



Monyati Initiatives | Pakistan Vocational Sewing Center for Women

Project Completion – 8th of October 2013

■ Project Pakistan: Vocational sewing center for young women in Pakistan

Dear Friends,

We successfully completed our commitment to equip a vocational sewing center for women in Kashmir, Pakistan. We provided sewing, embroidery and button-making machines as well as other equipment for the center.

The center offers six month long sewing courses for girls and young women that teaches them basic cutting, sewing, hand stitching and embroidery. Each course has 30 students and is conducted by a certified teacher and, if the students pass the exam successfully, they receive a certificate as well as a sewing machine so that they can start their own small business. This center is run by Yesmin Wazir, a truly inspirational soul, and her organization KDRC in Kashmir.

Since our initial support three years ago 550 young women have benefited from this course. These women have received their own sewing machine, gained skills that empower them to run their own small business, generate income for themselves and their families and even more importantly they have gained confidence and independence. This is true empowerment!

As always we personally travelled to Pakistan to document and oversee the implementation of our commitment. All travel costs were covered separately and flights were generously sponsored by Etihad Airways. Please find further details in the presentation.

Yours sincerely,

Monja Wolf



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■ **To date 550 women have been able to set up their own sewing businesses, gain life and commercial skills, confidence and generate sustainable income**

Location: Kotli in Kashmir, Pakistan

Impact: The center enables free education, employment and sustainability for the beneficiaries and to date empowered 550 women to set up their own sewing micro businesses, gain life and commercial skills, confidence and generate sustainable income.

Project: Provision of 75 sewing machines, 2 overlock machines, 2 industrial heavy duty machines, 10 used embroidery machines, 1 industrial button making machine, 75 sewing packages which include a pair of cutting scissors, chalk, needles, measurement tape, note book etc. The sewing machines and sewing packages will be given to each student upon successful completion of their exam.

Cost: 75 sewing machines (4,800 Rupees each), 2 overlock machines (20,000 Rupees each), 2 industrial heavy duty machines (20,000 Rupees each), 10 used embroidery machines (6,000 Rupees each), 1 industrial button making machine (20,000 Rupees), 60 scissor (285 Rupees each) -- Total funding of 537,100 Rupees / AED 20,100



■ Project Pakistan was successfully completed – Take that poverty!

A huge thank you to Etihad Airways for sponsoring two return tickets from Abu Dhabi to Islamabad. We are also grateful to Yesmin and Nigel Wazir from our partner organization KDRC who run this center so successfully. It is always a pleasure to join hands with them. Please see more pictures on our website www.monyati.com under “completed projects”.



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