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A WORD AND MORE

In our Community, the importance of an efficient medium cannot be ignored. In order to keep our members abreast of all the activities undertaken by the Supreme Council, Marhum Haji Ebrahimbhai and his colleagues launched the now famous "Federation Samachar." Apart from the Council reports and accounts, this journal reported the activities of its — constituent jamaats, and at times, contained an article or two of general interest.

As time rolled by, it was found that the Samachar had been able to raise a keen readership group from amongst our people in East Africa and also outside East Africa. During my visit to India in 1967, I met several friends who were all well informed about our activities, organization, and progress — thanks to the Samachar. Some of them even came with a request for a more frequent publication.

Today, we are faced with a problem, Gujarati compositors are not readily available, and in trying to get the Samachar published in Gujarati, an unprecedented delay is entailed. Since 1971, the Samachar has never been regular, and it always came out carrying reports which had lost their news-value. This faltering pace of publication has met with a genuine criticism from all quarters, and every session of the Council had devoted quite a few minutes to discuss and decide how this medium could be revived.

This concern by the Councillors and the members of our public is all the more encouraging, since it proves that the Community is missing something it so dearly cares for. At the seminar arranged by the Golden Crescent Group at Arusha, the youths of our Community lay a great emphasis on the Samachar. They clearly understood its necessity, and decided to impress upon the Council that such a publication was essentially conducive to a better understanding between the Council and the Members.

My Colleagues and I eventually decided that this publication must not be allowed to discontinue if it could not be in Gujarati. We fully understood

the difference this would make in as much as that it would fail to cater for the needs of the Gujarati reading members of Somalia, Madagascar and certain parts of India and Pakistan. Yet, we have decided that in between these issues, efforts will be made to bring out a special number or two in Gujarati, or in two languages — i.e. Gujarati and English.

Consequent upon this decision, I am glad to report that an Editorial Board has been set up in Dar es Salaam comprising of three members.

Mr. Mohamed Rafik G. Somji.

Mr. Mohamed G. Dhirani.

Mr. Abbas S. Alloo.

This issue coming forth from Dar es Salaam is the result of the methodical work put in by these members, and I hasten to congratulate them on their fine work. They are entrusted with the work of publishing four issues in a year, and I fervently hope that the three next issues are in the offing.

Since other monthly publications such as 'Rehbar,' 'Salsabil,' 'Inquilab,' and 'Manzil' have ceased, the importance of the Samachar has increased in many ways. It has now to shoulder a new responsibility. The Editorial Board has decided to introduce new and educative features in the said journal, and augment the benefits and utility of the medium.

I wish them every success, and thank them earnestly for their co-operation.

Asgharali M. M. Jaffer.

Chairman — K.S.I.

Supreme Council

NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION



Al-haj Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer has been voted unanimously as the Chairman of Federation by the constituent Jamaats for a term of three years from January 1974 to December, 1976.

Mulla Asgharali is well groomed for this position and we are proud that we have a person of high calibre at the helm. He previously served as the Secretary General of the Federation and in the last term from 1971 to 1973 he was elected as the Vice-chairman. On the death of the last Chairman Haji Mohamedali Meghji in June 1973 he had to take over as Chairman as is provided in the constitution of the Federation.

MERGER OF ZANZIBAR JAMAATS IN SIGHT

In the last session of Supreme Council, it was resolved to make attempts at unification of the two jamaats in Zanzibar. With the late Chairman Haji Mohamedalibhai Meghji, the following two members were appointed on the sub-committee for the above purpose :-

1. Haji Husein Nasser Valji.
2. Haji Mohamed G. Dhirani.

After the meeting, the late Chairman wrote to our jamaats in Zanzibar, asking them to fix up a suitable time for the delegation to visit them, and also called for their candid opinion about the task undertaken. Both the jamats responded favourably, wrote back to assure of their best and full co-operation, and expressed their eagerness to meet the delegation.

The present chairman of the Federation Mr. Asgharali M. M. Jaffer visited Zanzibar during December 1973, and was met by the Presidents of both the jamats to give initial touchings to the much longed for merger.

The Chairman advised them to pass a resolution at their respective general meetings, giving assent to the principle of the said merger and total unification of the management and the trusts. We are pleased to report that such a resolution has been passed at the Management Committee level by each jamat, and a final assent to it by the general bodies of the said jamats is keenly awaited.

Unity is strength. United we stand.

Since 1400 years ago Islam prohibits partaking of liquor for various reasons including social, health, economic effects. The western world at one time either ridiculed the rule of prohibition or preached against it. Article published in the TIMES of the 14th February, 1974 speaks of ill-effects of liquor on liver —

LIVERS AND LIQUOR

What causes alcoholics to develop cirrhosis and other frequently fatal liver diseases? Many doctors, noting the tendency of alcoholics to drink more than they eat, believe that poor nutrition plays a key role. But two researchers from the Mount Sinai School of Medicine and the Bronx Veterans Hospital in New York now claim that it is drink alone that does the damage. A four-year study has convinced them that even in the well-nourished, alcohol can be lethal to the liver.

Drs. Emanuel Rubin and Charles Lieber selected baboons for their study because the primates live as long as 15 years, far longer than most other laboratory animals, and have livers that are similar to man's. The researchers put 26 baboons on high-protein, high-vitamin diets, but for 13 of the animals substituted ethanol, or grain alcohol, for much of the carbohydrate portion of the dietary requirements. The alcohol provided the animals with fully half their caloric intake.

The baboons responded to the booze — equivalent to about a fifth per day for a man — just as humans would. They became intoxicated and, ultimately, dependent upon drink. Two of the animals became so addicted to alcohol that they experienced withdrawal symptoms, including what seemed to be delirium tremens, or DTs, when off the bottle.

But the most significant result of the study was the destruction of the myth that alcoholic liver damage is the result of a bad diet rather than booze. All of the animals who were kept on the drinker's diet for anywhere from nine months to four years developed some form of alcoholic liver damage. Seven of the baboons developed fatty livers, and four contracted alcoholic hepatitis. Two animals, kept on the bottle for four years, developed cirrhosis, the progressive and severe hardening and contraction of the liver.

The study provided other insights into alcoholism, which Rubin and Lieber consider to be one of man's worst "environmental" ailments. Because pure alcohol was used exclusively, it became evident that the toxic effects were the result of the alcohol itself and not, as some researchers have suggested, caused by any of the impurities or additives found in beer, wine or hard liquor. Concludes Rubin: "You can't protect yourself against alcoholic damage by eating well; what counts is the total amount of alcohol you drink."

BUKOKBA JAMAT DONATES SHS. 3,500/-

On the 10th Ashura, the youths of the Bukoba Jamat collected a sum of Shs. 3,500/- towards Bewa and Yatim Fund. This is indeed a noble example set by the youths of the Bukoba Jamat.

TANGA FIRE VICTIMS

The Council is to provide relief assistance for a sum of Shs. 49,000/- to the three victims of the recent Tanga fire in the form of loans.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

It has been brought to the attention of the Secretariat that in Tanzania and Kenya government public schools the management has facilitated Religious Education to various religions.

Some Jamats have taken the benefits of such facility offered and have appointed roving maalims going school to school and teaching religion during the period.

Jamats doing the needful or not doing the needful are invited to write their report to the Federation Samachar.

CAN LADIES AND GENTS SIT TOGETHER IN MAJLISES AND SOCIAL FUNCTIONS ?

By

Syed Saeed Akhtar Rizvi

Chief Missionary—Bilal Muslim Mission of Tanzania

It is shocking to hear that these days some individuals in Canada and U.K. are inclined to arrange and hold majlises and other social functions where the ladies and gents sit in the same room or hall where there is no pardha at all.

It is amusing to learn that they are doing it in the name of avoiding 'discrimination'. Canada and U.K. and other European countries are Christian countries where neither the Catholics nor the Protestants admit women into Priesthood. Catholics nuns are obliged to cover their whole body even in their dormitories; and a woman going before the Pope must cover her whole body, even if she, in her public life, is a 'striptease artist.'

So, the 'anti-discrimination' laws have not compelled the Christians to relax their rules that are obviously based on "sex-discrimination."

Now coming to the Shia Ithna-Asheri Sheriat, it is the unanimous ruling of all the Mujtahids, right from the begining upto now that:

1. A woman must cover her entire body and hair in such a way that it is not seen by any man who is not within prohibited degree. (Within prohibited degree with whom marriage is prohibited, like father, brother, son etc.).
2. It is 'Haram' (unlawful) for a man to look at the body (or part thereof) of a woman who is not MAHRAM whether it be with lusty intention or without such intention.
3. It is 'Haram' (unlawful) for a woman to look at the body of a man who is not MAHRAM.
4. The above rules are for her whole body except the face (excluding neck, ears and hair) and hands from the wrists to the finger-tips.

5. So far the face and hands (as explained above) are concerned, it is the unanimous ruling of all the Mujtahids that it is 'Haram' (unlawful) for a man to look at the face and hands of a woman (other than his wife) if that look is with intention, of lust, desire or enjoyment.

6. The only difference of opinion is about looking at the face and hands of a woman (who is not within prohibited degree) without any lusty intention. Some Mujtahids say that it is allowed; others say that it is not allowed.

Present great Mujtahids (Agha-e-Khouja, Agha-e-Shahrudi and Aga-e-Shariatmadari) say that it is not Haram to look at the face and hands (as explained earlier) of a woman who is not within prohibited degree, without any lusty intention. But even then, they say that it is 'Ihtiya-e-wajib' to refrain from such looking.

7. Looking at non-Muslim women, who do not cover their whole bodies, is allowed, if it is without any lusty intention.

Now if someone is prepared to reach the furthest limit, he can do so only IF the womenfolk cover their whole body from head to foot in a proper way (not in revealing clothes nor in revealing style). (To put it in a more clear way, a woman must cover herself as is done in Ihram, covering her neck, hair and ears also, leaving only that part of the face open which is washed in Wudhu).

It is high time for women to be taught and made to attend majlises and other functions in proper Islamic dress, even if they sit behind partition. The Jews compel their congregation to wear scutch caps and prayer-shawls when praying in a synagogue, and it is not considered as an undue hardship. Why our own Jamats and individuals cannot make such rules ?

