



**Sindh Education Foundation**  
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*"Learn Today, Lead Tomorrow"*

## Edkasa discussed to promote digital learning in FAS Schools

On Friday, January 5, 2024, Abdul Jabbar Mari, Director of Program & Planning and HR, chaired a meeting at the SEF Head Office with Edkasa CEO Mr. Fahad Tanvir, Deputy Director Programs (North, Central, and North), and Program Heads.

Mr. Fahad Tanvir presented a proposal on blended learning and discussed the piloting of the intervention in Foundation Assisted Schools. The primary goal of this initiative is to enhance English, Mathematics, and Science learning in early grades. It was noted that Edkasa is already in partnership with SEF and has granted scholarships to students from grades IX to XII. The SEF team commended Edkasa's efforts in promoting digital learning for students.



## German Delegation Visited SEF Sukkur

A delegation comprising German educationists having different professional affiliations, including various educational institutes, development organizations in Germany and the United Nations who are currently on their visit to Pakistan visited SEF Regional Office Sukkur. On their arrival, a detailed presentation about SEF was given to delegation by Regional Head SEF Sukkur.

Following the informative session, the delegation embarked on a visit to a Foundation Assisted School. Witnessing the practical impact of SEF's initiatives further deepened their appreciation. They interacted with students, teachers, and administration, gaining firsthand experience of the positive transformations occurring within the educational sphere.







## PIMSAT and TANG discussed CCTE program at SEF

A follow up meeting was held with SEF, PIMSAT, and TANG at SEF Head Office. Meeting was chaired by Managing Director SEF Abdul Kabir Kazi, Director HR and P&P Abdul Jabbar Mari and management of Sindh Education Foundation, representatives from PIMSAT and TANG actively participated.

The meeting discussed current CCTE program enrolment for students and ways to increase it. It was suggested that SEF, PIMSAT, and TANG support students in CCTE programs, providing more job options for SEF students and alumni. As a part of this initiative, SEF students who completed Matriculation and are in Intermediate can join a 2-year CCTE program in Pakistan and a 1-year CCTE program in China through the TANG scholarship.



## SEF participated in 9<sup>th</sup> Hyderabad Literature Festival

In the 9th edition of the Hyderabad Literature Festival, Caretaker Minister Ahmed Ali Shah, DG Culture Munawar Mahesar, Managing Director Sindh Education Foundation Abdul Kabir Kazi, organizers of HLF, and other notable personalities participated in the opening ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Students of FAS School performed a theatre piece based on the folktale of Umar Marvi, capturing the audience's attention and earning their praise. MD Abdul Kabir Kazi announced a prize of 1 lac rupees for these talented kids.

Additionally, individuals from diverse backgrounds visited the stall. D.D-ACU, Nawab Zafar Ali, actively participated in a panel discussion on out-of-school children.





## British Asian Trust delegation visited SEF to discuss Sindh Education Impact Bond

Executive Director British Asian Trust visited SEF Head Office. Mr. Abdul Kabir Kazi, MD Sindh Education Foundation (SEF) welcomed Ms Abha Thorat-Shah Executive Director (Social Finance).

The participants of the meeting were Mr. Abdul Jabbar Mari, Director HR & Program and Planning, Mr. Mubashir Mirza, Deputy Director (PSDU), Mr. Wazir Ali Assistant Director (PSDU) and From British Asian Trust; Ms. Shameer Bashir, Senior Manager (Social Finance-Pakistan), Mr. Adil Sattar (Social Finance Associate).

The purpose of the meeting to discuss possible collaboration between Sindh Education Foundation and British Asian Trust for the Sindh Education Impact Bond. Ms. Abha Thorat-Shah was given detailed presentation about portfolio SEF, Government of Sindh and highlighted existing public private partnership in the education sector. The initiatives of Foundation in the sphere of education development in Sindh region were lauded by Ms. Abha Thorat Shah. In the closing ceremony souvenir was presented to Ms. Abha Thorat Shah by MD-SEF Mr. Kabir Kazi.



