

# Ending Disparities

Annual Report 2019-2020



**Our Vision:**

Awaz envisages a democratic, prosperous and peaceful society where everybody enjoys rightful spaces and choices of life.

**Mission:**

Awaz aims to catalyze the integrated and innovative solution which foster action and change for securing the future of our generation.

**Values:**

Integrity and Excellence  
Dignity  
Accountability  
Collaboration  
Creativity

**Our thematic areas:**

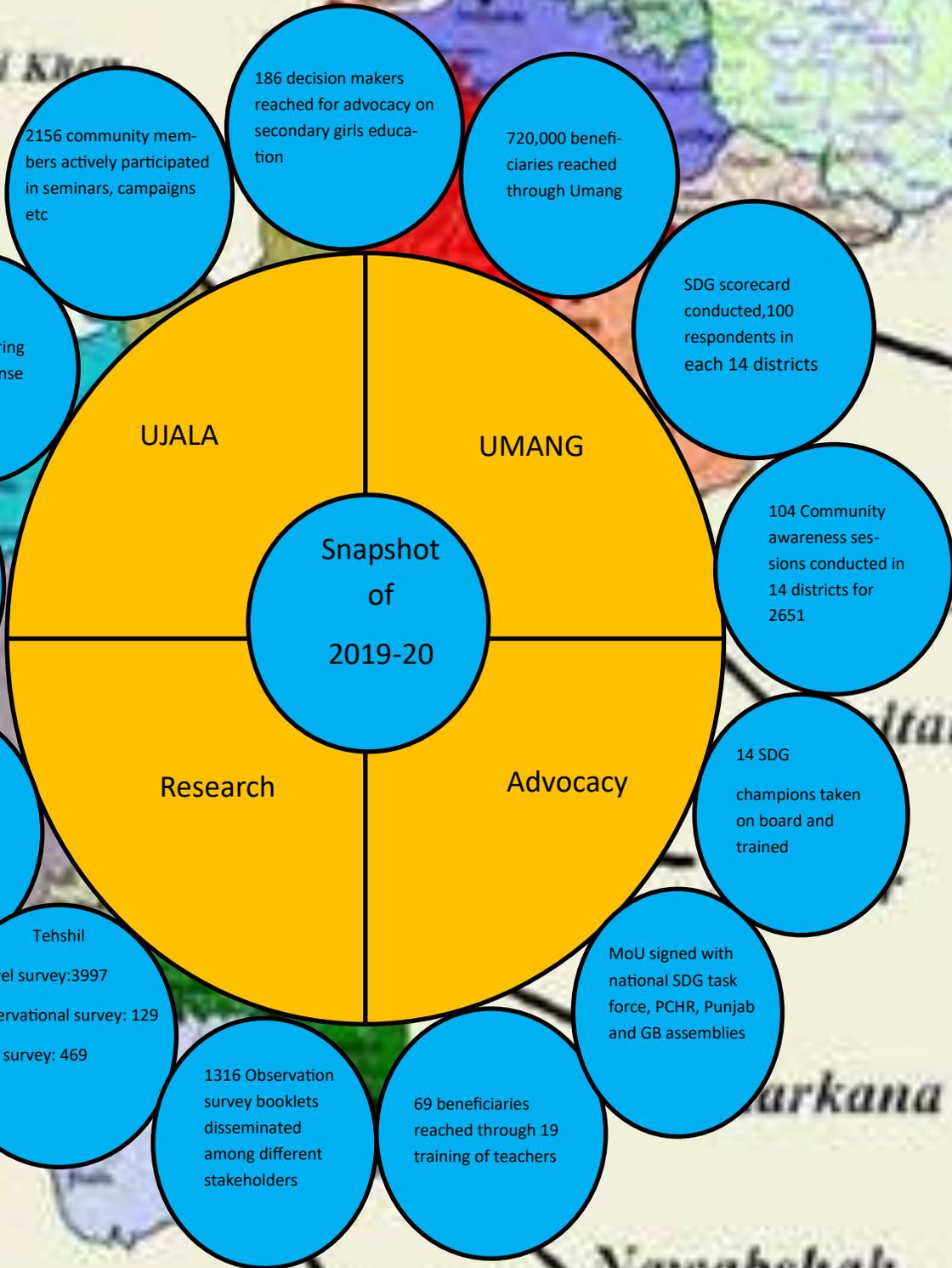
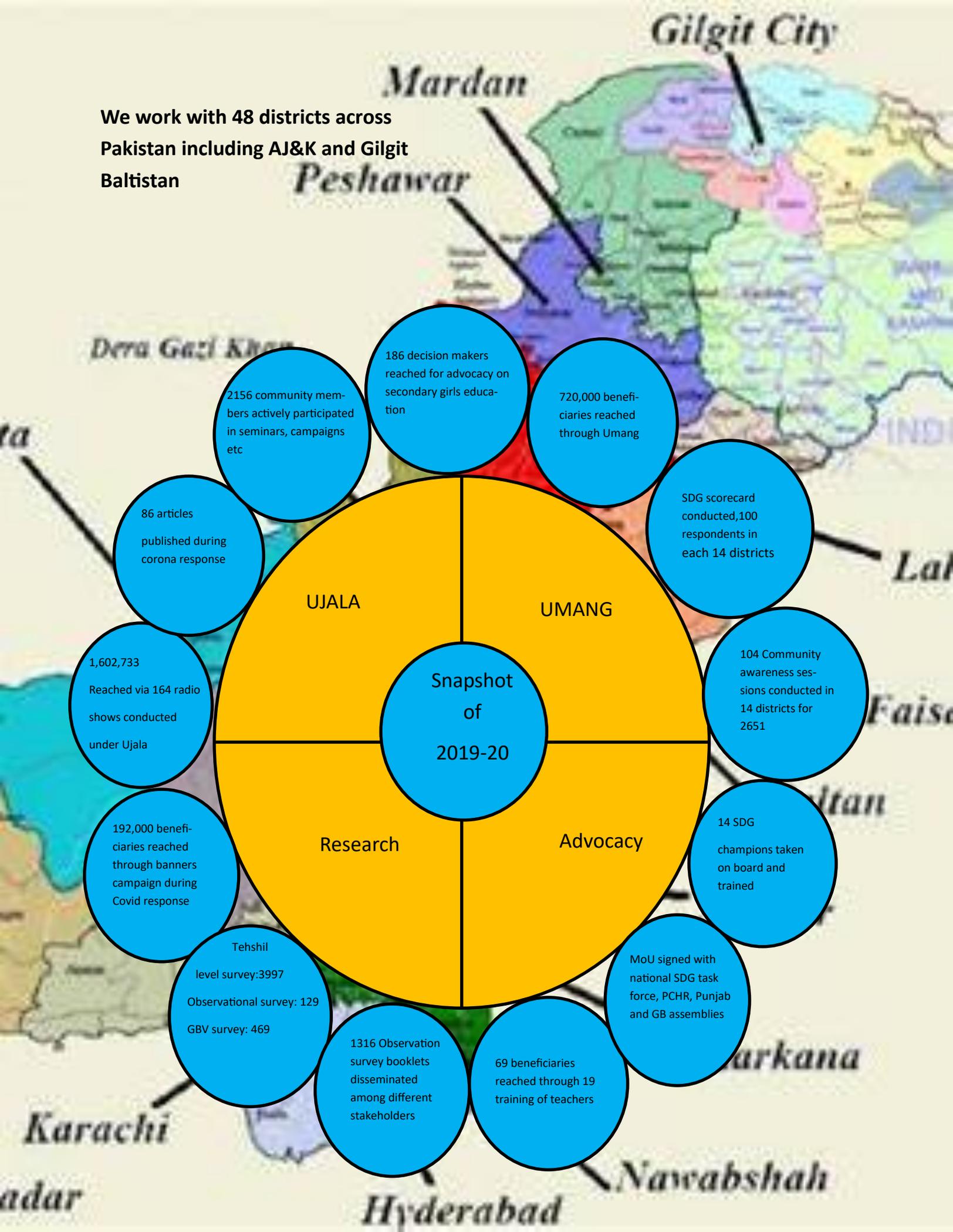
Education programme  
Health programme  
Environment and Climate Justice programme  
Peace Building and Conflict Resolution  
Gender, Governance and Accountability

