



REPORT

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DON BOSCO PAST PUPIL ASSOCIATION PAKISTAN

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Introduction


The Association of the Past Pupils of Don Bosco is a worldwide organization of the Past Pupils of the Salesians of St. John Bosco.

The movement springs from the interest and affection which binds the Past Pupils to Don Bosco and to the Salesian family. Through the Past Pupils Association Pakistan, the members wish to maintain and develop the insights and inspiration received at the Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre, Pakistan. Past pupils belong to the Salesian family by reason of that special bond forged by their being educated and nurtured in a Don Bosco institution.

Pakistan



From the desk of Salesian Delegate



Dear alumni of Don Bosco in Pakistan. How happy don Bosco must be in these moments knowing that hundreds of you who were studying or living in his home, come together to thank God for the gift of the Salesian charism in Asia, especially here in Pakistan.

In this 12th Congress I invite you to continue to show the world that the Salesian Family is present even in Christian minority countries, and that through your work and dedication as past pupils, Salesians can continue to promote quality education for so many young people in need.

You have received much from the house of Don Bosco, now share with generosity and joy all that you have received. God bless you all, May St. John Bosco will always protect you.

Rev. Fr. Gabriel Cruz SDB
Provincial Delegate - Pakistan



Message from the Rector Lahore

I am very happy to share my thoughts for the association of alumni of Don Bosco of Pakistan. As Rector of the house, I have an honor to see this small group moving forward little by little as I remember the days when I was pushing and convincing these young people to join the Alumni association of past pupils of Don Bosco worldwide by becoming the bearer of light and hope for their Pakistani youth.

I am strongly convinced one-day Don Bosco will be known by every street and corner of Pakistan by the graduates of Don Bosco.

We are sharing the legacy of our Father and founder through our way of education and they are our witness to world by showing their commitments. The blessings of St. John Bosco remain with you.

Rev. Fr. Noble Lal SDB

Rector Don Bosco Lahore - Pakistan

Message from the Rector Quetta



Don Bosco has the past pupils close to his heart from the very beginning of his mission for the young. To put it straight, his own boys were among his first collaborators. This reality has not changed over the one and half century of years.

The 150th anniversary is a milestone in the life of the Don Bosco Past Pupils Association. Especially for the young group of Pakistani Past Pupils, the 150th anniversary serves as blood stream to start aright, as most of the national associations are rejuvenating or revival time for many.

It is a time to give glory to God with grateful hearts for the graces have been received throughout the years. Not a few of the Past Pupils have played more effective role for the Salesian mission and shepherding for the young than some SDBs.

Your role dear Bosconians, is very important for the Salesian work. You are not only to analyses the pastoral activities of the Salesians, but to be a constant reminder of our originally according to the heart of Don Bosco.

I congratulate the active members of the Past Pupils Association of Pakistan for their recognition in the global Don Bosco family. I encourage you to keep it up always in spite of many challenges

Rev. Fr. Samuel Adnan SDB

Rector Don Bosco Quetta - Pakistan

Prayer & Promise of the Past Pupils of Don Bosco

(Urdu Language)

ڈون بوسکو کے سابق طلباء کی دعا اور وعدہ

اے ہمارے باپ، اپنے بیٹے ہمارے خداوند یسوع مسیح
اور مقدس جون بوسکو کی شفاعت سے
ہم دنیا کے تمام طلباء کی دعاؤں اور التجاؤں کو قبول فرما۔

ہم تیرا شکر کرتے ہیں

تعلیم کے اُس انمول تحفے کیلئے جو ہم نے سلیشنز کی رہنمائی میں حاصل کی ہے
اور جسکی وجہ سے ہماری زندگیاں سلیشن روحانیت سے بھر گئی ہیں۔

ہم خاندانی اعتماد سے تجھ سے مانگتے ہیں

ہمیں معاشرے اور کلیسیاء میں انسانی اور مسیحی پیغام کو زندہ رکھنے کی طاقت اور ہمت عطا فرما۔
ہمیں دیانتدار شہری اور اچھا مسیحی بننے میں مدد فرما۔
ہماری اس تنظیم اور آپس میں ایک دوسرے کیساتھ یک جہتی کو مضبوط کرنے میں مدد فرما۔
ہمارے ایمان، ہماری اُمید اور ایک دوسرے کی مالی معاونت کرنے کے جذبے کو مضبوط فرما۔

