



SOUTH AFRICAN MUSLIM CHARITABLE TRUST

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Message from the Chairman

THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT THAT THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC CRASH IN 2008/09 HAS IMPACTED SIGNIFICANTLY ON THE ALREADY COMPLEX AND CHALLENGING SOCIO-ECONOMIC CIRCUMSTANCES FACING THE POOREST OF THE POOR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

There can be no doubt that the global economic crash in 2008/09 has impacted significantly on the already complex and challenging socio-economic circumstances facing the poorest of the poor in South Africa.

With the social problems besetting this country worsening in the face of the prevailing arduous economic conditions, available resources have become increasingly stretched. This testing operating environment means that today's non-profit organisations, such as the South African Muslim Charitable Trust (SAMCT), are becoming increasingly forced to make extremely difficult strategic choices about how and where to apply the funds at their disposal for maximising social and economic empowerment at all levels of society.

In essence, we face the unenviable task of giving due and objective consideration to our

distinctive societal role when considering our options and choices in the sincere quest to better serve the public interest and common good effectively and with integrity.

We, of the SAMCT are therefore - solely by the Grace of Almighty God - most thankful to be in a position to sincerely serve a wide-range of deserving causes within the critical areas of education, health, social development and poverty alleviation. Our overriding objective is to improve the socio-economic circumstances of the poor and needy and to give people back their basic human dignity by way of direct involvement in wide-ranging community upliftment and sustainability programmes of genuine empowerment and upliftment.

We acknowledge that our humble efforts are but a small contribution, given the enormity of prevailing development backlogs and critical

needs, in the light of ongoing socio-economic issues of importance. However, we trust that our humble efforts make a real and lasting difference to people and organisations by empowering and transforming their lives and, thus, creating for them an opportunity to realise their full potential as human-beings and, thereby, achieve excellence.

As was stated by the noble Prophet Muhammad (May Peace Be Upon Him): "The best of mankind are those who (selflessly) benefit other human-beings."

Mr Mahomed Shoaib Omar
Chairman

About the Trust

THE SOUTH AFRICAN MUSLIM CHARITABLE TRUST (SAMCT) WAS ORIGINALLY ESTABLISHED BY AL BARAKA BANK, OLD MUTUAL AND CHANNEL ISLAM INTERNATIONAL (CII) HOLDINGS IN 2008.

Its purpose was to provide a meaningful conduit for the provision of funding assets, services and other resources to approved public benefit organisations.

Since its inception, the Trust has made significant donations towards poverty alleviation, empowerment and community upliftment in pursuit of its primary goal; that

of contributing appreciably to the betterment of the lives of South Africa's deprived, poverty stricken and historically disadvantaged communities.

Funds for which the SAMCT is responsible are distributed in such a manner as to improve the health, education and socio-economic development of people, irrespective of race

or religion.

In working to achieve the objectives and goals set by the organisation, the SAMCT acts independently or will, with regard to especially identified projects, partner with reputable organisations to ensure that funding or donated aid satisfactorily reaches the deserving recipients it exists to serve.

Scope of our Activities

THE SAMCT ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTES MUCH-NEEDED RESOURCES IN FOUR PRIMARY SECTORS, NAMELY:

- Education;
- Health;
- Social Development; and
- Poverty alleviation.



Corporate Governance

THE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN MUSLIM CHARITABLE TRUST COMPRISE REPUTABLE AND RENOWNED MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY.

These individuals have a vast knowledge and experience to achieve the organisation's goals.

The Trust operates on a non-profit basis for purely philanthropic purposes in line with Islamic principles. It actively identifies deserving causes for its support in the fields of health, education, disaster relief,

poverty alleviation and skills training.

Applications are subject to a stringent screening process wherein all facts are verified and, thereafter, presented to the members at formal quarterly committee meetings for consideration.

Meet the Trustees

THE MEMBERS OF THE SAMCT COMPRISE RESPECTED AND DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY WHO, COLLECTIVELY, POSSESS EXTENSIVE BUSINESS KNOWLEDGE AND WHO, INDIVIDUALLY, HAVE A GREAT UNDERSTANDING OF AND EMPATHY FOR THE PLIGHT OF THOSE IN NEED IN SOUTH AFRICA. TOGETHER, THEY ARE WHOLLY-COMMITTED TO USING THEIR EXPERIENCE TO ENSURING THAT THE TRUST MEETS ITS OBJECTIVES AND CONTINUOUSLY MAKES A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF THOSE IT EXISTS TO SERVE.

Mr Mahomed Shoaib Omar
Chairman
(Appointed 2008)

Author and attorney, Advocate Mahomed Shoaib Omar obtained his LLB from the University of KwaZulu-Natal and specialises in corporate law, litigation and Shariah law, including employing his special expertise in succession, estate planning, family law and Islamic finance.