We know that most of these women do not observe purdah at all. Someone may say that to make women observe purdah within the Imambara or majlises amounts to hypocrisy. But it is not so. By making them observe the rules of Sheriat every time they come to the majlis or into Imambara, we do remind them what they should be (and are not), we make them remember what a good Shia Ithna-Asheri woman should be. This 'reminding' is the most important factor in keeping the torch of faith alive. By this 'reminding' they will never forget their noble Islamic heritage. Remove this restriction, and your children will never know what is the difference between a Muslim way of life and a pagan one.

The God of Islam and His Sacred Sheriat are the same everywhere. A Muslim never forgets his religion wherever he is. It seems that a notion prevails at the back of many minds that Sheriat was to be observed in East Africa only, where they

existed in an inter-women society and under the constant surveillance of Jamats. Let us fear God and nobody else.

Should you need any further clarification on the above subject or on any other masail please do write with confidence to:

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Tanzania.

Answering your probelmes on religion is part of the free service of the Mission under the organisation of the Khoja Shia Ithna-Asheri Supreme Council for Africa.

HOLY PROPHET (S.A.) SAID :

On congregation of men ! I have been called from this world and I have accepted to go. Indeed I am leaving amongst you two esteemed things one is the book of Allah and the other is my Progeny. If you hold by both of these you shall never be led astray and these two will never be separated till both of them reach me at the Hauz-e-Kausar. SoS you people take your teachings; from them and they (Ahle Bait) are not dependent for their knowledge on you; they are far superior to you in knowledge. The earth shall never be void of them and if does become void of them then the people of the earth would come in heavy loss.

THEY LEFT US

During the last few months the Shia world in general and the Council in particular were grieved to hear the news of the deaths of Raja Mahmudabad, Allama Rashid Turabi, Allama Ibne Jarchvi, His Eminence Mirza Mohamed Pooya and Haji Nurmohamed Nasser.

ALLAMA RASHEED TURABI

The Majlises during Muharram and thereafter are a matchless institution with which we are blessed. A preacher is, therefore, burdened with a responsibility to convey the message of Islam and explain the tragedy of Kerbala in its true perspective.

Amongst those few capable Zakirs of this century, the late Allama Rasheed Turabi was perhaps the most prominent. He was eloquent, forceful, persuasive, up-to-date in his information, keen student of human psychology and coherent speaker. From Mimber, he was the first man to

be seen and heard in his style; a style which has been liked and emulated by numerous Zakirs.

News of his death assailed the whole Shia World on the 18th of December, 1973. Radio Pakistan broadcast the news to its listeners, and our Federation informed all Jamats with a request for Fatehakhani and Majlis.

Allama Turabi originally hailed from Hyderabad Deccan — India. After the partition, he migrated to Pakistan where he stayed till his last days. He came to East Africa in 1954 visiting various principal Jamats.

During his preachings, he invariably expounded Islamic philosophy in the light of the teachings of Ahlulbait. The world knew him as a formidable exponent of Shia faith — and he proved his qualification by courageous defense against many malicious onslaughts.

May Allah bless him with eternal peace, in the proximity of his Lords, Muhammad (S.A.W.) and his Ahlulbait, Amin.



ALLAMA SYED IBNE HASSAN JARCHVI

The sad demise of Maulana Allama Ibne Jarchvi an eminent scholar, politician, writer and teacher took place at Karachi on 16th July, 1973 as a result of jaundice. It will be recalled that the late President of the Federation Marhum Haji Habibullah H. Sheriff had invited Marhum in 1963 to undertake a preaching tour of our East African states.

Marhum was born in Buland-Shahr, India in 1905. He took his M.A. degree from Punjab University. He attended the first Shia Conference in 1923 held at Subber. He taught at the Jamia Milla, Delhi from 1931 to 1938. In 1938 he was deputed to teach theology and other subjects to Mr. Amir Habibullah Khan and Raja of Mahmoodabad. He was also the Principal at one time of the Shia College of Lucknow. Marhum migrated to Pakistan in 1951 and started teaching Islamic studies at the Karachi University. He is the author of two dozen books.

The Samachar extends its sincere condolences to the Marhum's family. It is our earnest prayers to Allah that he may rest his soul amongst his chosen ones.

HIS EMINENCE MIRZA MOHAMED POOYA

The sad demise of His Eminence Maulana Mirza Mohamed Pooya an eminent Shia Scholar, writer and preacher which took place at Karachi, Pakistan in the middle of July, 1973 has been noted with regret. Marhum has written several books in Shia Theology and contributed appreciably in the propagation of our faith. Marhum wrote a commentary to the English version of the Holy Quran compiled by Mir Ahmed Ali. Marhum's latest book "An Introduction to Holy Quran" is under print.

LATE HAJI NURMOHAMED NASSER



Haji Nurmohamed Nasser is remembered for his long dedicated service to Dar es Salaam Jamat having served as its President for three consecutive terms.

Born, educated and lived all his life in Dar es Salaam. Age 71.

An ardent and active supporter of the Federation, Haji Nurmohamed travelled extensively with Haji Ebrahim Shariff in Foundation Fund raising tour. Earlier he was an active participant in fund collecting campaign for Haji Mohamed Jaffer Boarding House.

Till lately his interest in the Federation affairs was lively. At invitation he attended the full session Council meetings in 1973. He was on Hajj pilgrimage when he answered 'Labbaik' to eternity.

HASSANALIBHAI PIRBHAI LIRA — MAURITIUS

With profound sorrow the death of a leading and popular leader, Hassanali P. Lira is recorded.

Born in Hariyana, India in 1910, Hassanalibhai had his early education there. In 1933 he migrated to Port Louis, Mauritius. The following year he started his personal business. During the same time he chose a bride from Port Louis and married. He leaves behind a widow and eleven children.

JAMAAT NEWS :

"LABBAIK"

Many Jamaats recently held elections and here are their results. Congratulations to those who have offered themselves for the worthy cause.

Mombasa Jamaat :

The election meeting was held on the night of Idd-e-Ghadeer and the term of the Managing Committee is for the two years of 1974 and 1975 :-

Chairman : Haji Mohamedhussein Gulamhussein.

Vice-chairman : Haji Hassan Ali Mohamed Jaffer.

Hon. Secretary : Haji Masumali Meghji.

Hon. Asst. Secretary : Haji Anverali Valimohamed.

Treasurer : Mr. Mohamedali M. Janmohamed

Committee Members :

Haji Mohamedraza A. Kanji.

Haji Jafferali M. Merali.

Haji Pyarali M. A. Ramji.

Haji Fidahussein R. Moledina.

Haji Hussein Habib.

Mr. Akberali H. Pirmohamed.

Haji Mohsin A. M. Jaffer.

Haji Akberali A. Karim.

Haji Gulamhussein R. Walji.

Mogadishu (Somalia) :

The election took place in the General Meeting held in the 17th January, 1974.

President :

Murabbi Haji Mohamed Haji Jaffer Hasham.

Vice-President :

Haji Hussein M. Mollo.

Treasurer :

Haji Gulam Abbas Haji Ramzan.

Hon. Secretary :

Haji Habib Mohamed Hasham.

Joint Secretary :

Haji Afzalali Fazal Remtulla :

Members :

Haji Husseinbhai Haji Hussein Bhanji.

Haji Alihussein Jafferbhai Gangji.

MOSHI :

The General Meeting for the election took place on the 7th February, 1974.

Chairman :

Mr. Kassamali Kermalli.

Vice Chairman :

Mr. Ali A. Virjee

Secretary :

Mr. Amir Hassan Jaffer.

Treasurer :

Mr. Ashaq Taki.

Manager :

Mr. Mohamedtaki Manek.

Committee Members :

Mr. Mohamedali Sheriff.

Mr. Dost Moledina.

Mr. Roshanali G. Kanji.

Mr. Habib R. Ladak.

Mr. Hasnain H. Walji.

Mr. Ahmed H. Daya.

Mr. Aziz M. Kanani.

LINDI :

The General Election was held on the 24th January 1974 and the term is for 1974.

President :

Mr. Anver A. Rehemtulla.

Vice President :

Mr. Gulamhussein F. Kermali.

Secretary :

Mr. Mohamed K. Esmail.

Treasurer :

Mr. Yusuf A. Pirmohamed.

Members :

Mr. Yusuf G. Fazal.
Mr. Raza R. Versi.
Mr. Sherali A. Khatau.
Mr. Abbas M. Manji.
Mr. Ahmed H. Murji.

TANGA :

The following office bearers were elected at the annual General Meeting held on 28th February, 1974.

President :

Dr. Fidahussein Hassanali.

Vice-President :

Haji Hassan A. Fazal.

Hon. Secretary :

Mr. Firoz H. J. Ebrahim.

Hon. Joint Secretary :

Mr. Gulamabbas F. Meghji.

Hon. Treasurer :

Haji Gulamabbas Rattansi.

Hon. Joint Treasurer :

Mr. Sajjad K. Tajri.

Mukhi :

Haji Fazal Meghji.

Assistant Mukhi :

Haji Shaukat R. Meghji.

Members :

Haji Amanullah N. Nasser.
Mr. Jaffer Somji.
Haji Ramzan M. Walli.
Mr. Anver M. Shivji.

MWANZA :

Election Meeting was held on 13.12.1973.

President :

Mr. Mohamed Jetha.

Vice President :

Mr. Rashid Suleman.

Secretary :

Mr. Roshan Mamidani.

Joint Secretary :

Mr. Baquir Alloo.

Treasurer :

Mr. Hussein Ebrahim.

Members :

Hussein J. Hasham.

Mr. Azad Poptani.

Mr. Rafik Dhalla.

Mr. Gulamali Kara.

Mr. Hassan Meghji.

Mr. Fazal M. Fazal.

Under the Editorship of Macbul Rahim and Mustafa Rashid an attempt has been to begin issues of Bulletin. The first issue is neatly cyclo-styled 18 pages. It is hoped that the Bulletin will make regular appearances.

DAR ES SALAAM :

Dar es Salaam Ithna-asheri Union election on 9.2.1974.

