provide opportunities to demonstrate the rights and responsibilities of good citizenship

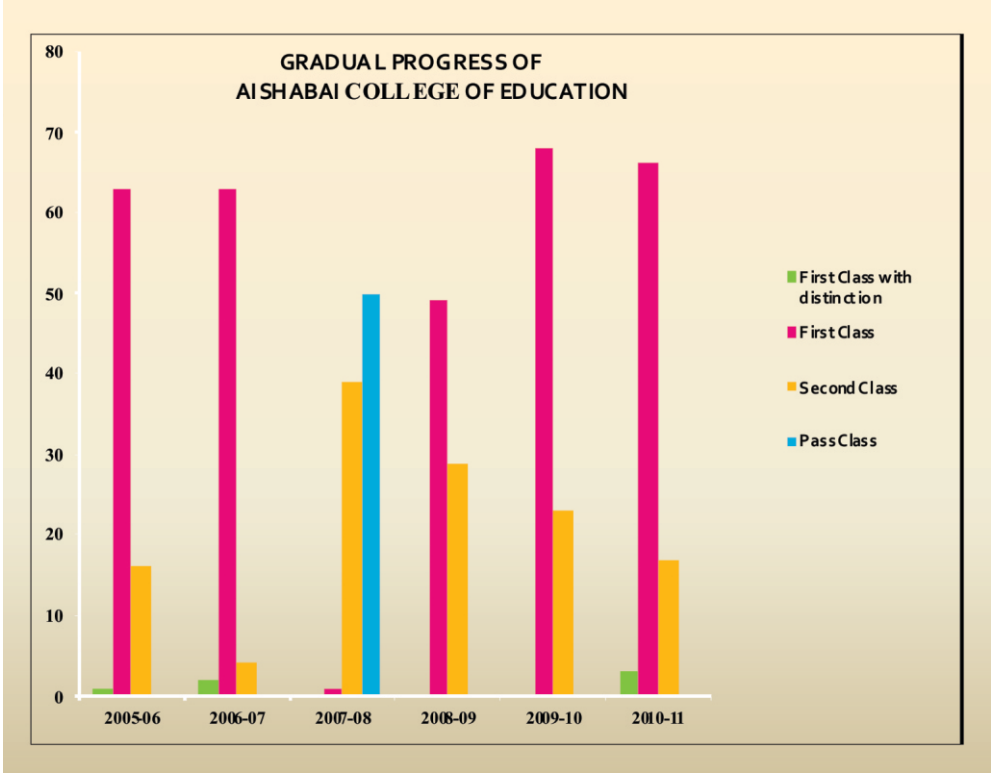
g) Aishabai College of Education

Aishabai College of Education (ACE) is Teacher Training exclusively for Women. The College is running in full bloom from August 2005 and is located in South Mumbai.

The trust truly believes in Teachers being the architect of the future generations. The mission of Aishabai College of Education is to prepare educators, professional school personnel, and other allied professionals to have a positive impact on the lives of all students, families, and communities with whom they come in contact.

ACE- The College of Education is committed to continual programme improvement by providing and maintaining high quality faculty, program content, and utilization of resources, thus creating the context for effectively facilitating the transformation of candidates to professional.

The last 5 years performance of the College is as under:



Sopariwala Exports, under whose CSR initiatives, these activities are carried out have entered into a Public Private Partnership with the Government of India for managing the two government run Industrial Training Institutes (ITI), viz. Agripada and Govandi. The Chairman of these two Institute Management Committees (IMC) is Dr. A. K. Fazlani, Chairman of this Trust.

Future Action Plan

1. Complete take over of MCGM schools in Mumbai
2. Starting of Paramedical courses with affiliation from Department of Vocational Training and Education (DVTE), Government of India
3. Seeking affiliation of AICTE to be Knowledge Skill Provider of the AICTE under the Public-Private Partnership program
4. Starting of Polytechnics
5. Starting of Hospital in semi-rural areas
6. Starting of Post-Graduate Colleges - Medical College, Management and Engineering under the Knowledge City Program. Prominent Universities from Overseas shall their Technical Partners.
7. Fazlani Altius Business School (FABS) will launch management programs designed by industry.

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