In 2020, Awaz Foundation Pakistan worked with 48 district partners around Pakistan to :

Create awareness  
among **720,010**  
around importance  
of secondary girl  
education

Mobilized **454,245**  
people to raise voice  
for sexual and repro-  
ductive health rights  
of young people

**We work with 48 districts across Pakistan including AJ&K and Gilgit Baltistan**



# Ending Disparities– 2019-2020



## Our Story

**T**his publication is an account of Awaz Foundation Pakistan- Centre for Development Services' achievements and our efforts to bring change in the lives of vulnerable groups including women and girls over the last year. It shares how we and our many partners are striding forward to realize a better world for marginalized segments of the society i.e. young people including women and girls, transgenders, People living with disabilities and religious minorities—a world of equality and empowerment.

Looking forward, we will draw on our full resources and experiences in protecting and advancing the rights of the people we are working for. That is what we do and who we are, as an advocate, human rights defender, convener, provider of programmes and partner for change. The challenges are huge, but as we bring people together and build momentum through advocacy and awareness raising for equality, overcoming these challenges is not impossible. During 2019-2020 we lead to:

Voice against violence

Mitigate pandemic through mass awareness

Knowledge sharing to accelerate progress

Empower girls through secondary education

Develop communities through awareness raising

## Mitigating Pandemic Through Mass Awareness



We reached out to **1,602,808** beneficiaries in marginalized communities of 44 districts across Pakistan

**A**wazCDS-Pakistan's Covid- 19 emergency response took off across 48 district in Pakistan with its Ujala partners as the situation evolved. We decided to divert our Ujala programme resources for three months to respond when government announced Corona emergency in Pakistan and initiated cash grants assistance for marginalized communities.