President :

Kassim H. K. Manji.

Vice-President :

Mohamed Sumar.

Secretary :

Yusuf G. M. Kermalli.

Treasurer :

Abbas Tejani.

LADIES SECTION :

Secretary :

Mohamed S. Mohamed.

Ithna-asheri Union Ladies Section (Dar es Salaam)

Beautifully typed, cyclostyled and bound 58 pages Magazine, — Annual Report is model for other institutions to follow. The novelty of combining the annual report in a magazine is informative as well as educative. Outgoing (1973) committee under Mrs. Ashraf Hirji skippership have done well to prepare ground for new and maintaining old activities for the incoming committee (1974).

OVERSEAS JAMAATS

London and Peterborough Jamaats in the United Kingdom have recently acquired old churches which they are converting as Imambaras. During the last Muharram, majlises were held for the ladies in the mornings and for gents at nights at Peterborough. The Imambara in London is situated at Hammersmith which has a underground tube station and there also Muharram majlises were held successfully. Extensive alterations are being carried to create sections for ladies and gents and a madressa.

Our brothers in Birmingham are also not lagging behind. They have also acquired an Imambara where they held a General Meeting and the following were elected :-

President :

Mr. Abdulrasul H. Somani.

Vice-President :

Haji Rajabalibhai Moledina.

Hon. Secretary :

Mr. Gulamabbas M. H. Mehrali.

Joint Secretary :

Mr. Parvez H. Walji.

Hon. Treasurer :

Mr. Mohamed A. Sajan.

Joint Treasurer :

Mr. Hassanali Hirji Rajpar.

In addition a committee of seven members and four trustees were elected.

PETERBOROUGH AND LONDON JAMAATS :

The Peterborough Jamaat which is about 80 miles away from proper London is shortly to inaugurate a new Imambara renovated from an old church whilst our London Jamaat is also believed to have bought an old church to convert it into a Imambara and other religious facilities.

Islamic Calenders 1394 :

The Islamic calenders published by the Dar es Salaam Jamaat as well as by Messrs Kaayim Stationers, Mombasa can be obtained overseas from the following :-

Haji Hussein Habib Kara,

38 Morewood Cresnet,

Willowdale,

Toronto — Canada.

Haji Mohamedhussein A. Dhanji,
267 Cromwell Road,
Peterborough.
Northants — England.

Religious Books :

The Secretariat has been advised by Murabbi Haji Mohamedhussein Alibhai Dhanji that he has started a Bookshop in Peterborough, England which will cater solely the religious requirement for young and old on the similar pattern but on an improved scale like his previous one in Kampala, Uganda. Those who wish to place an order for religious books or to subscribe for any religious magazine are requested to contact Haji Saheb on the above address. The books of Bilal Muslim Mission are also stocked by him.

NIKAH RECITAL AND NIKAH CONSENT FORMS

Jamaats and Institutions in Europe, U.S.A., England, Canada and elsewhere wishing the Council's Secretariat to arrange for the solemnization of "nikah" are requested to fill in proper Nikah Consent Forms called Wakalatnama. The name of the priest may be left blank and the tune of Maher — Dowry should be inserted at the place of signing. Nikah consent forms are available from the Council's office free of charge.

All requests for nikah should be sent through the Jamaats or Institutions and where no Jamaats or Institutions exist a mention must be made to this effect.

The fee for the issuance of a Marriage Certificate is Shs. 20/-.

NEW YORK JAMAAT CELEBRATES ITS FIRST ENGAGEMENT

The Secretariat is pleased to record the first engagement to be performed in New York between Mr. Mohamed Gulamhussein Hirji formerly of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania and Miss Hasina Khatun Hassanali Rajmohamed formerly of Masindi, Uganda and now resident of U.S.A.

This is the first engagement to be performed outside Uganda. The SAMACHAR extends its sincere mubaraki and all good wishes to both the parents.



KHUSH AMADID.....

COUNCIL WELCOMES MAULANA AL-HAJ

SHEIKH YUSUFALI ISMAIL KASSAM

SH. YUSUF NAFSI

Al-Haj Mulla Abdulrasul Mulla Hassanali G. Khaki, the Advisor to the Council on Tabligh welcomed Maulana Al-Haj Sh. Yusuf Nafsi to Mombasa at the Mombasa Jamat Imambara on Thursday the 4th October, 1973 on behalf of the Chairman of the Federation and wished him a happy stay in Mombasa.

It will be recalled that Sh. Nafsi proceeded to India in 1961 to take up a course in Molvi. He later moved to Iran and then to Iraq. He is currently the Secretary of our current Mujtahid Ayatullah Syed Aboolkassim El-Khui at Najaf, Iraq. Whilst in Mombasa Sh. Nafsi visited the Mackinnon Road to see for himself the activities of the Bilal Muslim Mission of Kenya and visited the Secretariat. His tour took him to Madagascar, Somalia and other West African States.

HAJI HAMID SETH DAWOOD HABIB OF KARACHI VISITS COUNCIL'S SECRETARIAT

Al-Haj Seth Hamid Dawood Habib of Karachi, Pakistan, a Senior Director of the Habib Complexes and Managing Trustee of the various Habib Charitable Trusts and Institutions, called on the Chairman of the Federation Al-Haj Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer at the Council's Secretariat, Mombasa on Thursday the 27th September, 1973.

Haji Hamid Seth was on his first visit to Kenya, whilst in Nairobi, he met the Chairman Al-Haj Mulla Asgharali at the latter's residence. The

Chairman requested him to find some time for a brief visit to Mombasa so that a programme could be arranged for a cross-section of the Community to meet him. The Chairman then travelled to Mombasa for the purpose.

In welcoming Haji Hamid Seth, the Chairman paid a warm tribute to the Habib family for their philanthropy and profound interest in the communal welfare. He particularly mentioned the religious zeal and enthusiasm with which the family sponsored and organised all their Chaitable Trusts and Institutions. The Chairman made a particular reference to the personal interest Haji Hamid Seth took in the activities of the Council, and expressed his deep gratitude for the concern shown. At the end, he requested Haji Hamid Seth to convey good wishes and felicitations to the community brothers of Pakistan on behalf of the Council.

In reply, Haji Hamid Seth expressed his admiration over the organised and methodical activities of the Council. He laid special emphasis on the higher education loans and the Bilal Muslim Mission. These two activities, he said, have greatly impressed him. He further requested the Council to remain in closer contact with the religious organisations of Pakistan so as to gain the maximum circulation for the publications.

The Chairman of the Federation Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer presented Haji Hamid Seth with "SILVER JUBILEE" commemorative wooden plaque and a flower vase bearing the emblem of the Federation.

HABI DAWOOD SETH HAMID HAJI BIB

OF

KARACHI

VISITS

COUNCIL'S SECRETARIAT



The Chairman of Federation Mulla Asgar M. M. Jaffer presenting a Souvenir to Haji Hamed Dawood Habib, of Habib Bank Ltd. and Managing Trustee of Habib Trusts, when he visited Secretariat.

SPORTRAMA

THE JAFFERY SPORTS CLUB — MOMBASA

Mombasa has been fortunate that it has one of the finest sports club in East Africa which has moulded our youths. It was the pioneering spirits of those who have passed which has enabled the youth at present to enjoy the fruits.

The Chairman of the Federation Al-Haj Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer was the guest of honour at the Jaffery Sports Club function on Saturday the 12th January, 1974 to mark the completion of the re-alignment of the cricket ground and the re-adjustment of the existing club facilities. A new prayers room for the players and guests with usual facilities has been added to the Club premises in addition to a new changing room for the players.

The Council has made a handsome donation of Shs. 2,500/- towards the above changes. It is believed that a sum of Shs. 70,000/- and over has been spent to create new facilities and amenities of the Club.

The Chairman was again the Chief Guest of the Jaffery Sports Club during the recent Annual Festival Cricket Match. At a luncheon at the Club premises the Chairman of the Federation paid moving tributes to the pioneer of sports in the community. He later launched a Fund Appeal to meet the cost of the realignment of the sports field and readjustment of the existing facilities. A total sum of over Shs. 26,000/- was raised on the spot which included a donation of Shs. 2,500/- from the Supreme Council.

THE MOMBASA JAFFERY PRIMARY SCHOOL ANNUAL SPORTS DAY

The Chairman of the Federation Al-Haj Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer was the Guest of Honour at the Annual Sports Day of the Mombasa Jaffery Primary School held at the Jaffery Sports Club grounds on Saturday the 4th August, 1973 where he distributed prizes and trophies to the successful athletes.

The Chairman of the Federation in reply to the address of welcome assured the Education Board of the Council's concern in the secular education in general and religious education in particular. In order to meet the major deficit in the religious education of the school, the Chairman promised to look into this matter shortly with his colleagues.

UNION SPORTS CLUB

DAR ES SALAAM

The Annual General Meeting of the Union Sports Club was held on 27th January, 1974 and the following office-bearers were elected to take office for the 1974 term:

Mr. Yusufu M. Dhalla —

Sports Secretary/Chairman. — Re-elected.

Mr. Yusuf G. M. Kermali —

Asst. Sports Secretary.

Mr. Mohamed H. Nathoo — Treasurer.

Mr. Akber Panju — Committee Member.

Mr. Ukera Peera — Committee Member.

Mr. Murad M. Kermali — Committee Member

Mr. Amir Yusuf —

Cricket Captain (Sunday League).

Mr. Ibrahim Tejani —

Cricket Captain (Saturday League)

Mr. Husein Dato — Volleyball Captain.

Mr. Liyakat Khimji — Football Captain.

Mr. Saleh Jacksi — Tennis Captain.

Mr. Naushad Kermali — Indoor games captain.

LEAGUE CHAMPION :

The Cricket side of the Union has done extremely well in the League competition 1973 season remaining unbeaten throughout and clinching the League Trophy after a gap of almost 18 years. It has been very encouraging to see the cricket fans coming up on the ground in crowds to cheer the players and giving them all the confidence which has helped them a lot to put up a fight and play the game in an exemplary manner to enable them emerge as the champs.

