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Meezan Bank believes in conducting business in a manner that is ethical and contributes to its stakeholders, environment and society in a positive manner. The Bank is implementing sustainable business practices that fully meet the expectations that the society has from responsible corporate citizens. Meezan Bank's consciousness of its responsibility towards society and stakeholders is also expressed in its Vision and Mission statements. Our focus on CSR includes our participation in charity and donations, social welfare in terms of health and education as well as transparency.

COVID-19 Vaccination Drives

The world witnessed the COVID-19 pandemic spread to over 160 countries, having a devastating impact on the well-being of many. In 2021, Meezan Bank partnered with the Government of Sindh to conduct various vaccination drives to increase the administration of vaccines to both the general public as well as members of the Meezan Bank family.

Meezan Bank's Role in Improving Health and Well-Being on a National Level

As the healthcare system in the country struggled to cope with growing economic and humanitarian pressures, the Bank continued to play its role in handling this enormous battle and advancing sustainable development goals through immunization. The Bank's partnership with the Sindh Government aimed to strengthen the immunization system during the pandemic in Karachi, especially taking into account the high positivity rate in the city. These efforts played a major role in mitigating the devastating health and economic impacts of the pandemic, particularly on those with weak immune systems, providing them with a cost-effective and lasting health intervention.



Launch of Pakistan's Largest COVID-19 Drive-through Vaccination Centre at Gulberg, Karachi

In August 2021, Meezan Bank, in collaboration with the Government of Sindh, launched Pakistan's largest COVID-19 Drive-through vaccination centre for general public in Karachi. The Facility is situated at central location of Gulberg Town. Establishment of this vaccination centre was personally overseen by the Bank's Founding President & CEO - Mr. Irfan Siddiqui and was inaugurated by Barrister Murtaza Wahab - Spokesperson Government of Sindh & Administrator Karachi. With a total of twenty-four booths, the facility operates seven days a week, providing thousands of adults a convenient and safe way of getting vaccinated while observing social distancing rules.

162,700 individuals vaccinated

24 Booths operating 7 days a week



Barrister Murtaza Wahab - Spokesperson Government of Sindh & Administrator Karachi with Mr. Irfan Siddiqui - Founding President & CEO, Meezan Bank at the inauguration of vaccination center at Gulberg Town Karachi.

Launch of Second COVID-19 Drive-through Vaccination Centre at DHA Phase 8, Karachi

On the country's 75th Independence Day, the Bank launched its second COVID-19 drive-through vaccination centre for the general public at DHA Phase 8, Karachi in collaboration with the Government of Sindh. This centre was also inaugurated by Barrister Murtaza Wahab - Spokesperson Government of Sindh & Administrator Karachi, who appreciated Meezan Bank's efforts and support for this important cause.

11,000 individuals vaccinated



Barrister Murtaza Wahab - Spokesperson Government of Sindh & Administrator Karachi with Mr. Irfan Siddiqui - Founding President & CEO, Meezan Bank at the inauguration of vaccination center at DHA, Karachi.

Launch of Mobile Vaccination Units

The Bank also launched two mobile vaccination units for COVID-19 in Karachi, in collaboration with Sindh Government and Meezan Foundation. These vaccination units were housed in specialized custom-built vehicles that moved around the city and provided free vaccination to the general public on the spot to enable the maximum number of people to get vaccinated. The drive was inaugurated at Dolmen Mall Clifton by Mr. Irshad Sodhar - Deputy Commissioner South, Karachi in the presence of the Bank's senior management team.

10,500
individuals vaccinated



Mr. Irshad Sodhar - Deputy Commissioner South, Karachi at the inauguration ceremony of the mobile vaccination units with Meezan Bank's senior management team.

COVID-19 Vaccination Drive for Employees and their Families

In June 2021, the Bank also launched a COVID-19 vaccination drive for its employees and their family members at its Head Office in collaboration with the Government of Sindh. The drive was personally overseen by the Honorable Commissioner Karachi - Mr. Navid Ahmed Shaikh along with his team. Overall 99% of the employees are fully vaccinated out of which 4,564 have been vaccinated through this drive.

4,564
employees vaccinated
through this drive



Honorable Commissioner Karachi - Mr. Navid Ahmed Shaikh with Mr. Irfan Siddiqui - Founding President & CEO, Meezan Bank at the inauguration of vaccination center at Meezan House.



Meezan Bank Acknowledged by HANDS-Pakistan and United Nations

Meezan Bank participated in the seminar organized by Health and Nutrition Development Society (HANDS) Pakistan & United Nations Office for the Coordination of the Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) to commemorate the efforts of the corporate and social sector in the fight against COVID-19 and to raise awareness regarding the importance of vaccinating undocumented persons/refugees. Mr. Muhammad Raza - Group Head Customer Support was also presented with a token of appreciation for the Bank's efforts in combatting the pandemic.

Media Highlights



Healthcare

The Indus Hospital

Since its inception in 2005, The Indus Hospital (TIH) has been running an unparalleled and unique healthcare business model, whereby it provides premium healthcare at no cost to low-income populations. Meezan Bank supported TIH in its 5th Indus Annual Golf Tournament 2021 that engaged more than 100 golfers and top CEOs of several organizations. The fundraiser not only helped create awareness about the network and philanthropic activities of TIH, Karachi, but also helped collect voluntary financial support to expand and continue providing free quality healthcare to all.