ہم سب مل کر وعدہ کرتے ہیں

ہم معاشرے میں پھیلی نا انصافی، ناحق فائدے اور بے جسی کجخلاف سبسہ پلائی دیوار بنیں گے!
ہم ہر قیمت پر مقدس ڈون بوسکو کی اُن اقدار کا بھرپور دفع کریں گے جو ہمیں اُنکی زندگی سے سیکھنے کو ملیں۔
ہم کلیسیائی شراکت سے آپس میں ہمیشہ مضبوط رہیں گے!
ہم دنیا کا نور اور زمین کا نمک بنیں گے!

ہم سب مل کر پورے ایمان سے مانگیں

ہم سب پر،
ہمارے عزیز واقارب پر،
اور ہمارے سلیشنز خاندان پر
ہمیشہ نظر کرم رکھنا۔

آمین

Aims of the Association

The general aims of the Association are:

To keep in touch with, unite and animate all former beneficiaries of Don Bosco education so as to help them to preserve, develop and live the values of Don Bosco's educational system.

To spread the spirit of Don Bosco and to involve themselves in Don Bosco's mission to the youth of today.

To uphold and promote the value and the rights of the human person and the family, and

To work towards building up a social and political order based on justice, peace and harmony.

Every Unit of the Past Pupils aims at serving all former pupils, irrespective of whether they are registered or not.

Every Past Pupil tries to keep alive the ties of fraternal friendship initiated by Don Bosco and continued through his Salesians.

Motto of the Association of Past Pupils Pakistan

The motto of the Association of Past Pupils of Don Bosco is given to us by our Father and Founder, Don Bosco:



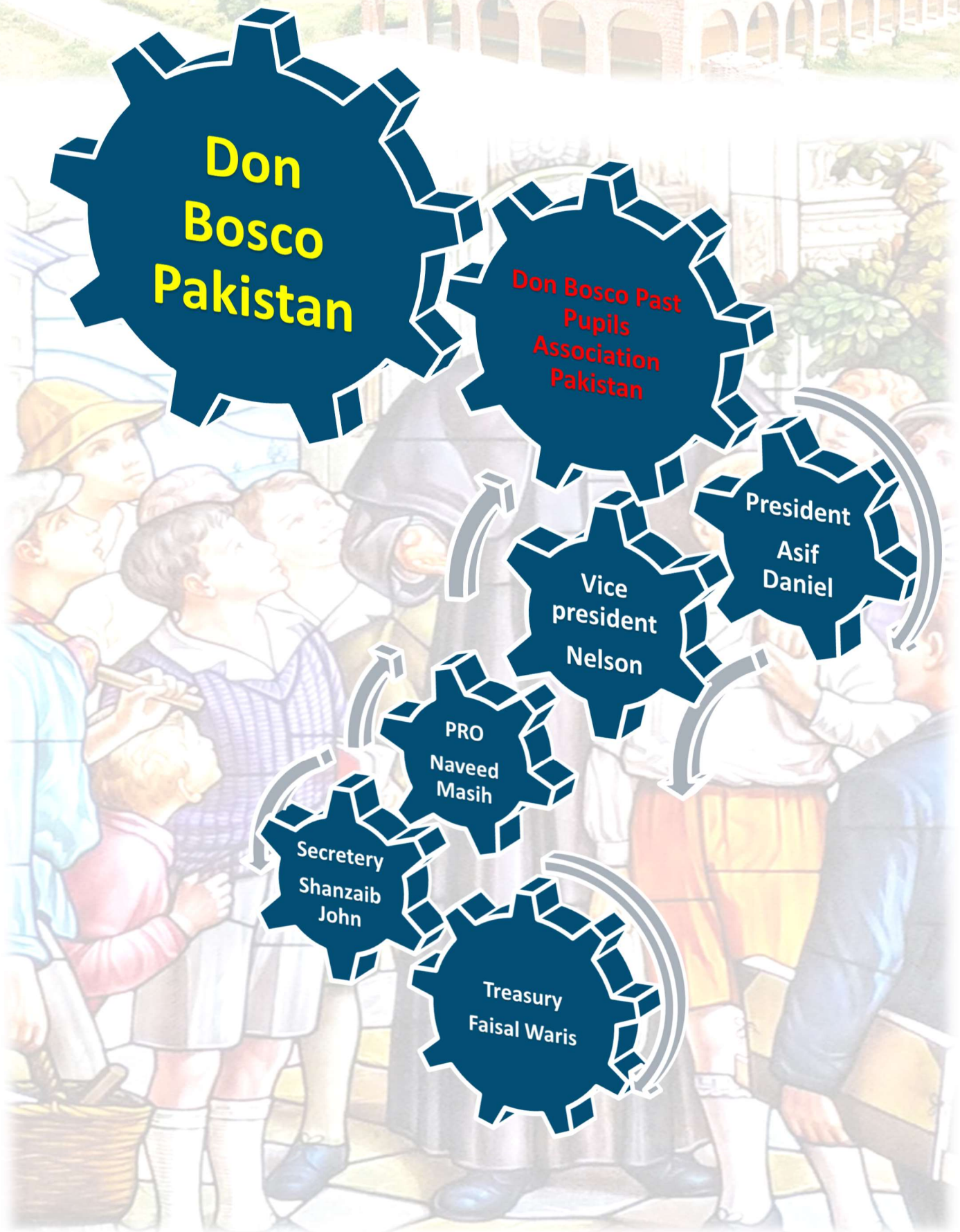
**“KNOW, LOVE, HELP
ONE ANOTHER
AND
KEEP UNITED”.**