The winnings were particularly reflected by the excellent captainship of Mr. Amir Yusuf and without forgetting the acrobatic hero Mr. Mohamed Nathoo, and Mahmood Nurmohamed who gave trouble to every bowler and scored practically in every match. Without doubt Mr. Mohamed Nathoo now leads the batting average in the League Table.

SATURDAY LEAGUE :

So far the Club is doing very well in the Saturday League Competition. They have lost only one match so far and are still on top of the table. It is hoped that the players will do all they can to clinch this trophy as well.

NATIONAL CRICKET SIDE :

It is a pleasure to note that the following players from Union side were selected to represent

the Tanzania Side in Cricket match against the visiting M.C.C. Team :-

M/s. Amir Yusuf, Bashir Tejani, Ibrahim Tejani and Mohamed Nurmohamed.

The Union is pleased to put on record the appointment of Mr. Mahmood Nurmohamed as Skipper to lead the National Side against M.C.C. Team.

NIGERIAN TOUR :

Once again Mr. Mahmood Nurmohamed was selected as a captain of Tanzania Side which toured Nigeria to play Test matches. Other Union members selected to represent Tanzania were Amir Yusuf, Bashir Tejani and Ibrahim Tejani. Mr. Aunali Chandoo (not from the Union) was also selected. Tanzania proved its superiority by winning two test matches and drawing one. Ebrahim Tejani with his brilliant score of 97 runs not out in the last match saved the Tanzania side from collapse.

Last year the U.S.C. paid a sports visit to Arusha and played Cricket, Tennis and volleyball. The Union won all the games. It is encouraging to note that Arusha side put up a good fight in cricket but nevertheless they had to bow down to strong Union side.

A Muslim should comprehend the message of the Prophet (S.A.) and except God he should worship none. The status of a man is higher than the rank of Stone, trees, animals, Stars, Moon and Sun as he is the representative of God Almighty who has created the whole Universe. A Muslim should have a staunch belief that God, the Creator of all is the only doer or undoer of things and all events are subject to His will. He is one and has no partner, son or adviser. He is over all and Creator and Lord of all that exists.

A SEMINAR AT ARUSHA

On the 15th of December, 1973, the Golden Crescent group held a seminar at the Tarangire National Park 80 miles away from Arusha. The topic under review was "Let Us Revive Our Community;" and about 55 participants from various Jamats attended.

The seminar was chaired by Haji Mohamed-Ussein M.D. Kermali of Arusha. Following were the guest speakers :-

1. Mr. Asgharali M. M. Jaffer.
2. Mr. Ahmed Haji Ali M. J. Sheriff.
3. Mr. Mohamed G. Dhirani.
4. Mr. Abbas S. Alloo.

The revival, its possibility and methods were simply discussed by the speakers — and various aspects of the problems facing the community were brought to light. Many controversial points were given a competent and detailed treatment. Each speaker was subjected to some probing questions from the participants.

Later on, the participants were divided into groups — each entrusted with a particular subject to discuss and resolve.

HOLY PROPHET (S.A.) SAID :

On the day of judgement a person will not stagger on his feet except when questioned about how he spent his life, how he obtained the wealth of the world and how he spent it and question will be put with regard to the love for my Ahle-Bait.

The following subjects were among some considered at length :-

- (a) The necessity and usefulness of a medium, through which ideas and views could be expressed and put across to the members of our community.
- (b) Understanding our faith in its true perspective, rather than relying on rituals and ceremonies alone.
- (c) Enhancing the intellectual level of youths, by inducing serious studies of various arts and sciences.
- (d) Introducing radical changes in our social customs.
- (e) Meeting the educational demands of our generation in accordance with the present times.

The resolutions recommended by subject-groups were later on adopted by the general assembly and it was decided that through a suitable and constitutional channel, these be conveyed to our Supreme Council.

On the whole, it must be noted, the seminar was a great success. The organizers must be commended for excellent arrangements for meals, accommodation and general comfort of the participants.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ARUSHA JAMAT

MR. AMIR H. K. SOMJI, 12TH CONSTITUTIONAL CONFERENCE

Mr. Chairman, Molwi Saheb, Councillors, Delegates and Honorary guests — Salamun Alaikum.

Since the death of our beloved chairman Haji Mohamedalibhai Meghji this is the first meeting of the Delegates and Councillors, and to pay our humble respect to the departed soul, may I request you all to stand and remember him with Surae Fateha.

The members of Arusha Jamaat, and I wish to thank you for responding to our invitation by agreeing to hold the 12th Constitutional Conference in Arusha.

This meeting to all of us is of great importance and we feel honoured to have been given the opportunity to host it. The last meeting held in Arusha was in 1958. Since then Arusha has undergone a significant change. Through the years, the youths of Arusha have come forward to assume increasingly more responsibilities in running the affairs of the Jamat. With unity and harmony, we feel much has been achieved. Much more remains to be done and given time, this Jamat will see all the desirable changes.

Mr. Chairman, nowadays it is well understood that youths form a useful and energetic part of any community, society or a nation. The more clearly this fact is understood, the more the unity and harmony we shall enjoy. For youths have energies, which if suppressed, find other outlets resulting in actions which hinder not only their own progress, but the progress and development of their community, society and their nation. No wonder Mwalimu Nyerere with his farsightedness thought it fit to create a Ministry to cater for youth activities and culture.

My Jamat, Mr. Chairman, does not propose to table any resolution in this connection. For we believe one or two resolutions may not be conveniently applicable to other Jamats, and as it is we have passed many resolutions which remain ignored by very those who tabled them. It should

suffice at least to be convinced that, we Ithnasheries in this part of the world are happily organised into communities and have a convenient central institution, which can consider ways to bring the intelligent and talented youths of our communities closer together through sports, debates and other cultural activities, so as to develop in them the sense of belonging and pride for the community and make them feel that they are morally obliged to ensure the welfare of this community.

Mr. Chairman, I can well assume that members of other Jamat present here tonight, will join me in my belief that our Council needed pragmatic leadership which could only be expected from a young dedicated person. That you have agreed to take the challenge and responsibilities of this leadership, shows your courage and confidence and let this be a worthy example to all the youths of our community. We pledge our full support and co-operation.

Before, I sit down I should not forget to mention the doubt expressed by those outside Arusha, regarding the ability of my small Jamat in playing host to such a large number of guests. This doubt would have been justified, if only the office bearers of Jamat were to be involved. However Mr. Chairman, I feel extremely proud to say that we extend our invitation to host this meeting only after young and old members of this community unanimously agreed to do so. Whatever arrangements that we have been able to make for the meeting and for the boarding and lodging facilities for the participants, the efforts of not only the office bearers are involved, but moral and material support of our mothers, sisters and brothers are also involved. We all hope you will enjoy our hospitality. All members of my Jamat join me in wishing you Mr. Chairman, and all the Councillors and delegates, a very successful and fruitful deliberation. Your success is our success.

Thank you.

TABLIGH

THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FEDERATION VISITS MACKINNON ROAD SHIA COMMUNITY

The Chairman of the Federation Al-Haj Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer made his first official visit to the Mackinnon Road Shia Community on Sunday the 5th August, 1973 to see for himself the progress made by the Bilal Muslim Mission of Kenya in the spread of the Shia faith. The Chairman was accompanied by the officials of the Kenya Mission along with several well wishers.

During the short visit to the site he addressed the gathering in Swahili. It will be recalled that the villagers were recently supplied with taped water at a cost of Shs. 10,000/-. This facility has been appreciated by the villagers who had previously to walk for considerable distance to fetch water.

THE BILAL MUSLIM MISSION

The Tanzania Mission has sponsored two students from its Temeke Centre for further studies in Shia Theology at Qum, Iran. The students left on 30th June, 1973 for an extensive training. In the mean time two students have returned from Iran after a course of training. A refresher course

has been arranged for these two students before they are posted as full time missionaries.

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

The Chief Missionary of the Bilal Muslim Mission of Tanzania Maulana Syed Saeed Akhtar Rizvi has just released the above book.

The book contains replies to 142 questions which were received by the Mission from 1968 to 1971.

The book is very educative and informative; and at the same time is proving very interesting to our Ithna-asheri youths.

It is a must for every Shia student. The book is priced only Shs. 4/-. Orders for the book should be sent to the Tanzania Mission, Box 20033, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Kenya Mission maintains adequate stock of this book.

The flame of love for the truth makes a man perfect. Poverty and richness are not the factors to be taken into consideration for achieving greatness. Hazrat Ali (A.S.) the hero of Islam in all respects, the bravest of the soldiers of the world whose fighting strength and valour in the battle field is proverbial used to content himself with a loaf of barely the most ordinary and cheapest of the cereals. What elevates a man to the lofty position is the true faith though this material life be the poorest of all.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BILAL MUSLIM MISSION OF TANZANIA 1973

A concise report of the Mission has been prepared by the Secretariat on the strength of the Annual Report of the Mission. A member desiring to have a sight of this detailed report can write to the Mission, Dar es Salaam.

1. THE MANAGING COMMITTEE:

Mr. Haider M. A. Khimji was co-opted as a Committee Member in place of Mr. M. G. Pardhan.

2. MEETINGS:

The Mission held one general meeting, three ordinary and three informal meetings.

3. TRUSTEES:

Haji Kermalli Rajani of Songea was appointed Trustee in place of Mr. M. G. Pardhan.

4. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:

During the first three months when "Masomo Ya Ki-Islam" was introduced the Mission received about 1,000 letters in a month, whilst 406 letters were written during the year giving a detailed reply to several overseas inquiries for masail and history explanation. 195 packets of books were sent out to several countries in Africa and the world over, the expense being Shs. 3,256/75. This does not include the research letters sent out totalling to over 122 questions from 31 correspondents.

5. PUBLICATIONS:

(a) Published:-

1. **Your Questions Answered:** 122 pages, 1,500 copies.
2. **Masomo Ya Ki-Islamu (Kitabu cha Kwanza):** 1,000 copies (cyclostyled), 5,000 copies (off set) 24 pages.
3. **Masomo Ya Ki-Islamu (Kitabu cha Pili: re-set,** 32 pages, 5,000 copies (off-set).
4. **Masomo Ya Ki-Islamu (Kitabu cha Tatu):** 36 pages, 750 copies (Cyclostyled) and re-set for off-set printing (is in press).

