## SOS Children's Village Multan

In the Month of January:	2024
Total Strength of Children (Village):	195
Total Strength of Children (Children's Home):	42

# Visit by Brigadier Ahmad Rizwan Ghumman, Project Director of DHA Multan:

Brigadier Ahmad Rizwan Ghumman, the esteemed Project Director of DHA Multan, paid a visit to the premises of SOS Children's Village Multan. Accompanied by a sense of anticipation, he embarked on a thorough tour of our facilities, guided by Mrs. Mahnaz Fareed Sheikh, Executive Vice President of SOS Children's Villages Pakistan.

With notable enthusiasm, Brigadier Ghumman deeply engaged with our mission and vision, immersing himself in the poignant narratives of our projects via an enlightening documentary presentation. He demonstrated his support by generously providing bags for the children, symbolizing a gesture of care and solidarity.

Furthermore, Brigadier Ghumman's benevolence extended beyond material assistance as he made a substantial donation toward our noble cause, underscoring his steadfast dedication to effecting tangible change in the lives of vulnerable children. His commitment to ongoing support, along with the prospect of future contributions, serves as a beacon of hope for our endeavors.

Throughout the day, Brigadier Ghumman's admiration for our organization became evident, reflected in his words of commendation and encouragement. His visit was not merely a formality but a testament to his genuine interest and belief in our mission, leaving an indelible impression on our hearts.

In deep appreciation, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to Brigadier Ahmad Rizwan Ghumman for honoring us with his presence, for his unwavering support, and for igniting a beacon of hope that illuminates our journey toward a brighter future for the children under our care.

## Person of Trust Elections:

At the SOS Children's Village Multan and the SOS Youth Home Multan, a significant event unfolded as the children exercised their democratic rights by electing individuals for the crucial role of Person of Trust in both establishments.

The elections, conducted exclusively among the children, aimed to identify the most suitable candidates for the esteemed position of Person of Trust.

In the Youth Home, Kashif Khan emerged as the elected representative, while in the Village, Shaista Parveen secured the position with overwhelming support.

Their resounding victories reflect the trust and confidence placed in them by their peers, as they willingly shoulder the responsibilities associated with the role of Person of Trust.



## SOS Hermann Gmeiner Higher Secondary School Multan

Total Strength of Students: 1457

### Art Activity:

Conducted on: 05th January, 2024

Timings: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Participant Classes: KG - II

**Aim of Activity:** To enhance students' artistic creativity through coloring and using leaves of different shapes and shades.

**Purpose of Activity:** On January 5, 2024, an Art Activity was conducted with the enthusiastic participation of almost 80 students from Grade KG-II (A, B, C & D). Initially, Mr. and Mrs. Waqas had a recap of previous art sessions, followed by presenting the concept of creating different characters using various shapes and sizes of leaves. Emphasizing students' independent artistic skills, they highlighted the importance of allowing students the freedom to create based on their moods or choices.

The students were highly excited and actively engaged in learning how to craft diverse characters using an assortment of leaves. Towards the end of the session, Mr. and Mrs. Waqas distributed refreshments (Lays and Juice) among the students. In appreciation, all the staff members of SOS expressed their gratitude for the wonderful and colorful activity conducted by both of them.



### Awareness Session by SMIT:

Conducted on: 31st January 2024

Conducted By: Mr. Nasrullah and co-worker

Grade: IX to XII

Aim of Activity: To create awareness among students about Technical and Vocational Education.

**Purpose of Activity:** On January 31, 2024, a team from SMIT visited SOS Hermann Gmeiner Higher Secondary School in Multan. Mr. Nasrullah commenced the session at 10:00 am, delivering an informative lecture on Technical and Vocational Education and emphasizing its importance in future life. He encouraged students to pursue Technical Education, citing its relevance to current needs. Mr. Nasrullah showcased some videos to motivate the students and invited them to ask any questions about the session. Several students posed queries about Technical and Vocational education. The entire student body attended the session with great interest and attention, gaining valuable insights into practical education. They expressed their gratitude to Mr. Nasrullah for conducting the informative session.



## Inter-School Annual Debate 2024:

Conducted on: 13th January, 2024

Timing: 10:00 am to 01:30 pm

#### No. of Participants: 09 Schools

- 1. Beaconhouse School System (All Branches)
- 2. Beaconhouse College Program
- 3. Beaconhouse Newlands School Multan
- 4. Kids Kampus / SICAS DHA Multan
- 5. Multan Public School & College Multan
- 6. Lahore Grammar School Multan
- 7. Bloomfield Hall School Multan
- 8. Jinnah High School System Multan
- 9. SOS H.G School Multan

#### Level Grade Topics:

- 1 3 4 2 Min Being Creative Is Essential for Learning (Speech)
- 2 5 6 2.5 Min Leadership Is an Inherent Quality or Leadership Is an Acquired Skill? (Debate)
- 37 83 Min Is It Possible for Advancement and Environmental Conservation to Coexist?
- 49 102 Min Per Participant Artificial Intelligence Versus Human Intelligence. Which One Will Prevail? (Panel Style Debate)
  - Adult Panel Will Comprise of ECM Members in Favor of Artificial Intelligence.
  - Combined School Student Panel Will Comprise of All School Participants in Favor of Human Intelligence.
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Aim of the Activity: To empower students to showcase their speaking skills and confidence.

**Purpose of the Activity:** The debate competition provides students with an opportunity to showcase their public speaking skills, fostering a sense of friendship and unity among participating schools. As in the past nine years, our tenth Annual Debate Competition was organized on January 13, 2024, within our school premises. Nine well-renowned schools from Multan participated in this event, having been informed about the rules, regulations, and topics 15 days prior to the competition.

