



## Consultative Meeting for the Award of Scholarships for 2017-18



A meeting of Boards of Intermediate and Secondary Education (BISEs) of Punjab held on August 3, 2017 at PCOM Officers Mess Lahore. The objective of consultative meeting was orientation on scholarship allocation for 2017-18 and data requirements for PEEF scholarships. Dr. Amjad Saqib Vice Chairman PEEF presided over the meeting. Dr. Amjad Saqib praised the participants' cooperation with PEEF which enabled transparent awards of scholarship possible. The meeting ended with a note that all BISEs will share data as per requirement with PEEF within a week.

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## DFID Delegation Visits PEEF

**D**elegation of Department for International Development (DFID) visited PEEF Office on August 17, 2017. During their visit, performances of PEEF-DFID Scholarships program was reviewed. DFID team agreed to continue to support under the UK-Aid educational programs. 500 more scholarships for female students of Intermediate level will be disbursed in 11 less developed districts of Punjab, during current year, these scholarships are in addition to 33,436 scholarships which have already been disbursed under collaboration of PEEF-DFID scholarships program since 2013.



## Consultative Meeting for Award of Master's Level Scholarships

**A** consultative meeting for Award of Master's Level scholarships was held at PEEF office on 16th & 17th August, 2017 respectively. Forty Partner Universities were divided into two days; so that their officials can easily assure their participation in meeting. Managers of PEEF scholarship department chaired different sessions. Participants shared problems which they faced regarding nominations of students for PEEF Master's Level scholarships in previous year. This meeting ended with a note that partner universities will share data according to timeline with PEEF.





## International Book Fair at Expo Centre, Lahore



International Book Fair 2017 was held from 3rd August to 7th August at Expo Centre, Lahore. The event was organized for promotion of book reading habits amongst the society. Such literary habits will lead to growth and national image building. PEEF also showcased its awareness stall and grasped the opportunity to aware the students and general public about the purpose and achievements of PEEF. Book Fair provided the opportunity to highlight the education friendly efforts of Punjab Government in developing human capital through education.

## Entrepreneurial Skills Development Workshops at YDC, Murree

Punjab Educational Endowment Fund (PEEF) organized four Entrepreneurial Skills Development Workshops (ESDW) at Youth Development Center (YDC), Murree from 5th to 27th August 2017.

The core objective of these development workshops was to impart knowledge among youth, belonging to different areas of Pakistan. Trainees enhanced their entrepreneurial skills in such ways so that it becomes beneficial for their practical life.



### Participants' Comments:

- Excellent environment at YDC which will be helpful in our character building.
- These workshops will surely be helpful in our practical life .
- Salute to Punjab Government for an education friendly initiative in the form of YDC.

(Talha Khalid, Nankana Sahib)

(Mehr-Un-Nisa, Rawalpindi)

(Abdul Ghaffar, Sargodha)



# Success Story

I am Awais Masood living in Lahore. I belong to a middle class family. My parents wished that I may attain higher education, which makes me successful in society. As I was good in studies, so I fixed my focus according to my ultimate desire to study in renowned institution. The life seems to be smoothly going but fate diverted my family's life towards misfortune. My father took the last train to Heaven, in a sudden cardiac arrest. It was a great shock for my family.

Being an elder among my siblings, burden of my family shifted on my shoulders. Though we lacked financial resources, yet it was necessary to continue my studies for our better future. I gave home tuitions along with some other small jobs and became the earning hand of my family. I scored good grades in my Intermediate examination; this paved my way to appear in Engineering College Admission Test (ECAT). Eventually, the dream of my parents came

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true and I succeeded in getting admission in University of Engineering and Technology (UET), Lahore. Though it was a great achievement, but I was still worried how I will bear further expense of my studies.

One day, I was sitting in a University library; there I saw an advertisement that PEEF offered Special Quota scholarships for orphans. This seemed as opportunity that knocked the door of my fate. I wasted no time to gather information. Luckily, I fulfilled the criteria so applied there and then. My family and I took a great sigh of relief, felt joyous and thanked to Almighty ALLAH as I was short listed for PEEF Special Quota scholarship.

This scholarship not only paved way to continue my engineering rather it flashed a spark of courage in me so as to study with zest and zeal. Now, I am working as a Food Quality Controller in a leading food chain of Pakistan. It is my utmost wish that I follow the footsteps of PEEF to help talented students of deprived classes; so that no students quit studies because of poverty.

After the blessings of ALLAH, the place which I attain in society is just because of PEEF. The nation must be proud of Punjab Government especially Shahbaz Sharif for his outstanding efforts for education.



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