## Paper Crafting Activity at FAS School Karachi

On 24 January 2024, Ms. Tohfa Memon, a dedicated Teaching Support Associate at The High School Talent Academy in Karachi, organized an engaging activity. Grade 8 students (A, B) enthusiastically participated in crafting their own unique country flags, symbolizing the core values and foundations their nation is built upon. This initiative aimed to foster a sense of responsibility among the students, emphasizing their role in safeguarding the fundamental ideals that shape their country.





## STEM Learning Festival Sukkur

Sukkur STEM Learning Festival was inaugurated on 25th January 2024 at walking Track Ground near Globe chowk Sukkur. Three days science festival continued till 27th January 2024. The purpose of event was to Engage the students to explore the wonders of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

SEF Sukkur Region's Schools from District Sukkur, Khairpur and Ghotki participated with full enthusiasm. SEF Regional Head Sukkur along with District Head Sukkur & SEF Sukkur team facilitate the participated Schools.

On the occasion The Deputy Commissioner Sukkur & Director Schools Education Sukkur Secondary visited various stalls of SEF schools and appreciated student for outstanding demonstration.



## STEM Science Exhibition at IBA-Naushahro Feroz

On 25 January 2024, the 3rd STEAM Science exhibition was held at IBA community college Naushahro Feroz. The participants were IBA community colleges, Govt schools, Private schools and 14 SEF schools participated in the event. On the Occasion 2 FAS schools secured 2nd positions in Physics and in Chemistry projects namely, FAS Stars Public School Padidan and FAS Azad public school Bhirya road.



## The National STEAM Conference at Sukkur

The National STEAM conference was held on 27 January 2024, at IBA Public School Sukkur which was sponsored by Sindh Education Foundation (SEF). On the occasion, Science projects were displayed and Schools/students presented research papers via PPT.

SE&LD Schools, IBA Public Schools & CCs, Foundation Assisted Schools and private Schools participated in the event in big number.

25 Schools from Khairpur, Sukkur, Ghotki Districts displayed 60 working models and presented 04 research papers. SEF Schools won prizes in both categories.

SEF School's stalls remained center of attention throughout the day; creativity of SEF students and presentation skills were highly appreciated by visitors. Director Programs and Planning and HR Mr. Abdul Jabbar Marri visited the exhibition interacted with students and teachers and appreciated their work.

The closing awards distribution ceremony was attended by Minister for Education & Literacy Ms. Rana Hussain, Director Programs and Planning SEF Mr. Abdul Jabbar Marri, Mr. Pir Muhammad Shah (DIGP) SE&LD Regional Directors, Principal IBA PS Sukkur, Regional Head SEF Sukkur, SEF District Heads Sukkur, Khairpur and Ghotki along with their teams.







## FAS Students won STEAM Conference Best Research Paper Award



STEAM conference-Best Research Paper Award: Foundation Assisted School in Taluka Dharki, District Ghotki, Mr. Arshad and Mr. Mazhar, have secured the 1st Position for the Best Research Paper Award at the National STEAM Conference held at IBA Public School Sukkur. Their achievement is attributed to their research paper titled "A Comprehensive Approach to STEM Awareness and Education." Both students received awards from the Honorable Ms. Rana Hussain, Minister of Education, at IBA Public School Sukkur.

## Science Exhibition and Speech Competition organized by FAS Naokot, Sanghar

The Foundation Assisted SDF Education System High School in Village Naokot, Sanghar, recently organized a Science Exhibition and Speech Competition. Students from Foundation Assisted SDF Education System High School village Naokot, Govt Boys High School village Ch. Barkat Ali Bajwa and FAS Faisal Public School Village Abdul Kareem Shar participated in the event.

Students presented a variety of science models and participated in speech competition and tableaux. The management of Foundation Assisted SDF Education System High School awarded prizes to the best teachers and students.

The social activist and other notable persons also participated in the event and appreciated the SEF's efforts to provide free and quality education to marginalized and poor students in the most backward areas.



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