Brief History of Mir Behri Welfare Society MWS

As Mr. Hakim Ilyas and Tabassum Geelani might have made you aware about our activities and struggle for the upliftment of deprived and downtrodden area of Mir Behri Dal we would like to inform you about our brief history and achievements since the foundation of our society.

MWS was founded on 12-05-2009 with the aim of eradication of all social evils, discrimination and injustice prevailing in the locality of Mir Behri, Dal. Mir Behri is the most backward area in the heart of Srinagar city, the summer capital of the state of Jammu & Kashmir. The area is more backward than any far flung area of the state of Jammu & Kashmir in terms of education, socio-economic development, employment, communication, transportation, sanitation and the like. After having a firsthand experience and deep research, MWS observed that the mother of all these social problems is the educational backwardness of the people of the area, since all successive governments and privileged ones take undue advantage of illiteracy and ignorance of the innocent people of the said area. Therefore the people are too helpless to raise their genuine issues and give voice to their pains and agonies before concerned authorities.

As one of its objectives, MWS put up the eradication of educational backwardness of the area as the prime thrust area of its activities. Therefore, it was unanimously decided that the society will open a tuition centre for the students of the area where education and guidance will be provided on nominal fee to all students of the area or free of cost for the orphan and very poor students.

Then MWS opened a coaching institute by the name of Divine Coaching Institute (DCI) in 2010. This initiative bore many fruits; firstly the deprived students began to show significant interest and enthusiasm in their studies for the first time as before that in the area students by a hair's breadth used to study upto 10th class. Secondly it gave members of MWS firsthand experience to go through the problems, disinterests, and inefficiencies of students in their education.

Just before some years none of our students could dare to go for Medical and Non-Medical subjects even after getting distinctions in 10th class. But in 2016 we motivated our six bright students to go for the same and when they did with timely help of Ehsaas International Trust in coaching fee; it set the trend and right now we have more than 20 students in Medical and Non-medical stream. At this time we have many fruitful examples of our society, like two students are doing B. Pharmacy one in ERA University Lucknow and another in Punjab University, last year our one girl student got selected in prestigious Sher-e-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences Srinagar for B Sc. Nursing on full government scholarship.

In the current year our three students qualified NEET and one of them might get admission abroad whose admission process is under process. Near dozen of our students are doing Post Graduations and some of them have done.

Challenge of devastating floods of 2014

In September 2014 floods almost whole of the Mir Behri was left in shambles and debris. Schools were terribly damaged and the whole academic year of hundreds of students was at the stake. Mir Behri Welfare Society took initiative to erect an alternative structure for the coaching of the students with handful of sources. Govt. and other concerned agencies showed least concern towards Mir Behri and our repeated requests were not paid any heed.
But by the grace of Almighty Allah Ehsaas International Trust came with helping hand at the appropriate time and Mr. Hakim Ilyas played a pivotal role to support us in every possible manner be it financial, infrastructural, essential relief and more important emotional support in the aftermath of catastrophic floods of 2014. By the unswerving dedication of our team members and support of Ehsaa Trust we managed to erect the structure where hundreds of students were helped to complete syllabus and save their academic year.

**Social Activities**

During and after 2014 floods MWS facilitated massive relief and rescue operations in collaboration with local, national and international relief agencies and by highlighting the devastation and losses in print and electronic media.

Besides that our society is also working for the socio-economic development of the area. The only road that connects our area with rest of the Srinagar City was not viable even for the pedestrians before some years that was made transportable light motor vehicles like ambulances, school vans, LPG and other commodities carriers and before that a local person had to waste his prime time of day just to bring home 50 Kgs. of rice. It was our society that united local people having different ideologies, political and religious affiliations to fight for this cause. We have toiled very hard to bring our society out of the clutches of backwardness, ignorance, illiteracy and poverty. But due to extreme dearth of sources and infrastructure we are not able to deliver at our best and there is inevitable need of help and support
Aims and Objectives of Mir Behri Welfare Society

(a) To probe and evaluate the causes of educational and socio-economic backwardness of Mir Behri.
(b) To convene and organize all necessary programmes viz, workshops, seminars, meetings etc. to make the socio-economic and educationally backward lot of the people of Mir Behri understand and shoulder their responsibility towards education of their children and co-operate in raising their socio-economic graph.
(c) To conduct subject wise coaching classes for the students so as to encourage and prepare them to compete in different competitive examinations.
(d) To raise a fund to address the economic concerns of widows, orphans and economically backward lots.
(e) To encourage and guide the women particularly housewives to learn different skills viz tailoring, embroidery, sozangari, etc. in order to make it possible for them to contribute in raising their family income and making life better.
(f) To employ all modern techniques including use of computers to help the people particularly students in achieving the desired goal.

[Signature]
President
Mir Behri Welfare Society
Mir Behri Dal Srinagar, Kashmir
Proposal:

For Paropkar and Mercy Home Schemes including required basic infrastructure for the same

Submitted by:

Mir Behri Welfare Society (supported by Ehsaas International Trust)

- **Requirement of infrastructure and facilities like computer information center by way of Paropkar**

  Our locality where literacy rate is touching the highest statistical point is still away from gaining the technical knowledge. As we know modern era is the age of technology and information. Educational technology and information cannot be isolated. Moreover everything and every process of education have been made digital and online under the slogan of Digital India. Consequentially, there must be sources which can be utilized for providing technical help, information and technical education to our students. This could be achieved by providing computer center in our locality. Computer center will provide smart education system in our locality. This will solve number of issues like filling of examination forms, scholarship forms, and essential service forms and will cater also the need of dissemination of information among the people of different government skims be it sate or national. Furthermore it will also help us to be aware about social, political and legal rights. the This computer lab will not only for providing education but also it will solve the required technical issue like updating, filling and admission status for students of our locality.

For this facility we don’t need to construct a new structure for the same as there is already erected a concrete structure of which half of the portion has been utilized for the washrooms and rest portion needs erection of only three walls with windows and a door.

Material required for the computer centre:

1. 600 bricks
2. Three load carriers of sand
3. 15 cement bags
4. Two window frames and one door frame
5. One door, four chairs, one table, one locker

- **Requirement of health Centre by way of Mercy Home**

  As mentioned above in history of MWS our area is backward, there are many requirements which are mandatory for our society like health centre. Health centre is most important which will eradicate health related problems of near about 80 thousand people approximately of 36 Mohallas. There is only one government health center for this huge population and even without any proper medical and urgent facilities. We need proper infrastructure for this need. AS our area is not connected to the city due to the bad condition of the road, in winters the
situation gets worse. We are not able to shift our patients to the required hospital especially the pregnant ladies.
For this facility we lack infrastructure which can be erected by putting together with the existing structure of Mir Behri Welfare Society which is used for its educational, official and social activities. As this structure is located in the center of the Mir Behri that caters problems and issues of the each and every Mohalla and it is to some extent accessible to all the people of the area.
In this context there is need of erection of two non-concrete rooms of dimensions 12x14 feet and for which the designed and fully estimated proposal will be submitted after official approval from your esteemed foundation.

Sd/

President
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