5. **Masomo Ya Ki-Islamu (Kitabu cha Nne)** 54 pages 2,000 copies (Cyclostyled).

6. **Kitabu Cha Sala:** 2nd and Revised Edition 104 pages, 3,000 copies.

7. **Kitabu Cha Saumu:** 2nd and Revised Edition 64 pages, 3,000 copies.

8. **Ubora wa Seyyidana Ali (A.S.)** 112 + 7 pages 2,359 copies.

9. **Slavery:** 110 +16 pages, 2,000 copies.

10. **Muhammad Is The Last Prophet:** 117 + 1 pages, 2,000 copies.

11. & 12 **Diniyat:** (English and Gujarati), f Madressas' Standard I and II, 20 pages, 1,250 copies and 40 pages, 1,230 copies respectively.

13. **Family Life:** (Reprinted) 1,000 copies.

(b) In Press:

14. **Music and Its Effects:** by Haji Ahmed Hussein Sheriff.

15. **Why Polygamy Is Allowed in Islam?** By Haji Ahmed Hussein Sheriff, sent to Tehran.

(c) Manuscripts Ready?

16. **Al-Masaelud-Diniyya:** Translated into Swahili by Sheikh Mohamed Ali Ngongabure.

17. **Madhehebu Ya Ki-Islamu:** Translated by S. M. Mehdi, from 'Sects Of Islam' (by S. Akhtar Rizvi).

18. & 19 **Books Of Islamics:** Parts I and II translated into Swahili by S. S. A. Rizvi.

(d) Books checked:

For 'A Group of Muslim Brothers, Tehran'

20. **Fraternity and Co-operation in Islam.**
21. **Anecdotes of Pious Men.**

(e) ARABIC BOOKS CYCLOSTYLED:

The following books were written on stenography by Sheikh Suleman Juma Mahanaka and cyclostyled for Mission's Madressa:-

22. Islam, Deen Wa Hayat, part 1, 32 pages.
 23. Al-Qawaidul-Arabiyyatul-Jadidah, part 1; 19 pages.
 24. Al-Jadid-Fil-Quira-atul-Arabiyya, part 1; 32 pages.

25. Hal Taarifus-Salaah ?; 20 pages.

26. Ma Hiyazzakaah ?; 10 pages.

(f) **Miscellaneous :**

- (1) 15 short articles were sent to Baraza, Nairobi.
 (2) 'Islam' and 'Pork' were re-printed in Tehran, 5,000 copies each.

- (3) Requests were received from Nigeria and Ghana for permission to reprint 'Pork'.

8. MAGAZINES :

- (a) **Light** — 6 issues : 208 pages.
 (b) **Sauti ya Bilal** — 5 issues : 128 pages.
 (c) New mailing lists were prepared for both Magazines; Index cards (Alphabetical as well as town-wise) were prepared.

(d) **Details of the Circulation of Light :**

Other African Countries	73
Tanzania	410
United Kingdom	160
Canada	44
Kenya	178
India	67
Middle East	50
Europe	29
U.S.A.	37
Uganda	8
Pakistan	37
Other Asian Countries	11
TOTAL	1,104

- (e) **Details of the Circulation of Sauti ya Bilal :**
 Tanzania 235; Kenya 107 and Others 44;
 Total 386.

9. MASOMO YA KI-ISLAMU :

This scheme, started at the end of 1972, has proved popular beyond imagination. The position, at the end of the year was as follows :-

ENROLLED :
 Tanzania 2,616; Kenya 113; Uganda 3; Others 5.
 Total 2,737. Applied for enrolment 304. Total 3,041.
 Completed the Course and Awarded Certificates 107.

10. ISLAMIC CORRESPONDANCE COURSE :

There are 202 students taking Islamic Correspondance Course as follows :-

Tanzania	36
Kenya	52
Uganda	11
Pakistan	16
India	26
Europe	49
Others	12

TOTAL 202

11. STUDENTS ABROAD :

- (a) Sheikh Suleiman Juma Mahanaka and Sheikh Abdullah Mohamed Gurangwa were called back from Qum to help in the Mission's work. A special course was conducted for them by the Chief Missionary, from August to November to make them familiar with Qadianism, Bahai'ism and Christianity. Sheikh Suleiman Juma is working at Temeke Madressa, and Sheikh Abdulaah Mohamed has been posted to Songea, in December.
 (b) Mr. Ramadhani Mgwame Mburu and Mr. Is-kaka Abedi Pingili were sent to Dar-ut-Tabligh-e-Islami, Qum, in June.
 (c) Mr. Dhikiri Omari Mohamed Kiondo (now Zakir Ali) has been sent to Tehran for religious studies, under 'A Group of Muslim Brothers'.

12. TEMEKE CENTRE :

- (a) Re-organisation : In November, a 3-year Syllabus was chalked out with the advise of the teachers. Sheikh Suleiman Juma is showing keen interest in development of the Adults Madressa.
 (b) There were 11 boarders at the end of the year.
 (c) Children's Madressa has 58 students.
 (d) Ramadhan and Muharram programmes were held as usual.

13. SONGEA BRANCH :

- (a) Some Sunni Sheikhs were creating trouble in our mosque at Luwawasi, claiming that it was theirs. Though legally they had no right, it was thought advisable to settle the

matter amicably, so that the work would not suffer there. The matter was finalised on 5/11/73.

- (b) Sheikh Abdullah Mohamed Gurangwa has been posted there in December, to replace Sheikh Abdullah Seif, who has now gone to Qum.
- (c) Because of the trouble mentioned above, the number of the students and boarders decreased sharply. Now it is hoped to get new students and boarders.
- (d) The Sheikh teaches at the Government Secondary School, Songea where there are about 200 students.

14. TOURS :

- (a) The Chief Missionary went to Arusha for Muharram. There the following programmes were arranged on 11/2 and 1/2 respectively :
 - 1. Lecture on "Are we Shias ? If yes, should we propagaate our faith to others ?"
 - 2. Open Discussion on "Religious Education for Children, Youth and Elders : What are its problems ? How can they be solved ?"
- (b) On 21/2/73, a lecture was arranged on "Religious Education" at the Moshi Club, at 8.30 p.m.

(c) The Chief Missionary, with Sheikh Mohamed Ali and Mr. Ramadhani MGwame, went to Lushoto on 22/3/73.

- (d) Sheikh Suleman Juma and Sheikh Abdullah Muhammad went to Mombasaa on 31/8/73 to help in the A.S.K. Show of the Kenya Mission.
- (e) The Chief Missionary and the two Sheikh with a group of about 10 elders of the Community, went to Mackinon Road on 2/9/73 where a public meeting was held.
- (f) The Hon. Secretary, during his Ziyarat journey visited various institutions and personalities in Iraq, Iran Lebanon and Pakistan.

15. EXAMINATIONS :

- (a) Annual Religious Examinations of the Madrasahs were held on 13/5/73, in which on 5 Jamats participated.
- (b) The examination for the candidates of the Higher Education Loan was held on 7/4/73 the failed students were re-examined on 27/5/73.

16. VISITS :

A number of leading personalities visited the Temeke Centre to see for themselves the work being undertaken by the Mission.

"With the Keys of religion he (Prophet S.A.) opened the doors of this material world. The Mother earth never procreated a man greater than the Prophet (S.A.). By preachings of Islam the Prophet freed the mankind from the worship of material objects which made them master of all which exists on the earth and with that faith the Muslim became the greatest Conquerer. Except the prophet of Islam no reformer had ever brought such a change in human mind and as such earth cannot produce his equal.

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1. GENERAL :

During the year, hundreds of people of Duruma Tribe accepted our Faith and until todate more than 2,000 people have become Shias.

Mass meetings were called by Chief Yusufu Ibrahim on Sunday at Mackinnon at which meetings scores of people declared their intention to join Shia Ithna-Asheri Faith.

The Chairman of Ithna-Asheri Supreme Council, Al-Haj Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer, attended one of the meetings on Sunday, 5th August, 1974 and saw for himself the work being done there and addressed the meeting in Kiswahili.

Maulana Syed Saeed Akhtar Rizvi, Chief Missionary of Tanzania Mission, also attended one of the mass meetings when hundreds of people accepted Shia Faith. Maulana addressed the meeting in Kiswahili.

More than 40 people of our Community, including Maulana Aqa Hyder Saheb, Maulana Zishan Hyder, Maulana Syed Hassan Naqvi Saheb, among others, visited Mackinnon to see for themselves the progress being made.

2. (a) MAKINNON ROAD BOARDING AND TEACHING FACILITIES :

During the year, a Boarding Madressa was started under the supervision of Sheikh Amiri Mageni who had been seconded by the Tanzania Mission. At the moment, there are twenty boarders.

Sheikh Amiri Mageni teaches the boarders and also teaches at the Primary School in the area. He also visits small villages around Mackinnon to teach those who have already accepted our faith.

Mrs. Amiri Mageni looks after Nursery School Children and Women who have accepted Shia Faith.

Piped water was supplied to Mackinnon Village at a cost of Shs. 9,300/-.

The villagers donated a plot of 15 acres for construction of Mosque, School, etc. which has been approved by the Government.

(b) SAMBURU VILLAGE :

One of the roving Muballighs of Sunni Faith, Sheikh Ali Omar Dima Said (Akber) settled at Mackinnon and then was converted to our faith by Sheikh Amiri Mageni in October, 1973. Sheikh Ali Omar then converted 17 members of his Tribe at Hola and has now been appointed as our Mallim at Samburu.

Sheikh Ali Omar and his younger brother, who had completed seven years in a Sunni Madressa, were sent to Dar es Salaam to learn the basic teachings of our faith and return to Mombasa in Muharram, 1394.

Sheikh Ali Omar (Akber) and Sheikh Ali Mgwame (of Tanzania) have been posted to Samburu where the Sub-Chief of the Area, Mr. Ali Bakari, accepted Shia Faith through the efforts of Sheikh Ali Omar. At the moment, a Boarding Madressa has been established at Samburu where 33 children study. The Mallims also teach Sunni and Shia children at the Primary School at the Sunni Mosque.