At 10:15 am, the debate competition commenced with the National Anthem, and each participating student proudly represented their school with their respective school flags. Following the Anthem, Darood Pak was played with a calligraphic Darood Pak slide.

The event was skillfully anchored by Hani Urwa and Abia Tanveer, both Grade X students. They welcomed our esteemed chairperson, Mrs. Mahnaz Fareed Sheikh, who officially inaugurated the ceremony. Mrs. Mahnaz Fareed Sheikh extended a warm welcome to the judges, chief guests, parents, and participants of this significant competition. She emphasized the pride this event brings to every Multani and every Pakistani, considering education a fundamental right accessible to all. Mrs. Sheikh also shed light on SOS projects and their noble cause. Acknowledging the exceptional results of our Matriculation class of 2023 and the Intermediate class of 2023, she praised these outstanding students as assets to the country. Hani Urwa and Abia Tanveer then introduced the chief guests and judges.

#### Our Debate Judges were:

- **1.** Mr. Abdul Haq Khawaja Director of Mahmood Group of Industries and founder of Enlightened Multan.
- 2. Mr. Muhammad Furqan Baloch An accomplished Urdu writer of Urdu dramas and has been the founder of the debating club of Muhammad Nawaz Shareef University.
- 3. Ms. Shazia Mehboob Principal Nishat College of Science for Girls Multan.

#### **Our Project Judges were:**

- 1. Mrs. Mahvish Abdul Haq Co-founder of Enlightened Multan.
- 2. Mr. Taimoor Durrani Social Media influencer, Food Critic, and Consultant.

Afterwards, the competition commenced. Initially, "Level – 1" participants delivered speeches on the topic "Being Creative Is Essential for Learning." Following that, "Level – 2" engaged in debates on the topic "Leadership Is an Inherent Quality or Leadership Is an Acquired Skill?"

Following these first two levels, Tooba from SOS Hermann Gmeiner Higher Secondary School Multan presented a beautiful recital, illustrating the profound connection and love between nature and human beings. The audience warmly appreciated her performance.

Moving on, "Level – 3" initiated debates on the topic "Is It Possible for Advancement and Environmental Conservation to Coexist?" Students expressed their perspectives for and against the topic in an organized manner.

Subsequently, "Level – 4" commenced their debates in a panel style, addressing the topic "Artificial Intelligence versus Human Intelligence: Which one will prevail?" Members of our Executive Committee participated in the adult team, and the other team was a combined school team, which had one participant from each school defending their positions effectively.

Towards the end, "Level – 5" presented debates in Urdu on the topic "بين ڈگریاں زیادہ کیا" Following this, Saira from SOS Hermann Gmeiner Higher Secondary School Multan delivered an Urdu recital titled "نکل میں کھوج کی خود تو." The audience highly appreciated her performance.

Finally, the much-anticipated moment arrived, and Madam Mahnaz Fareed Sheikh announced the results collected from the judges.

She invited the esteemed judges to come on stage and presented medals and trophies to all the winning students. SOS Hermann Gmeiner Higher Secondary School was awarded the school trophy for achieving the highest number of positions.

All the judges and chief guests were honored with a shield of gratitude and congratulated the victorious participants. The event proved to be a significant experience for all participating schools, fostering confidence and providing valuable experience. Their outstanding performances elevated the reputation of their respective institutes.

Finally, all the judges and chief guests were treated to refreshments as a token of thanks for their participation and support.



## Polio Vaccination:

Conducted on: 10th January, 2024

Timings: 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Participant Classes: PG to KG - II

**Aim of Activity:** To achieve a polio-free Pakistan by raising awareness about the disease and vaccinating children under the age of five.

**Purpose of Activity:** On January 10, 2024, a polio vaccination team visited SOS Hermann Gmeiner Higher Secondary School in Multan. Children under the age of five received vaccinations on that day, with the team also emphasizing the harmful effects of polio that can lead to irreversible paralysis. Attentive teachers ensured that their students were vaccinated in an orderly manner. The team conducted follow-up visits to the school to administer vaccinations to those students who were absent on the initial polio vaccination day. Mrs. Kanwal Farooq, Vice Principal of SOS Hermann Gmeiner School, expressed gratitude to the entire team of respected guests and commemorated the occasion with a group photo.



## **SOS Multan Institute of Technology**

Strength DAE Students (including SOS students):	137
Strength of SOS Students (DAE & Vocational):	14
Strength of PSDF Students:	199
Strength of TEVTA short course Students:	50
Total Strength:	386

### **PSDF Final Exam:**

In January 2024, the Punjab Skills Development Fund (PSDF) offered 5 short courses, listed below:

- **1.** Home Appliances
- 2. Mobile Phone Repair (Hybrid and Conventional)
- 3. Electrician
- 4. Plumber
- 5. Beautician

The final exams, consisting of both theory and practical components, for these courses will be conducted on January 30th, 2024. The PSDF assessor has been nominated to oversee and conduct the exam, and the PSDF team will visit the exam center for inception purposes.



## NAVTTC Candidate's Selection Interviews & Test:

The entry test for Web Development & Mobile Application was held at SOS Multan Institute of Technology under the supervision of the National Vocational & Technical Training Commission (NAVTTC). The entry test was supervised by the institute's teachers, while the registration

process was handled by a vocational assistant. A total of 270 candidates attended the entry test. Following the exam, the principal conducted interviews with the candidates.