Mr Shabir Chohan
Trustee
(Appointed 2008)

He is currently a Director and Chief Executive of Al Baraka Bank in South Africa, a position he has held since 2004.

Mufti Zubair Bayat
Trustee
(Appointed 2008)

Founder and current Director of the Darul-Ihsan Islamic Services Centre, he is the founder, former Principal and Ameer of the Zakariyya Muslim School. He has a Master's degree in Islamic Studies from RAU (cum laude).

Mr Faried Boltman
Trustee
(Appointed 2010)

He is an Old Mutual Unit Trust Investment Operations Manager and has some 30 years experience in the Unit Trust industry.

Mr Hamza Farooqui
Trustee
(Appointed 2008)

He is the founding member of CII Holdings (Pty) Ltd and has a degree in Commerce from the University of Witwatersrand.

Abdool Gaffoor Suliman Osman
Trustee
(Appointed 2013)

He is a Chartered Accountant and the Director of a number of companies and is a Council Member of the University of KwaZulu-Natal.

Select Project Profiles

IN SETTING OUT TO ACHIEVE ITS GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, THE SAMCT WILL, FROM TIME-TO-TIME, PARTNER WITH REPUTABLE ORGANISATIONS TO ENSURE THAT ITS DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS REACH IDENTIFIED AND DESERVING RECIPIENTS.

The Trust works diligently to support deserving causes with its direct and active interventions in its identified fields of operation. Applications for such support are subject to a stringent screening process, through which information supplied to it is verified before being presented to Members

at formal SAMCT committee meetings for consideration. Below are detailed a selection of projects supported by the SAMCT across its fields of operation.



Category Education
Project Name TIBA-Services for the Blind Remedial Centre
Location Lenasia
Value R376 476
Description Construction of three classrooms for special needs Grade R learners



Category Education
Project Name Addington Primary School
Location Durban - South Beach
Value R110 000
Description Refurbishment of the School library and hall



Category Education
Project Name Sinevuso
Location Ixopo - KwaZulu-Natal
Value R200 000
Description Fully-equipped container-based computer lab for disadvantaged learners from a remote school, deep in rural KwaZulu-Natal



Category Health
Project Name Malukazi Clinic
Location Malukazi - South of Durban
Value R2 200 000
Description The SAMCT, in conjunction with the IMA, sponsored a clinic for the impoverished community of Malukazi ([click here to view video](#))



Category Education/Social Upliftment
Project Name Noorder Paarl Skool
Location Paarl - Cape Town
Value R403 444
Description The school is a non-fee paying school with more than 1 000 learners from severely disadvantaged backgrounds. The project upgraded three primary walking, parking and eating areas



Category Education
Project Name Joostenburg Primary School
Location Durbanville - Cape Town
Value R400 000
Description Sponsorship of two classrooms at a disadvantaged school situated in an outlying region of Durbanville



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Category Health
Project Name Mowbray Maternity Hospital
Location Mowbray - Cape Town
Value R500 000
Description Sponsorship of a life-saving echo cardio machine for premature babies born with defects



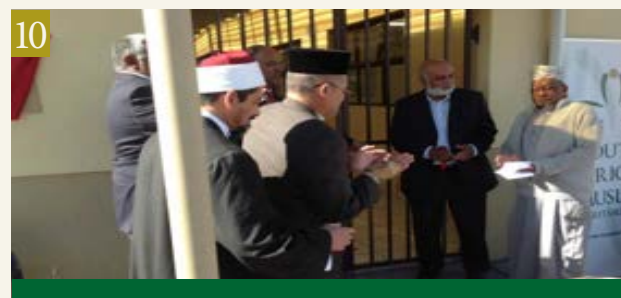
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Category Health
Project Name CANSA-SA
Location KwaZulu-Natal
Value R460 000
Description Mobile health clinic to provide cancer screening facilities for the benefit of rurally-based communities in KwaZulu-Natal



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Category Welfare
Project Name Jhb Institute for Social Services - JISS
Location Gauteng
Value R125 000
Description Donation of a vehicle to facilitate the delivery of social services and, especially, child protection services



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Category Education
Project Name Al Azhar
Location Athlone - Cape Town
Value R2 500 000
Description Sponsorship of six classrooms



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Category Welfare
Project Name Malukazi Creche
Location Malukazi - KwaZulu-Natal
Value R100 000
Description Donation of R100 000 towards the completion of the building of the creche



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Category Education
Project Name Petra Gedenk
Location Breerivier - Cape Town
Value R262 000
Description Sponsorship of two classrooms

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE SAMCT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

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SAMCT Establishment

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