3. PROPOSED MOSQUE, SCHOOL AND

MADRESSA AT MACKINNON ROAD :

Now that approval has already been received from the Government to start construction of Mosque and School, work is expected to start soon. The Mosque and the School with all other facilities will cost us about Shs. 400,000/-. It is hoped that members of our Community will come forward and donate generously towards these projects and other activities of the Mission.

4. "ISLAMIC KNOWLEDGE":

A Competition for Students of Secondary Schools throughout the Coast was arranged. Great assistance and co-operation was given in this Competition by the Provincial Education Office, Coast. We propose to organise similar Competitions every year.

5. MOMBASA SHOW:

As usual, the Mission participated in the annual Agriculture Society of Kenya Mombasa Show. The Mission had a semi-permanent Stall at a prominent place in the Show which attracted quite a large crowd.

Maulana Syed Saeed Akhtar Rizvi and Sheikh Suleimani and Abdulla who had just returned from Iran after completing their studies, participated in the Show, Sheikh Suleimani proved highly popular with the masses. Both the Sheikhs visited Mackinnon with Maulana Saheb and delivered speeches. Sheikh Suleimani also addressed members of our Community on the night of 5th Shabaan, 1393.

VISIT OF SHEIKH YUSUF NAFSI:

In the month of Ramadhan, 1393 Sheikh Yusuf Nafsi visited Mombasa and the Mission took the

opportunity to brief him of our activities submitted a written report for onward transmission to Ayatullah Khui.

ASHURA — 1393 OBSERVANCE AT

MACKINNON:

The Ithna-Asheri Young Men's Union Sabile Hussein at Mackinnon Road on Mombasa/Nairobi highway village on Ashura 1393.

There was majlis at Mackinnon starting 9.30 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Marshia was recited Mallim Juma Khamis.

Speeches in Kiswahili in detail were delivered by Mallim Amiri Mageni and Mr. Haji Ali Gul Hussein.

Chief Yusuf Ebrahim then translated speech in Duruma language.

The volunteers of the Union under leadership of Mr. Hassan M. A. T. Kanji and Gulamabbas M. Khakoo gave yoemen service.

3. PROPOSED MOSQUE, SCHOOL AND

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THE KHOJA SHIA ITHNA-ASHERI SUPREME COUNCIL — MOMBASA

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT ON SELECTION FROM HOLY QURAN

The following report compiled by Haji Ahmed Hussein Sheriff, the Convenor of the Sub-Committee appointed for the translation of the selection of ayats from the Holy Quran is being published.

In the last Supreme Council meeting held in Dar es Salaam in 21st April, 1973 a sub-committee of Messrs. Seyyid Saeed Akhtar Rizvi, Hussein A. Rahim, M.B.E., Alimohamed Jaffer Sheriff and Ahmed Hussein Sheriff were elected to undertake the publication of a book of selection of verses from Holy Quran.

The sub-committee promptly commenced the work by first preparing a list under five headings as under, of the 57 subjects to be treated:

USOOLE-E-DEEN :

1. Wujood-e-Ilahi.
2. Tawheed.
3. Adl.
4. Nubuwwat.
5. Imam.
6. Qiyamat.
7. Nubuwwat-e-Mohammad (S.A.W.)
8. Ismate Anbiya.
9. Akhlaq-e-Rasool.
10. Imamate Ali.
11. Fazilate-e-Aeema Isnashar.
12. Imame Zaman.

SIFATE SUBUTIYYA :

13. Hayat.
14. Azaliyyat.
15. Qudrat.
16. Elm.
17. Idrak.
18. Irada wa Ikhtiyar.
19. Takallum.
20. Sidq.

SIFATE SALBIYYA :

21. Rad-e-shirk.
22. Adame Makano Jism.
23. Adame Ihtiyaj.
24. Adame Rooyat.
25. Adame Taghayyoor.

FOROO-E-DEEN :

26. Namaz.
27. Roza.
28. Haj.
29. Zakat.
30. Khums.

31. Jihad.
32. Amra Bil Maroof.
33. Nahya Anil Munkar.
34. Tawalla.
35. Tabarra.

AKHLAQIYYAT :

36. Jabro Ikhtiyar.
37. Imtehan Bala.
38. AlQuran.
39. Husoole ilme wa Dawate Fikr.
40. Tawba wa Istighfar.
41. Hukme Doa.
42. Tarikae Doa.
43. Inkisaro Farotni.
44. Takabbur.
45. Kizb.
46. Sidq.
47. Takiyya ka Hukm.
48. Israf.
49. Bukhl.
50. Khairat.
51. Sharab.
52. Haram Awraten.
53. Zina.
54. Lawata.
55. Khiyanat.
56. Rushwat.
57. Yawme Qiyamat.

Subsequently at least 3-4 verses on each of the above named subjects have been selected from the Quran and compiled with meanings in English. And now the crucial job of writing the comment and explanation on each subject is being done, having so far covered the 12 subjects under Ussol--e-Deen.

It will be appreciated that the work of this kind requires considerable research and scrutiny to ensure authenticity and proper presentation. It is expected that it would take at least another six months before the writing work is completed. It will then have to be scrutinized by the Chief Missionary Maulana Syed Saeed Akhtar Rizvi before the book goes into print.

The Samachar records its appreciation for the enthusiasm and serious effort without which this work would not have progressed so well and reached so far, particularly the efforts put by Mr. Hussein A. Rahim M.B.E. who is devoting his full time and energy in preparing useful explanation and comments on every subject.

THE KHOJA SHIA ITHNA-ASHERI SUPREME COUNCIL — MOMBASA

PROPOSED SALARY SCALE FOR MOLVIES

1. Basic Salary :

Accompanied or unaccompanied with or without a family Shs. 1,200/- p.m.

Gross Salary : Shs. 1,200/- p.m.

2. Metriculation in English :

Shs. 50/- Additional Allowance.

Gross Salary : Shs. 1,250/-.

3. Holder of B.A. in English :

Shs. 100/- Additional Allowance.

Gross Salary : Shs. 1,350/- p.m.

4. Holder of M.A. in English :

Shs. 100/- Additional Allowance.

Gross Salary : Shs. 1,450/-.

PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE :

1. Boarding and Lodging :

Molvies accompanied by their family or not, will have to provide their own meals.

2. Salary and Benefits :

Salary, leave pay and other entitlements is payable only at the place of actual working. For example a molvi serving in Kenya will be paid for in Kenya whilst a molvi serving in Tanzania will be paid for in Tanzania.

A molvi cannot accrue salary or other benefits in Kenya if he is not a legal resident unless he holds an approved Entry Permit issued by the Department of Immigration like visa in Tanzania.

Salary commences from the date of departure from Bombay, India or Karachi, Pakistan and terminates on departure from Dar es Salaam, Tanzania or Mombasa, Kenya.

3. Passage :

Second Class passage from Bombay or Karachi for self and wife (if accompanying). Return: Place of service to Karachi or Bombay. Children's Passage will be borne by the molvi.

4. Additional Travelling Allowance :

Shs. 100/- for unaccompanied and Shs. 200/- for accompanied allowance will be paid from the native town to Bombay or Karachi and vice versa.

5. Leave Pay :

The leave pay will be calculated at thirty days per annum.

6. Increment :

Shs. 40/- per annum for the maximum period of five years.

7. Duration of the Contract :

Two years. Any molvi intending to return before the expiry of the contract will bear his own passage.

8. Medical Treatment :

Will be provided but will not include dental treatment. Maternity allowance limited to Shs. 300/-. Patent medicines will not be included as medicine. Only medicine prescribed by a physician will be borne by the Jamat/Council. The ceiling for medical treatment is Shs. 2,000/- per annum excess to be borne by molvi.

9. Passport :

No allowance would be paid for expenses incurred in obtaining a passport or renewal thereof.

10. Housing :

House free of rent will be provided to Molvi by the Jamat whether accompanied or unaccompanied. Cost of light, water and other fuel to be borne by Molvi.

11. Operation :

The above salary scale will apply to all newly recruited molvies. Current serving molvies will be entitled to the above facilities with effect from 1st January, 1974.

GUIDELINES :

(a) Taxes :

Government levies and other laid down government taxes will be borne by the molvi himself.

(b) Tax Clearance :

Molvies resident in the respective countries will have to obtain their Tax Clearance and Travelling Allowance from the nearest centre where such facilities exist.

(c) Embarkation/Disembarkation :

Molvies serving in Kenya will embark/disembark in Mombasa whilst those serving Tanzania Jamats will embark/disembark at Dar es Salaam.

(d) Maintenance Remittance :

Kenya and Tanzania Government Exchange Control Regulations allow only one-third of the gross accrued salary to be sent as a maintenance/savings the balance of which can be repatriated at the time of departure as Immigration Treatment provided the molvi leaves country permanently.

(e) Bank Account :

Molvies are requested to immediately open a Savings Bank Account on their arrival. In the

event of a transfer the molvi will wind up the account from one town and operate a second one at the next town where he would then actually reside. No molvi should leave any credit balance in his account if his departure is permanent.

(f) Laws of the Country :

Molvies are advised strictly to adhere to the laws of the country particularly Exchange Control Regulations and Immigration. Any violation will render the molvi himself personally responsible for the consequences.

(g) Excise Duty and Personal Effects :

The Council will not pay for any excise duty imposed by the Custom Authorities in Kenya or Tanzania. Personal clothings and reading books are exempted from excise duty. Molvies are advised in their own interest to carry as less personal effects as possible. There is no need to bring along with them blankets, mattresses or pillows from Bombay or Karachi since these are being provided for by the Jamat.

(h) Hukuk/Gifts :

Molvies are requested not to solicit for Khums (Hukuk) or gifts from Jamats either for himself or for anyone else apart from the agreed salary.