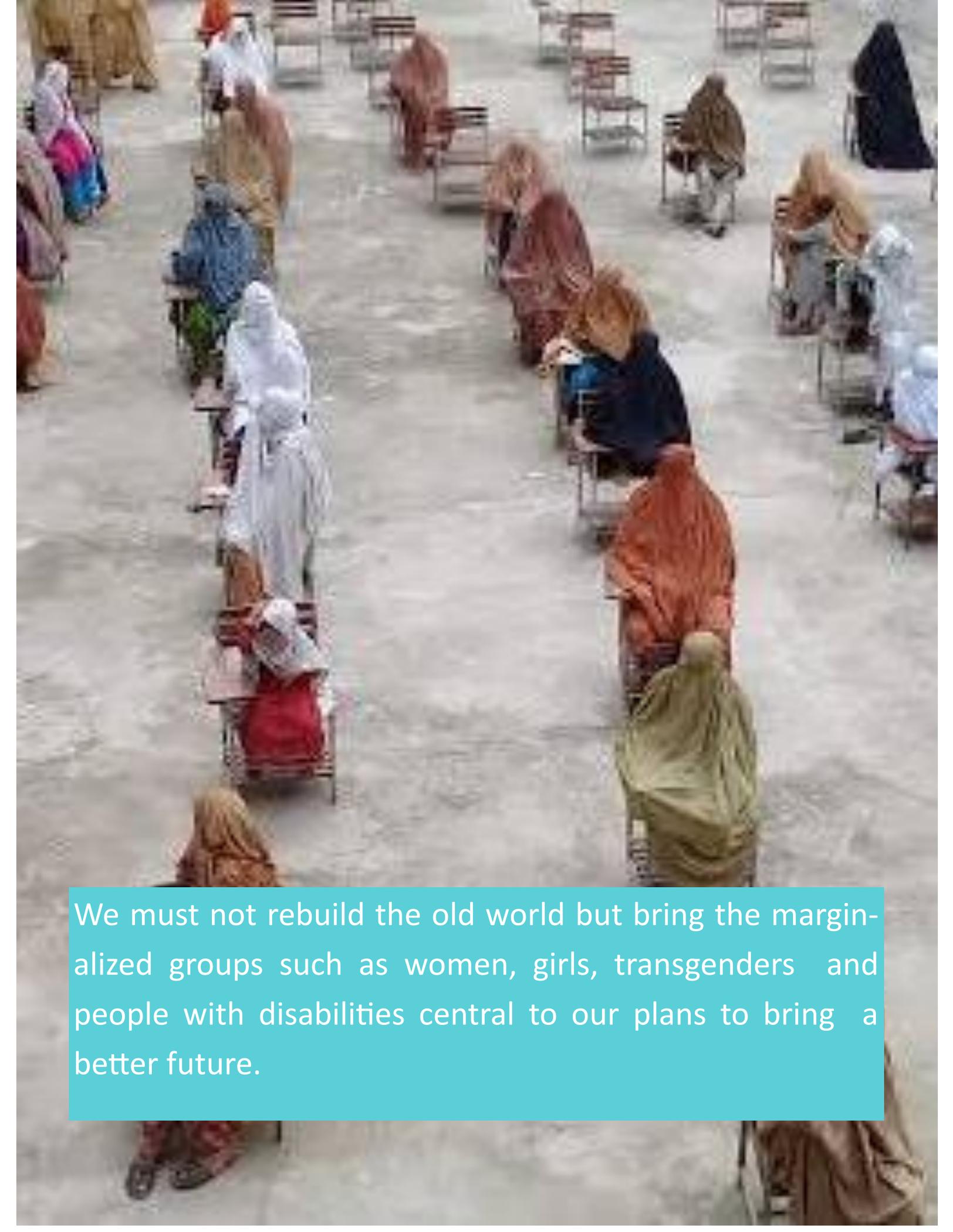
As the virus was new we focused on a mass awareness campaign through Radio shows. We displayed banner at different sites of the communities with messages to stay safe. Column and Features in local daily newspapers highlighted issues marginalized communities faced in the wake of corona outbreak.

Awaz Foundation Pakistan with support of its partner 'Social and Economic Development Associates- SEDA' also prepared a booklet translated in Braille for visually impaired people and prepared documentary in sign language for hearing impaired people as per WHO's guidelines on how to remain safe from COVID-19.

Awaz with the support of its partners conducted 03 different surveys during the pandemic.