Don Bosco Past Pupils Association, Pakistan

Official Logo



Core Committee Members Structure



Responsibilities of the Core Committee Members

President

Name: Asif Daniel

Age: 35

Batch: 2003-2005 (Mechanical)



- ❖ Responsible for the leadership, direction and coordination of the activities of the Association.
- ❖ Represents the national federation both with respect to the Salesian congregation and the World Confederation of the Past Pupils.
- ❖ In agreement with the National Delegate, he convenes the national committee meetings and presides over it. He draws up its agenda.
- ❖ In agreement with the committee, he convenes the national council meeting and presides over it. He draws up the agenda for the council meeting in consultation with the committee.
- ❖ Ensures that the decisions of the national council with regard to the functioning of the national committee are executed.
- ❖ Keeps the national delegate informed of how things are in the Federation and what happens in meetings which the delegate is unable to attend.
- ❖ Ensures that the federation is represented at the world confederal meetings to the extent possible. If the federation is not represented, he should keep himself informed of the decisions, directions and activities of the confederation.
- ❖ Ensures that all the National committee members carry out their duties in keeping with the rules and regulations of the association.
- ❖ After every major activity of the federation, he conducts an evaluation of it. Besides that, he assesses the overall performance of the federation once in four months paying particular attention to the membership, finances, formation and execution of deliberations.

- ❖ Keeps in touch with the Presidents of the provincial federations and offers them guidance and help in promoting the goals and objectives of the federation.

Vice President

Name: Nelson Suleman

Age: 29

Batch: 2012-2014 (Electrical & HVACR)



- ❖ To present at all committee and council meetings and assists the president in all his duties.
- ❖ Takes the place of the President in his absence.