(i) Visi :

Jamat may assist in getting a visi but the cost thereof will be borne by the Molvi. It is estimated that a normal visi of three meals per day may cost to Molvi Saheb between Shs. 300/- to Shs. 350/- per month.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATION BOARD FOR 1973

(1) The Chairman of the Board :

As a result of the sad demise of the Chairman of the Federation Murabbi Haji Mohamedalibhai Meghji, in early June, 1973 the Chairman of the Board, Al-Haj Mulla Asgharali M. M. Jaffer on his assuming the position of the Chairman of the Chairman of the Federation retired from his executive position as the Chairman of the Board and instead the succeeding Vice-Chairman of the Federation, Murabbi Haji Hussein Nasser Walji was appointed as the Chairman of the Board for the remaining period.

(2) Members of the Board :

As a result of the exodus from Uganda, four members of the Board who were representing Uganda had to be replaced. The late Chairman of the Federation acting with the advice of the Education Board appointed the following members to the Board:-

1. Dr. Bashir A. Dato of Dar es Salaam University.
2. Mr. Mohamedraza A. Dato of Nairobi.
3. Dr. Abdul M. H. Sheriff of Dar es Salaam University.
4. Dr. Ahmed H. M. Valji of Dar es Salaam University.
5. Dr. Mohamedraza A. Karim of Mombasa.

The above appointments were made with a view to obtain expert educational guidance, since most of the new members of the Board are graduates and experienced in educational matters.

(3) Composition of Members :

The following are the members of the Board from Tanzania and Kenya who determine and recommend the awards of education loans :-

TANZANIA :

Mr. Abbas S. Alloo	— Dar es Salaam.
Mr. Bashir A. S. Versi	— Dar es Salaam.
Mr. Roshanali Lalji	— Mwanza
Mr. Mohamedhussein B. Versi	— Lindi
Mr. Ali H. Sheriff	— Arusha
Mr. Mohamedali I. Dharamsi	— Zanzibar
Mr. Mohamed G. M. Dhirani	— Dar es Salaam.
Dr. Ahmed H. Walji	— Dar es Salaam.
Dr. Bashir A. Dato	— Dar es Salaam.
Dr. Abdul H. Sheriff	— Dar es Salaam.

KENYA :

Mr. Mohamedraza A. Dato	— Nairobi
Mr. Mohamedraza A. Jagani	— Mombasa.
Mr. Hassan A. M. Jaffer	— Mombasa.
Mr. Abbas H. M. Nasser	— Mombasa.
Mr. Mohamedjaffer H. G. Khaki	— Mombasa.
Dr. Mohamedraza A. Karim	— Mombasa.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD :

Haji Hussein Nasser — Dar es Salaam.

Meeting of the Board :

The Board held two full session meetings during 1973. One being during April and the second in July, 1973. Both full session meetings were held in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

The Secretariat convened a meeting of the Board on 16th November, 1973 to consider two urgent applications for award of loans and review the past minutes of the Board.

(4) Approved Loans

During 1973 the following were awarded loans to pursue further studies either abroad or locally.

NAME	COURSE	VENUE	Amount	DURATION
1. Mr. Nassirddin Hassan Ukeru	— Tailoring	ITALY	5,000/-	5 months
2. Mr. Shabbir Hassanali Merali	— H.S.C.	MOMBASA	1,800/-	2 years
3. Mr. Murtaza Ahmed Dungersi	— H.S.C.	MOMBASA	2,000/-	2 years
4. Mr. Murtaza Mohamedali Visram	— H.S.C.	MOMBASA	1,200/-	2 years
5. Mr. Shabbirali A. Alidina	— B.Sc. Eng.	NAIROBI	3,000/-	3 years
6. Mr. Noorali Mohamed Nasser	— A.C.A.	ENGLAND	3,000/-	1 year
7. Mr. Makboolmohamed K. Abdulla	— Dentistry	INDIA	3,000/-	5 years
8. Mr. Iqbal Ebrahim Janmohamed	— Eng.	CANADA	6,000/-	1 year
9. Mr. Mehdi Sherali Meghji	— M. Com.	NAIROBI	6,000/-	2 years
10. Mr. Muntazir Kassamali Hirji	— A.C.A.	NAIROBI	2,700/-	1 year
11. Mr. Mohamedraza A. Mohamedhusein	— B.Sc. Eng.	INDIA	3,000/-	5 years
12. Mr. Naushad A. Mohamedhusein	— B.Sc. Eng.	INDIA	3,000/-	5 years
13. Mr. Mehboob Fidahusseini Khaki	— Medicine	INDIA	2,800/-	6½ years
14. Mr. Shaukat Fidahusseini Khaki	— B. Com.	INDIA	2,800/-	4 years
15. Mr. Salim Jaffer Ali Gulamali	— H.S.C.	NAIROBI	5,135/-	2 years
16. Mr. Shabir A. H. Chatoo	— A.C.A.	MOMBASA	3,500/-	4 years
17. Mr. Shabbar M. H. Chatoo		MOMBASA	3,500/-	4 years
18. Mr. Sajjad M. Versi	— H.S.C.	NAIROBI	2,800/-	2 years
19. Mr. Mohamed Aliraza Kaka	— Radio, T.V.	MOMBASA	2,800/-	6 months
20. Mr. Hassan Amir Ali Janmohamed	— Medicine	INDIA	4,800/-	2 years
21. Mr. Gulamabbas A. Jivraj	— Civil Eng.	ENGLAND	6,000/-	3 years
22. Mr. Munaver Ali R. Karim	— Tailoring	INDIA	9,000/-	1½ years

Observations :

Of the 22 approved loans only 9 could avail themselves of the loan facilities. That are Nos. 3, 5, 10, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22. The rest of the applicants have not exactly decided their future plans nor have they intimated the Secretariat of their stand. Since the time given to each student to utilise the loan facilities has lapsed, the Secretariat has treated the approved loans as cancelled.

(5) Progress Reports :

The Council's Secretariat has met with unprecedented difficulties from certain students who refused to furnish progress reports for one reason or the other. In one case the Council had to cancel

the loan facilities. A number of students under the Council's Education Loan are showing good progress as evident from the periodic reports being furnished to the Council.

(6) Repayment of the Education Loans :

During the year the Council recovered a sum of Shs. 79,826/55 as repayment from the students. The repayment compares favourably with the estimate of Shs. 50,000/-. A number of students have been making handsome repayment with a view to liquidating the loan as early as possible. A full chart showing the position of repayment as at 31st December, 1973 is annexed. The total outstanding against the students as at 31st December, 1973 stands at Shs. 712,272.95.

The following completed their repayments during the year under review :

1. Mr. Ashiqali M. Kermalli	— Shs. 8,250.00
2. Mr. Amirali A. Hirji	— Shs. 11,938.25
3. Mr. Gulamabbas M. Alibhai	— Shs. 1,450.00
4. Dr. Mohd'aziz A. Suleman	— Shs. 18,619.10
5. Mr. Murtaza M. R. Merali	— Shs. 2,655.00
6. Mr. Mohd'husein S. Dhalla	— Shs. 6,880.00
7. Mr. Mohamed A. Karim	— Shs. 8,043.00
8. Mr. Moh'djaffer M. Panju	— Shs. 759.00
9. Mr. Nisarhusein Sherally	— Shs. 10,676.95

(7) Donations :

The following donations were received during the year :-

1. R. G. Datto Charity Trust	Shs. 3,000.00
2. Newala Jamat	Shs. 366.50
3. Mr & Mrs. Pirbhai Visram, C.T.	Shs. 3,845.20
4. Marhum Sheraly Meghji	Shs. 150.00
5. Monthly	Shs. 520.00
6. General	Shs. 255.00

TOTAL Shs. 8,136.70

(8) Religious Examination :

The Chief Missionary of the Bilal Muslim Mission of Tanzania Maulana Syed Saeed Akhtar

Rizvi conducted two religious examinations for students applying for loan facilities. The second examination was held on 10th October 1973, in which only one student had passed the examination, the rest having failed to satisfy the examiner of their basic religious knowledge.

(10) Conclusion :

The Secretariat still feels that a number of parents do not give fair assessment to their income so as to enable the Education Board to assess the applications on their merits. This tendency has greatly impaired our competence to deal with the applications. The Secretariat has decided that in the cases where applicants have proved to have furnished incorrect or incomplete information, the approved loan will be suspended or stopped and the amount paid for will be recoverable immediately.

(9) Short Courses :

The Secretariat expresses its sincere thanks to Messrs. Ali H. Sheriff and Abbas S. Alloo for composing the addresses of the Short Course available locally and abroad. The booklet is shortly to be released and will be sold for Shs. 5/- each.

(10) Thanks :

The Secretariat expresses its thanks to all the donors and members of the Board who have put untiring efforts in ensuring the success of the deliberations of the Board's affairs. We say "asanto sana" to one and all for the valued co-operation and assistance rendered to the Council during the year under review.