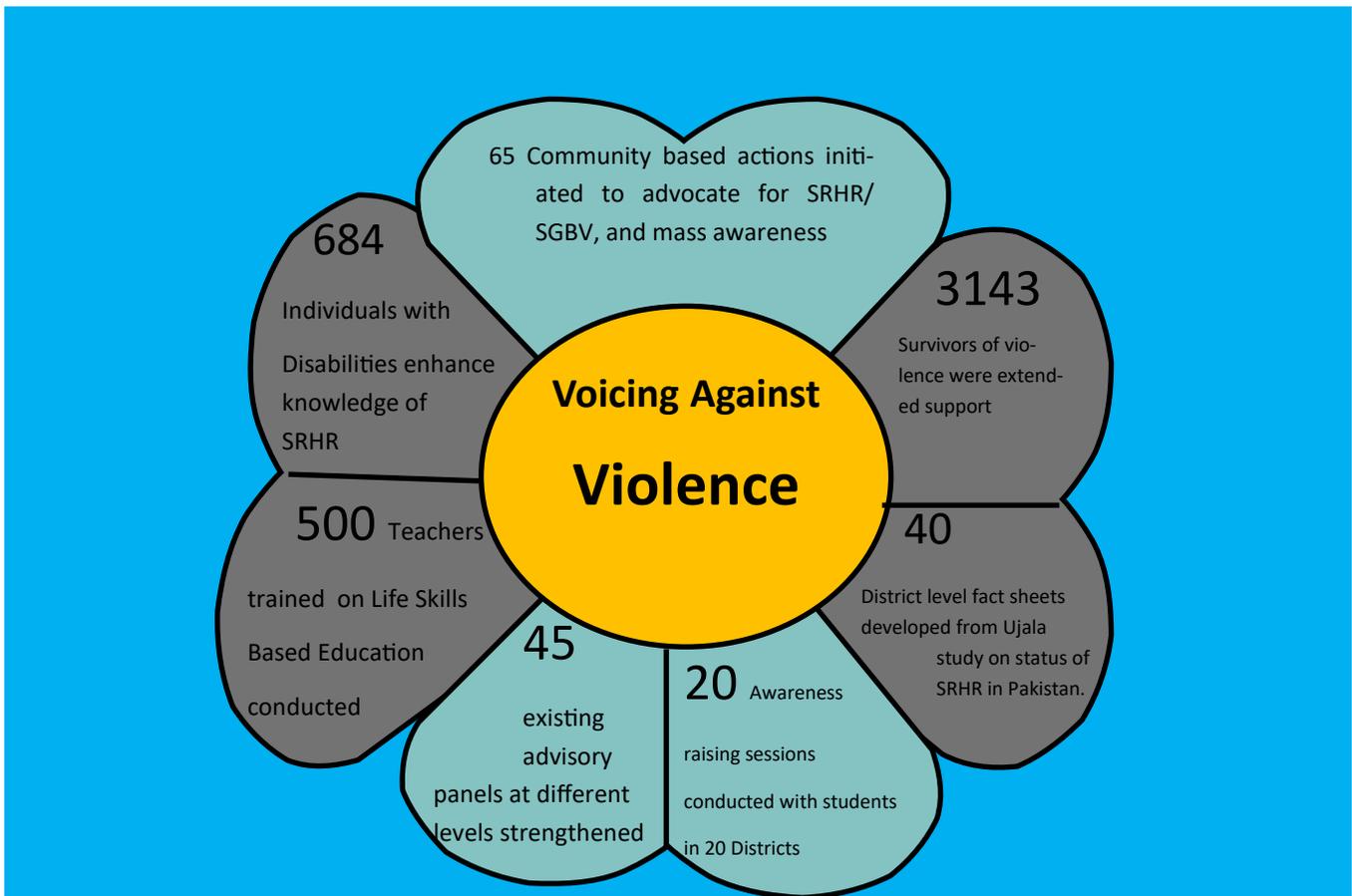
1. Observational Survey of Ehsaas Cash grant & Distributions of Other Relief Packages
2. Leaving No-one Behind – National assessment of Ehsaas Cash grant programme
3. Online Gender Based Violence Survey





We must not rebuild the old world but bring the marginalized groups such as women, girls, transgenders and people with disabilities central to our plans to bring a better future.

# Voicing Against Violence through UJALA



**454,245**

beneficiaries were reached with SRHR messages and support

**E**very individual in a society must play its role and challenge the deeply rooted customs that promote violence against women and girls. Local governments, community activists, women’s groups, traditional leaders, police officers, health-care providers, and men and boys all paid attention to Awaz Foundation’s demand to condemn harmful norms that withstand violence against women and girls through their participation in our activities such as public forums. Community dialogues with women and girls stressed prevention and the right to live in safety. Over 96 volunteers led efforts to stop violence in their communities as we built their capacities focusing on the concepts of SRHR, GBV with a particular emphasis on advocacy & communication skills, necessary to get the message across.

Our work with parents and teachers through our partners is the hallmark of our achievement since we carried out 500 one-day orientation sessions with teachers and parents to create awareness on the life skill based education of children so as to protect them from abuse and molestation.

We engaged Parliamentary task forces on SDGs and signed a five years MoU and worked with SDGs secretariat to ensure effective Parliamentary oversight, evidence based legislation, technical assistance in research and training for Parliamentarians particularly on Goal 3,4,5,10 & 16. This gave us opportunity to talk to parliamentarians and Government and discuss taboo issues related to SRHR for legislation, preparing framework articulating annual targets, focused work plans with clear goals.



“After a year of our engagement with PWDs, many of the PWDs activists arranged demonstrations in front of Gilgit-Baltistan Legislative assembly for demanding their basic rights and privileges from sitting government, and then resolutions were passed by GB Assembly to address their issues. I am glad to mention here that as a result of our awareness raising sessions with boys and girls under Ujala interventions, they held few demonstration and campaigns in Gilgit against gender-based violence and they recorded their protest against harassment cases happened in Gilgit and it was widely reported in local media. I have also observed that the PWDs here in Gilgit are getting united and they made their own groups and organizations for addressing their issues” *Ejaz Ahmed Khan; Founding Director, Publishing Extension Network, Gilgit*

We scaled up support for marginalized communities

in **48** districts across Pakistan

**51** Biannual meetings of advisory panels at different levels organized to get their expert opinion on CSE, domestic violence and early age marriages to create an influx of pressure group for building momentum