Secretary

Name: Shanzaib John

Age: 24

Batch: 2015-2016 (DIT)



- ❖ Keeps up-to-date the statistics regarding the federation, the list of names and addresses of the member federations and the list of all the Life Members of the national federation.
- ❖ Presents to the national council the quarterly and annual report of the federation.
- ❖ Sends out notices for meetings of the committee and the council.
- ❖ Attends to the correspondence of the federation.
- ❖ Draws up the minutes of the meetings of the committee and the council.
- ❖ Prepares the chronicles and statistics by collecting necessary information, documents, photos etc. of the federation and presents it to the national committee during its meetings.
- ❖ Look after and preserves the archives of the federation, taking special care in filing all correspondence and documentation.
- ❖ Prepares and sends to the world confederal secretariat the reports and documentation regarding the principal activities of the federation.
- ❖ Keeps the president informed of all happenings and events in the federation and ensures that no decision is made or any correspondence goes out of the office without the president's consent.
- ❖ On completing his tenure, he hands over all files and documentation along with the handing over documents duly signed to the incoming secretary in the presence of the National delegate.

Public Relationship Officer (PRO)

Name: Naveed Masih

Age: 32

Batch: 2008-2010 (Electrical)



- ❖ Develops, coordinates and evaluates programs and projects to promote alumni relations and educational programs designed to connect alumni through academic channels such as programs/departments/schools/colleges.
- ❖ Plans, coordinates, and attends events, meetings, or other activities as requested by academic units. This may also include alumni and volunteer recognition banquets, receptions, homecoming, and reunions.
- ❖ Coordinates and produces reports, proposals, and analyses for management, to include monthly budget to actual reviews of areas of programmatic responsibility, periodic reports to reflect relevant data gathering and analysis, and post-event reports and recommendations.
- ❖ Collaborates with appropriate staff to share information on events and alumni engagement opportunities.
- ❖ Develops and presents educational programs for alumni, including lectures, seminars, and workshops.
- ❖ Coordinates and trains volunteers who work on events, projects and programs.
- ❖ Represents the organization at various community and/or business meetings, committees, and task forces; promotes existing and new programs and/or policies.
- ❖ Serves on committees relating to alumni relations, and serves as liaison.

Treasurer

Name: Faisal Waris

Age: 24

Batch: 2012-2014 (Mechanical)



- ❖ Keep up-to-date the inventory of goods owned or used by the federation.
- ❖ Receive the membership fees, contributions and any other income, and accounts for the same.
- ❖ Pass on to the world confederation the annual affiliation fee as stipulated by the confederation.
- ❖ Presents the statement of accounts and financial status at the national committee meetings.
- ❖ Prepares the annual statement of accounts of the association internally audited and presents the same to the national council for approval.
- ❖ Maintain the registers and books of accounts and carries out the administrative acts of the federation.
- ❖ Deposit money in the bank in the name of the federation which is to be operated by two signatories out of three (Delegate/Treasurer/President).