—SECRETARIAT

REPAYMENT OF EDUCATION LOAN FROM STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED THEIR STUDIES OR STILL STUDYING

Position as at 31st December, 1973

Name of the Student	Total Loan	Repaid	Balance	Remarks
Asgharali B. Bhanji — Dr.	17,062.80	7,650.00	9,412.80	Repays regularly @ Shs. 200/- p.m.
Abdulrasul M. A. Hirji — Dr.	20,412.75	3,300.00	17,112.75	Repays regularly @ Shs. 150/- p.m.
Anverali L. Meghji — Dr.	16,522.10	3,800.00	12,722.10	Repays regularly @ Shs. 200/- p.m.
Ahmed G. Janmohamed	12,993.50	8,447.00	4,546.50	He is in arrears. No payment received
Abdulrazak H. A. Khalfan	5,616.00	4,200.00	1,416.00	He is in arrears. Does not respond.
Asafali M. G. Abdulla	6,616.25	5,246.80	1,369.45	He is in arrears.
Abbasa H. Sachoo	10,193.70	—	10,193.70	Still studying.
Asgharali M. Tejani	5,305.00	3,450.00	1,855.00	He is in arrears.
Ali Hassan Rashid	18,519.20	1,793.95	16,725.25	Only Shs. 300/- paid during 1973.
Abdulrazak Sheriff Fazal	5,876.35	900.00	4,976.35	He is in arrears.
Ali Asghar Jaffer Dewji	1,500.00	150.00	1,350.00	Does not respond despite appeals.
Aziz Hussein N. Fazal	4,465.10	—	4,465.10	Still studying.
Ahmed Gulamali Jamal Virji	7,769.00	400.00	7,369.00	Just started repaying @ 100/- p.m.
Akberali Yusufali A. Madan	10,004.60	—	10,004.60	Still studying.
Amirali H. K. Chandoo	5,857.35	950.00	4,907.35	Still studying Repays @ Shs. 50/- p.m.
Amirali H. Remtulla Rawji	4,298.95	—	4,298.95	Still studying — Medicine.
Amir Gulamabbas Gangji	11,443.45	50.00	1,393.45	He is in arrears. Responds poor.
Anverali Jaffer Ali Alibhai	5,480.00	—	5,480.00	Still studying — Engineering.
Aarifhussein K. Abdulla	6,080.00	—	6,080.00	Still studying — Engineering.
Bashir H. Juma Mamdani	16,481.40	—	16,481.40	Does not respond.
Bashir Gulamali Dewji	5,535.30	—	5,535.30	Still studying.
Dr. G. H. J. Mamdani	11,937.10	4,042.70	7,894.40	Only Shs. 400/- paid in 1973.
Gulamabbas G. Mussa	8,419.00	4,080.00	4,339.00	He is in arrears.
Dr. Gulamabbas N. Merali	21,063.55	—	21,063.55	Just finished studies.
Gulamabbas H. J. Manek	20,370.00	3,750.00	16,620.00	Repays @ Shs. 250/- p.m.
Gulamali Ismail Rai	19,176.00	7,176.00	12,000.00	He is in arrears.
Gulamhaider M. Bhimji	950.00	175.00	775.00	No response, currently in Pakistan.
Gulamabbas H. M. Najfi	4,177.00	2,148.00	2,029.00	Approach made without response.

29.	Gulamabbas K. Sheriff	2,875.00	865.00	2,010.00	Repays @ Shs. 25/- p.m.
30.	Gulamabbas A. Merchant	6,014.05	—	6,014.05	Still studying.
31.	Gulamabbas Ali Jivraj	1,500.00	—	1,500.00	Still studying.
32.	Gulamabbas Abdulla Kassam	3,600.00	—	3,600.00	Still studying.
33.	Hassanali M. Kermalli	5,233.80	—	5,233.80	Does not respond.
34.	Hussein R. Meghji	2,720.00	1,400.00	1,320.00	He is in arrears.
35.	Hussein M. S. Dhirani	16,463.00	4,500.00	11,963.00	He is in arrears.
36.	Hussein G. M. Kermalli	5,485.85	5,059.00	426.85	Repays @ 50/- p.m.
37.	Hussein Habib A. Panju	10,108.50	—	10,108.50	Still studying.
38.	Hussein Habib Peera	8,353.35	3,500.00	4,853.35	He is in arrears.
39.	Hassan A. Jeraj	13,524.60	3,360.00	10,164.60	Repays @ 150/- p.m.
40.	Hussein A. Dungersi	5,061.70	—	5,061.70	Still studying.
41.	Haji H. A. Dewji	8,000.00	900.00	7,100.00	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
42.	Ibrahim H. J. Mamdani	12,503.75	5,400.00	7,103.75	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
43.	Dr. Ibrahim M. A. Nasser	11,134.50	—	11,134.50	Still studying.
44.	Ibrahim Abbas R. Tejani	5,850.45	1,000.00	4,850.45	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
45.	Iqbal Jaffer Karim	15,020.75	—	15,020.75	Still studying.
46.	Inayat Akber C. Habib	4,500.00	—	4,500.00	Still studying.
47.	Iqbal A. K. Dhanji	11,169.40	—	11,169.40	Still studying.
48.	Jaffer M. Kermalli	16,215.00	10,000.00	6,215.00	Repays @ Shs. 500/- p.m.
49.	Jaffer R. M. J. Hameer	14,696.85	1,800.00	12,896.85	He is in arrears.
50.	Kurbanhussein J. Pardhan	6,737.98	2,260.00	4,477.98	Repays @ Shs. 20/- p.m.
51.	Kassamali A. Parpia	13,100.95	—	13,100.95	Still studying.
52.	Liaqat R. G. Moledina	3,664.20	50.00	3,614.20	Does not respond.
53.	Dr. Murtaza D. Mohamed	19,904.75	6,642.25	13,262.50	Whereabouts not known
54.	Dr. Mohamed N. M. Nasser	24,326.35	7,000.00	17,326.35	Repays @ Shs. 200/- p.m.
55.	Mohamedraza J. P. Hirji	6,459.25	2,800.00	3,659.25	He is in arrears. 400/- paid in 197
56.	Mohamed Jaffer Mawji	2,655.25	—	2,655.25	All efforts him to repay has failed
57.	Mohamedraza J. Sheriff	17,208.15	11,208.15	6,000.00	Repays @ Shs. 250/- p.m.
58.	Mohamed Iqbal P. H. Rahim	8,396.15	4,343.25	4,052.90	He is in arrears. 600/- paid in 197
59.	Dr. Moh'drafiq H. R. Alidina	18,858.45	—	18,858.45	Still studying.
60.	Mohamedali A. Rai	10,041.65	4,685.45	5,356.20	Repays @ Shs. 200/- p.m.
61.	Murtaza G. M. Kermalli	6,202.75	5,441.90	760.85	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
62.	Muradali M. F. Rashid	16,174.05	300.00	15,874.05	No payment received during 1973.
63.	Mohamedhussein H. Rajabali	7,622.75	3,895.55	3,727.20	Repays @ Shs. 150/-p.m.
64.	Mohamed Aliraza Kaka	6,700.00	—	6,700.00	Does not respond.
65.	Murtaza Gulamali Dewji	8,451.25	3,000.00	5,451.25	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.

6.	Mazahir M. A. Dewji	5,987.50	2,000.00	3,987.50	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
7.	Dr. Mohamed Yusuf Fazal	8,254.00	300.00	7,954.00	Has just started repaying.
8.	Mahmood M. A. Nasser	4,432.20	350.00	4,082.20	He is in arrears. Not regular.
9.	Murtaza A. G. Dharsi	4,843.30	—	4,843.30	Does not respond.
10.	Mohamedraza A. G. Dharsi	5,633.35	895.35	4,738.00	Does not respond due to health problem.
11.	Mohamed M. A. Champsi	3,623.00	300.00	3,323.00	Does not respond.
12.	Maqbool M. Ladak	3,000.00	—	3,000.00	Does not respond.
13.	Mohsin K. Dhanji	6,118.20	—	6,118.20	Still studying.
14.	Mohamed Pyarali Bhaloo	7,304.00	—	7,304.00	Still studying.
15.	Mahmood H. N. Fazal	4,000.00	1,200.00	2,800.00	Repays @ Shs. 50/- p.m.
16.	Mussadique Jaffer Ladak	10,400.00	—	10,400.00	Still studying.
17.	Mazahir M. H. Kermalli	8,000.00	—	8,000.00	Still studying.
18.	Mohamed H. Bachoo	4,836.00	—	4,836.10	Requested to start repayment.
19.	Mohamed M. G. Nazerali	3,200.00	—	3,200.00	Still studying.
20.	Mazahir Muslim C. Habib	4,331.00	—	4,331.00	Still studying.
21.	Mohamed K. Hirji	3,862.00	—	3,862.00	Still studying.
22.	Murtaza A. Dungersi	2,000.00	—	2,000.00	Still studying.
23.	Muntazir Kassamali Hirji	1,350.00	—	1,350.00	Still studying.
24.	Dr. Najaf H. H. Juma	15,852.40	6,000.00	9,852.40	Repays regularly.
25.	Naushad A. Kassamali	4,623.00	—	4,623.00	Still studying.
26.	Nizarali Y. Alloo	3,750.00	150.00	3,600.00	Requested to start repayment.
27.	Razahussein N. Sumar	17,309.85	5,618.45	11,691.40	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
28.	Roshan Hussein Alimohamed	9,100.00	—	9,100.00	Still studying.
29.	Shaukatali K. Bhimji	650.00	300.00	350.00	All efforts him to repay has failed.
30.	Sherally R. Mamdani	28,718.20	7,800.00	20,918.20	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
31.	Shabbir S. G. Abdulrasul	6,198.30	3,750.00	2,448.30	Repays @ Shs. 250/- p.m.
32.	Safdar A. Jaffer Dewji	7,081.20	5,000.00	2,081.20	Requested to start repayment.
33.	Shabbir M. W. Hasham	9,681.80	—	9,681.80	Just returned. Requested to repayme
34.	Shiraz M. A. Rasool	3,876.45	150.00	3,726.45	Still studying.
35.	Sikander Ali M. F. Rashid	5,654.50	—	5,654.50	Still studying.
36.	Shokat G. Jaffer	2,893.65	—	2,893.65	Does not respond.
37.	Shabbir Abdulhussein Karim	7,876.00	—	7,876.00	Still studying.
38.	Shabbir R. G. Moledina	3,288.10	—	3,288.10	Left studies.
39.	Shabbir Y. H. A. Nathoo	4,100.00	—	4,100.00	Still studying.
40.	Shabbir A. G. Khaku	3,615.00	—	3,615.00	Still studying.
41.	Shabbir M. R. Walji	4,055.00	—	4,055.00	Still studying.

102.	Sultanali H. Alimohamed	7,255.00	—	7,255.00	Still studying.
103.	Salim Jaffer Ali Gulamali	4,878.00	—	4,878.00	Still studying.
104.	Sajjad Mohamedtaki Versi	2,800.00	—	2,800.00	Still studying.
105.	Shabbir A. F. Alidina	1,500.00	—	1,500.00	Still studying.
106.	Taha M. G. Dharsi	6,128.65	300.00	5,828.65	Repays @ Shs. 100/- p.m.
107.	Dr. Yusuf Sheriff Khalfan	11,750.00	2,300.00	9,450.00	Repays @ Shs. 150/- p.m.
108.	Zulfikar M. H. Shermoh'd	6,237.15	900.00	5,337.15	Repays @ Shs. 150/- p.m.
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