**50** partners trained on SRHR, GBV, advocacy & communication skills to advocate and run public campaigns





**TABLE OF TENSES**  
(Affirmative - Negative - Interrogative)

|                   | Present  | Past  | Future   |
|-------------------|--|---|--|
| <b>Indefinite</b> | I do.<br>You do not do.<br>She does?                               | I did.<br>You did not do.<br>She did?                       | I shall do.<br>You shall not do.<br>She shall?                                   |
| <b>Definite</b>   | I am working.<br>I am not working.<br>Am I working?                | Was working.<br>Was not working.<br>Were I working?         | Shall be working.<br>Shall not be working.<br>Shall I be working?                |
| <b>Participle</b> | I have worked.<br>I have not worked.<br>Have I worked?             | Had worked.<br>Had not worked.<br>Had I worked?             | Shall have worked.<br>Shall not have worked.<br>Shall I have worked?             |
| <b>Infinitive</b> | I have been doing.<br>I have not been doing.<br>Have I been doing? | Had been doing.<br>Had not been doing.<br>Had I been doing? | Shall have been doing.<br>Shall not have been doing.<br>Shall I have been doing? |

**Fractions**

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Equality For All  
Development Organisation

Amn Foundation  
AWI-CDS  
Center for Women's Development

**Awareness session with women on  
Gender Based Violence,  
Human Rights and LSBE under Ujala-II**

**December 2019**

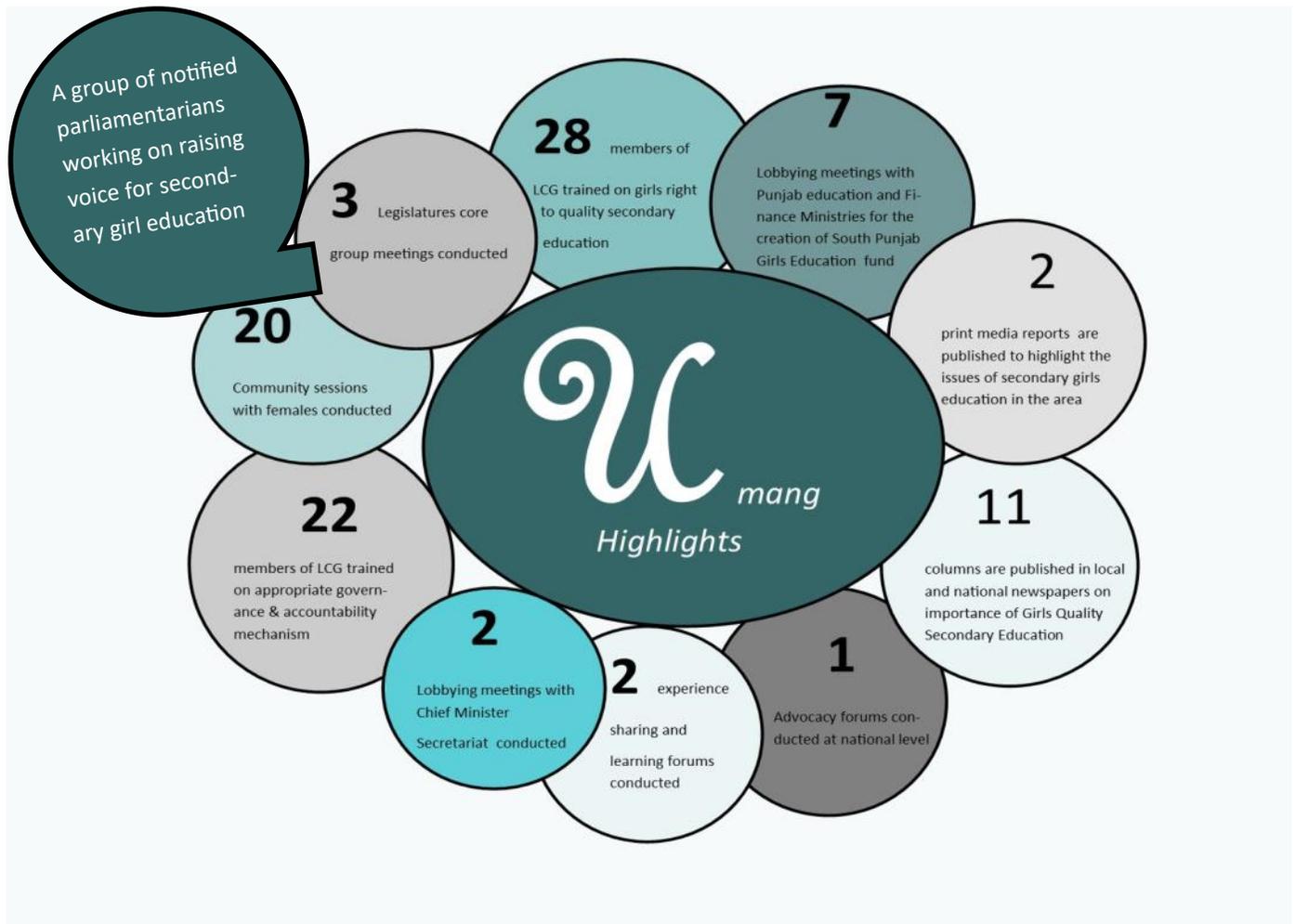
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**“The training of teachers not only sensitized teachers but also helped teachers to talk about the issues that were unsaid in the class rooms due to shame. This talk about the good and bad touch imparted life skill-based education among children which is necessary now to make children safe from abuse”, Mr. Anwar Ali ;Executive Director, National Advocacy for Rights of Innocent-NARI Foundation**



# Empowering girls through secondary education



**720,010**  
**people**  
**reached**  
**through**  
**mass media**  
**campaigns**

Investing on girl's education is a life changing and a mega step to transforms communities, societies and countries. Giving girls secondary education not only saves them from falling prey to early marriages but also make them live healthy and productive lives. They are better able to part take in family income generation activities and take important decision about their lives and the lives of their families.