Layton Rahmatulla Benevolent Trust

Layton Rahmatulla Benevolent Trust (LRBT) is Pakistan's largest non-governmental organization working to fight blindness in the country. Meezan Bank participated in the 4th LRBT Golf Tournament fundraiser event. This event was held to raise funds for the free treatment of eye diseases such as Cataract, Glaucoma, retinal and corneal diseases among children and adults in Pakistan.



Education

The Citizens Foundation

The Citizens Foundation (TCF) is one of Pakistan's leading non-profit organizations in the field of education for the less privileged, set up in 1995 by a group of citizens concerned with the dismal state of education in the country, to help educate the less privileged children of our society. Meezan Bank supported TCF by participating in a fundraiser event held on December 12, 2021 at Karachi Golf Club, Karsaz. The event supported education of 275,000 children at 1,687 schools across Pakistan.



Hira Foundation School

Hira Foundation School is a division of the renowned Jamia Darul Uloom Karachi. It is a well-reputed Cambridge based schooling system where value-based education is provided to students in accordance with Islamic values. Meezan Bank supported the school in hosting the A-Level Cricket League in March, 2021. The league had 8 teams participating from reputable colleges of Karachi.

Cutchi Memon Students Federation (CMSF)

Meezan Bank sponsored the All Memon Speech Competition organized by Cutchi Memon Students Federation (CMSF) in October, 2021 for the students of Matric and above. The competition was well-attended by students as well as prominent businessmen of the metropolitan city of Karachi.

Meezan Foundation

Charity is one of the most important pillars of a healthy society. Keeping this and the Islamic principles of Ihsan in mind, Meezan Bank recognizes its responsibility as a conscientious corporate institution and considers Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) as an integral part of its value system to contribute to the society and support those in need. With this aim and objective, the Bank formed a separate Trust with the name of Meezan Foundation to undertake CSR projects for betterment of society and the general public.

Meezan Foundation has supported the following organizations for different projects:

Alamgir Welfare Trust

M/s Alamgir Welfare Trust (AWT) International is one of the most well-known welfare organisations in Pakistan, serving the indigent and underprivileged for the last 25 years through healthcare center, food distribution, education, sadqa and financial assistance for marriages of underprivileged children, etc.

AWT also provides ambulance services to the masses free of cost. Meezan Foundation supported AWT by meeting the rising demand for their ambulance services.



Durbeen

Durbeen, a sister concern of Zindagi Trust, is a non-profit organization working towards improving public schools in Pakistan. To achieve this long-term goal, the organisation is staffing these public schools with professional teacher graduates of revamped Government Colleges of Teacher Education across Pakistan.

Durbeen has partnered with the Government of Sindh to take over the management of the Government Elementary College of Education (GECE), Hussainabad, and has linked it with global best practices in teacher education through an education collaboration with the University of Helsinki in Finland and the University of Karachi. To support in their projects of improving the government schools, Meezan Foundation contributed towards Durbeen's mission to transform the public education system.

Jamiyat Punjabi Saudagran-e-Delhi

Jamiyat Punjabi Saudagran-e-Delhi (JPSD), a charitable organization operating since 1948, runs 8 educational institutes from Montessori to Higher Education. JPSD provides quality education to underprivileged children in different cities of Pakistan including Karachi, Lahore, and Islamabad. The organisation also provides other services such as health facilities through hospitals and dispensaries, financial assistance for weddings, medical related cases, bus services, burial and graveyard services, etc.

To support their causes, Meezan Foundation helped JPSD install solar panels to help them shift towards renewable, clean and green energy at a low maintenance cost.

The Citizens Foundation

The Citizens Foundation (TCF) is one of Pakistan's leading non-profit organizations in the field of education for the less privileged. Meezan Foundation supported TCF in providing recreational activities to children from underprivileged areas.

COVID-19 Vaccination Drives across Pakistan

To help the staff members and their families in getting vaccinated, the Bank arranged vaccination drives at Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad and Peshawar. The drives were conducted with the collaboration and support of the provincial and local governments of the respective regions. The President & CEO personally discussed the options for vaccination of staff members and their families with Commissioner Karachi who later sought formal approval from the Chief Minister of Sindh and the NCOC. Thereafter, Health Department Sindh established a vaccination centre at Meezan House.

Meezan Foundation also funded the physical setup and operations of the two drive-through vaccination centers as well as the two mobile vaccination units at Karachi.



Mr. Irfan Siddiqui - Founding President & CEO, Meezan Bank, presenting the cheque to Durbeen along with Mr. Khalid Zaman Khan - Group Head HR, L&D and Mr. Shabbir Hamza Khandwala - CFO & Group Head Finance.

Raising Awareness of Social Causes on Social Media

Meezan Bank has regularly been raising awareness of various social causes such as financial literacy, giving back to society, inclusion of disabled persons, etc. on social media. The Bank conducted 5 Financial Literacy Campaigns on Social Media and also ran an extensive campaign on Meezan Roshan Samaaji Khidmat to encourage Non-Resident Pakistanis to support Pakistani NGOs back home for which a series of 14 videos in collaboration with the NGOs were released on Social Media. Meezan Bank also developed and released 4 educational videos on Islamic banking in sign language to encourage a more inclusive Islamic banking system in Pakistan.