Awaz Foundation Pakistan has worked with the governments, parliamentarians, councilors at grass root level through partners and the media to raise voice for the rights of girls particularly in Punjab and across Pakistan to attain education to at least secondary level and reduce inequalities and contribute to goal 5 five of the sustainable development goals. We engaged parliamentarians in Punjab through a legislatures core group on Education and sensitize them on the issue of secondary girl education in order to bring policy reforms. We extended our support to prepare resolutions and research based brief analysis for arguments and support data. Moreover, our mobilization activities in communities through our partners yielded some highly fruitful results ensuring their participation in public forums.

Privilege motion moved through LCG member on delays in notifying Punjab Free & Compulsory Education ACT 2014 even after passing of 5 years

Debate initiated in assembly floor about the key initiatives on girls education under Punjab Free and Compulsory Education ACT2014.

1500 people engaged through public forums to demand establish equal number of schools for girls and boys and to increase the enrollment of girls in secondary schools



# میوٹی آگاہی سیشن

عنوان: بچیوں کی ثانوی و اعلیٰ ثانوی تعلیم کی اہمیت

پروگرام کا نصاب اور کتنا اہم ہے  
خلیفہ راشد پور

محلہ:  
نومبر 2019



We signed MoU with Provincial Assembly of the Punjab to take forward agenda of Secondary Girls Education and address the issue of early marriages, child sexual abuse and sexual and reproductive health of marginalized women in Punjab.



## Striving for Sustainable Communities



### Citizens' Watch Pakistan Programme

**A**waz Foundation Pakistan as a torchbearer of SDGs agenda, enhanced resilience of primary actors, institutions and organizations through capacity building of the related institutions such as task forces on SDGs, volunteers in our partner organizations as well as awareness raising of communities regarding their rights being citizens of Pakistan and how they can claim them while making their representatives accountable.

In this regards, Sustainable Development Goal Citizens' Watch Pakistan is our key programme to work for and contribute towards sustainable development goals as it's a multi-

facet initiative, which is aimed at cross sectional advocacy measures on SDGs by capacity development of Parliamentarians, CSOs, young volunteers, local govt. representatives and professionals from different fields. We strengthened communities through sensitization and awareness on SDGs and developed a comprehensive document based on Citizens Voices on the measures adopted by the different stakeholders' i.e Government and Pvt sector which contributed in the achievement of the global commitment under Sustainable Development Goal Agenda 2030. This was developed on the basis of SDGs Citizens Score Card - a milestone we achieved during 2019-20. It was carried out to collect diverse opinion of people and related stakeholders about progress on the implementation of SDGs. Moreover, it also contains real grass root voices regarding priorities of the communities .

We developed scorecard with the technical support of experts including Pakistan Development Alliance members, district partners of SDGs CWP program, Sightsavers, SDG taskforces, Planning Commission of Pakistan, PCHR and VSO Pakistan etc. This score card is very comprehensive which is developed around by keeping in mind the SDGs National Priority framework. In this score card 05 SDGs goals were selected and in each goal 02-03 targets were adopted. All the questions of the score card were designed around four dimensions i.e Quality, Quantity, Affordability and Accessibility .



*“Awaz CDS Pakistan trained us to engage and mobilize communities on SDGs. Our specialized knowledge and expertise in SDGs has enhanced the resilience of the communities as they are more aware of their rights now. They know that government is responsible to ensure their rights”, Anis Danish; Legal Rights Forum, Karachi.*

***We trained 12 district volunteers and transformed them into SDG champions***



*We not only liaised effectively with our national, provincial and district partners, but also partnered with SDG taskforces in Punjab, Sindh, Balochistan, KP, AJ& K, and GB . We have signed MoU with National SDG Task Force with Punjab Assembly and Gilgit Baltistan Assembly to work together on towards achieving SDGs.*



We did our robust effort to be heard at Peoples Assembly in the sidelines of UNGA where we raised our voice on Gender equality, Women empowerment and Early Age Marriages. We represented civil society organizations of Pakistan in High level political forum (HLPF) in July 2019



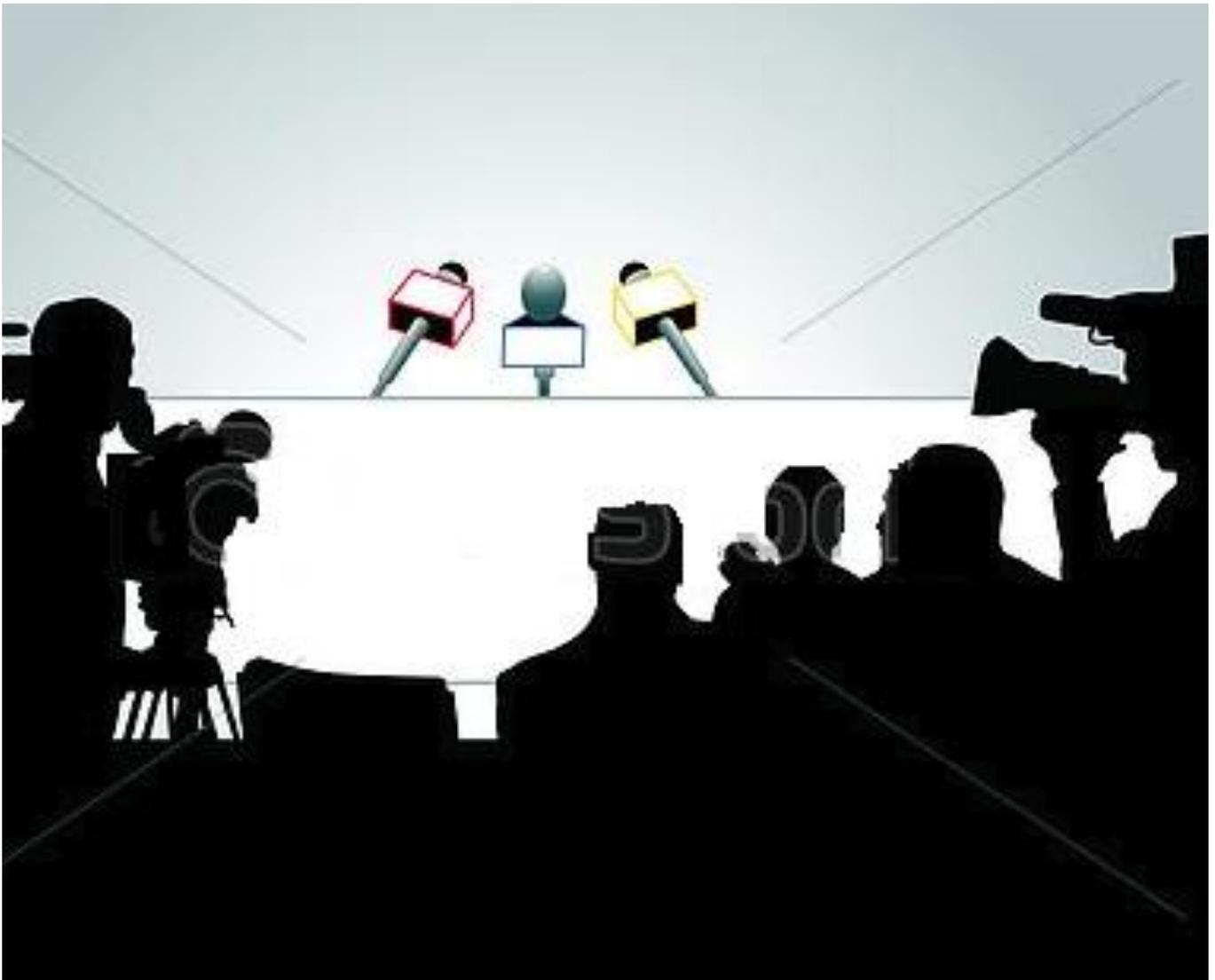
## Media Engagements

### Radio shows

**164** radio shows for raising awareness to fight against covid 19 while reaching out to **1,602,733**

### TV shows

**6** TV shows were conducted to voice for the right of girls to secondary education and the consequences of drop out of girls from schools in the form of early child marriages, sexual abuse and reproductive health complications



We published **86** articles during Corona emergency, **13** on girls secondary education particularly focusing on drop out rates, early marriages, and the impact of early marriages on sexual and reproductive health of girls .

# پاکستان

73 سال گزار جانے کے باوجود آج تک اس ملک کا کوئی مسئلہ اور عورتوں کا نام نہیں لیا گیا۔ اس پر غور کرو کہ پرائے والی حکومت نے انڈیا سے ملنے والی سب سے پہلی طبی عیاشی اور طبی مرہبہ کی اول اور ہر سال طبی مرہبہ میں تھوڑی تو ایک روایت رہا ہے کہ پرائے والی قومی زبان اردو ہے۔ گھر والے تعلیمی اداروں میں اعلیٰ سطح تک لائے جانے والی سب سے پہلی طبی مرہبہ کی تعلیم کی فراہمی کی کوہستان کے بڑی سڑکوں سے گھر والے نے منہ سے نکال دیا ہے۔ اس پر غور کرو کہ پرائے والی سب سے پہلی طبی مرہبہ کی تعلیم کی فراہمی کی کوہستان کے بڑی سڑکوں سے گھر والے نے منہ سے نکال دیا ہے۔ اس پر غور کرو کہ پرائے والی سب سے پہلی طبی مرہبہ کی تعلیم کی فراہمی کی کوہستان کے بڑی سڑکوں سے گھر والے نے منہ سے نکال دیا ہے۔



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## غربت و وسائل کی کمی بچیوں کی تعلیم کی راہ میں رکاوٹ!

راجن پور کے منتخب سیاستدانوں کو فروع میں فروغ تعلیم کیلئے کام کرنا ہوگا



گھوڑی اور وسائل کی کمی بچیوں کی تعلیم کی راہ میں رکاوٹ! راجن پور کے منتخب سیاستدانوں کو فروع میں فروغ تعلیم کیلئے کام کرنا ہوگا۔ کوہستان کے بڑی سڑکوں سے گھر والے نے منہ سے نکال دیا ہے۔ اس پر غور کرو کہ پرائے والی سب سے پہلی طبی مرہبہ کی تعلیم کی فراہمی کی کوہستان کے بڑی سڑکوں سے گھر والے نے منہ سے نکال دیا ہے۔ اس پر غور کرو کہ پرائے والی سب سے پہلی طبی مرہبہ کی تعلیم کی فراہمی کی کوہستان کے بڑی سڑکوں سے گھر والے نے منہ سے نکال دیا ہے۔



# جہان پاکستان

## لاک ڈاؤن میں بچوں کو کورس کی کتابیں مہیا کی جائیں پنجاب اسمبلی میں قرارداد جمع

لاہور (سٹاف رپورٹر) پنجاب میں لاک ڈاؤن کے باعث سکولوں کے بچوں کی تعلیم متاثر ہونے کی وجہ سے بچوں کی تعلیم متاثر ہو رہی ہے۔ غریب اور محروم طبقات کے بچے جن کے گھروں میں ٹی وی نہیں ملتی تعلیم ان کے ساتھ مذاق کے مترادف ہے۔ سکولوں کے سلسلے بند رہنے، کتابوں کی عدم دستیابی اور طبی تعلیم کے ذرائع میں بہت بڑے ڈراپ آؤٹ کا باعث نہ بن جائے۔ پنجاب اسمبلی کا ایوان مطالبہ کرتا ہے کہ گھروں میں فوری کتابوں کی دستیابی یقینی بنائی جائے اور اساتذہ کے ذریعے بچوں کی تعلیمی رہنمائی کا مناسب انتظام کیا جائے۔

زیر اہتمام کارکن اپنے مطالبات کے لئے پریس کلب کے باہر مظاہر سکولوں کے بچوں کی تعلیم متاثر ہونے کے خلاف قرارداد اسمبلی میں جمع کروانا

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تحریک انصاف نے خواتین کو سیاسی

پاکستان ڈنیا

پشاور

دیکھیں تعلیم کی کمی بچوں کی تعلیم متاثر ہونے کے خلاف قرارداد اسمبلی میں جمع کروانا

## Living with Disabilities

### Case Story

**A**mir Naeem Mughal is one of our volunteers in Jaag Welfare Movement under our Ujala programme in district Rahim Yar Khan. He represents People Living With Disabilities at the district level, and sees the provision of services as his mission. It is the Ujala programme that gave him motivation and strengthened his skills to stand up and speak for the rights of community fellows particularly people living with disabilities. He has become an active member of different platforms calling for an end to discrimination against PWDs, especially their sexual and reproductive rights, and a change in societal attitudes regarding barriers/stigma in the marriage of PWDs and attaining of other fundamental rights.

Amir Naeem Mughal also played an active role in all the activities particularly the meetings of District Advisory Panel. He has also been involved in our awareness raising sessions throughout our Ujala programme in Rahim Yar Khan which strengthened his communication and advocacy skills. These skills acquired through ujala gave him confidence to do networking and create linkages with different government departments and initiatives such as Bait-ul-Maal, Ehsas & Sehat Programme . While using these linkages he supported his community and got PWDs registered with Ehsas and Sehat programme. He arranged sports events such as tricycle race for children by contacting various philanthropists and Chamber of Commerce and Industries. He has devoted his life for the betterment of this segment of society as he is seen doing one thing or the other for these people all the time.



*"While making use of Ujala platform, we advocated for the rights of people with disabilities and have been able to convince the Tehsil administration to issue disability certificate to this most vulnerable group of society", Amir Naeem Mughal; Volunteer Ujala programme*

## Azad Jammu & Kashmir



## Gilgit Baltistan



## Balochistan



## Khyber Pakhtunkhwa



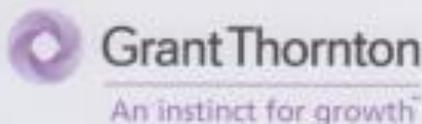
## Punjab



## Sindh



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Awaz Foundation Pakistan: Centre for Development Services

### Report on the Audit of Financial Statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of **Awaz Foundation Pakistan: Centre for Development Services (The Foundation)** which comprise the statement of financial position as at June 30, 2020, and the statement of income and expenditure, Statement of changes in funds and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of as at June 30, 2020 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with approved accounting and reporting standards as applicable in Pakistan.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) as applicable in Pakistan. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Foundation in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* as adopted by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan (the Code) and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the accounting and reporting standards as applicable in Pakistan and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Foundation or to cease operations, or has a realistic alternative to do so.

The Board of directors is responsible for overseeing the Foundation's financial reporting process.

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### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs as applicable in Pakistan will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs as applicable in Pakistan, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Foundation's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Foundation's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Foundation to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Country Coordinator regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

**GRANT THORNTON ANJUM RAHMAN**

Chartered Accountants

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January 09, 2021

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