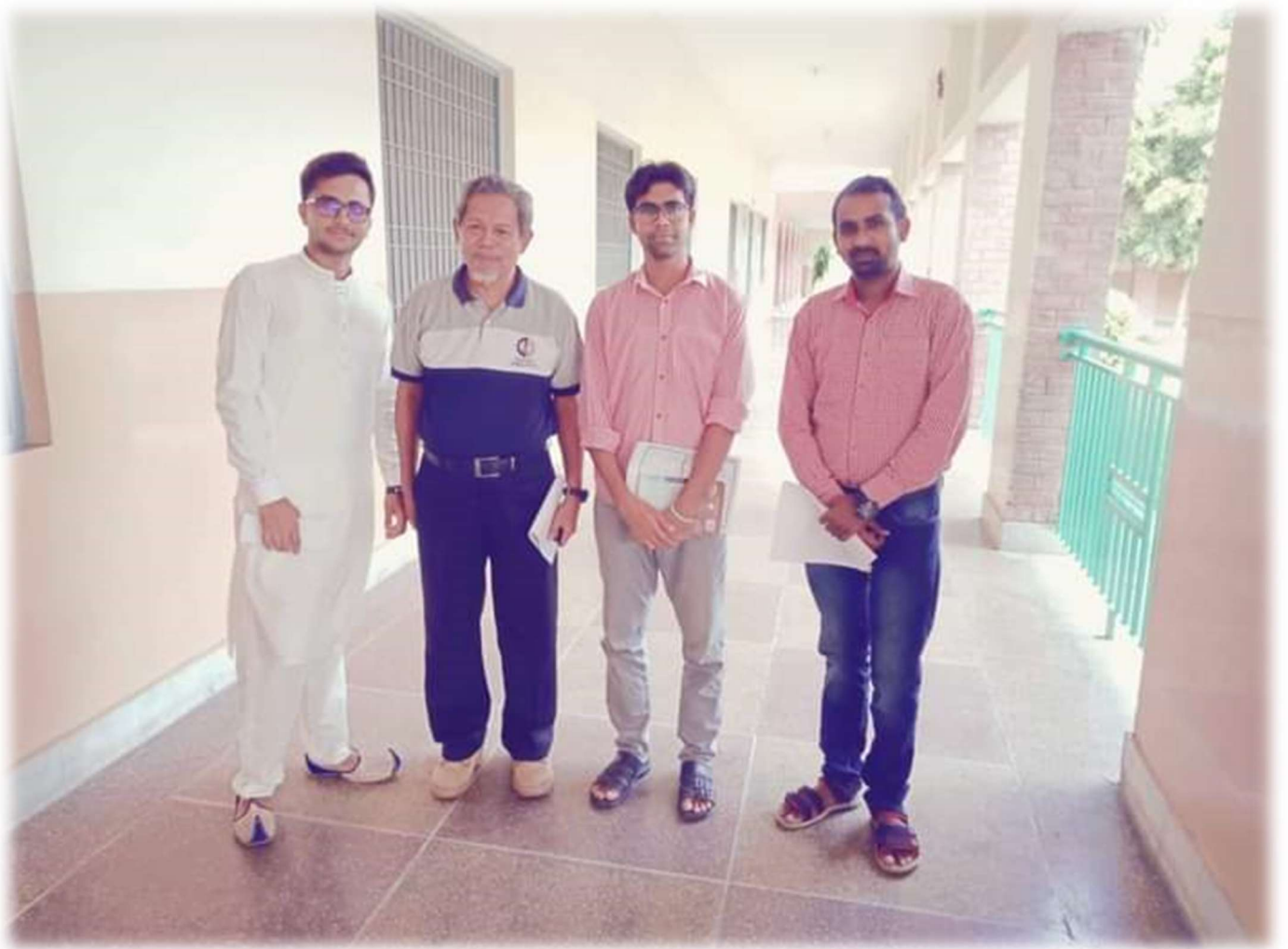
Past Pupils Association Meetings

The First Alumni Meeting

August 24th, 2019 at Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre, Lahore Pakistan.

Salesian Delegate: Bro Alex SDB

Number of Alumni Attended the Meeting: 2



Agenda:

How to re-build relationship between past pupils of Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre & Institute?

The Second Alumni Meeting

September 14th, 2019 at Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre,
Lahore Pakistan.

Salesian Delegate: Bro Alex SDB

Number of Alumni Attended the Meeting: 8



Agenda:

How to Invite all past pupils of Don Bosco in the institute?

How can the Alumni contribute to the school?

The Third Alumni Meeting

October, 2019 at Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre, Lahore
Pakistan.

Salesian Delegate: Bro Alex SDB

Number of Alumni Attended the Meeting: 18



Agenda: Elections of Core Committee Members of the Association.

President:	Asif Daniel
Vice President:	Nelson Suleman
Secretary:	Shanzaib John
Treasurer:	Faisal Waris
Public Relation Officer:	Naveed Masih

The Fourth Alumni Meeting

November 24th, 2019 at Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre,
Lahore Pakistan.

Salesian Delegate: Bro Alex SDB

Number of Alumni Attended the Meeting: 43



Agenda:

To interact with the Alumni

To Plan, organize and coordinate DON BOSCO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PAKISTAN activities and development of sustainability plan.

To focus on the fund raising for association activities.

To plan and design association services for the students.

To take alumni feedback on academic & social media activities.

The Fifth Alumni Meeting

December 15th, 2019 at Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre,
Lahore Pakistan.

Salesian Delegate: Bro Alex SDB

Number of Alumni Attended the Meeting: 18



Agenda:

How can we celebrate the Feast of St. John Bosco?

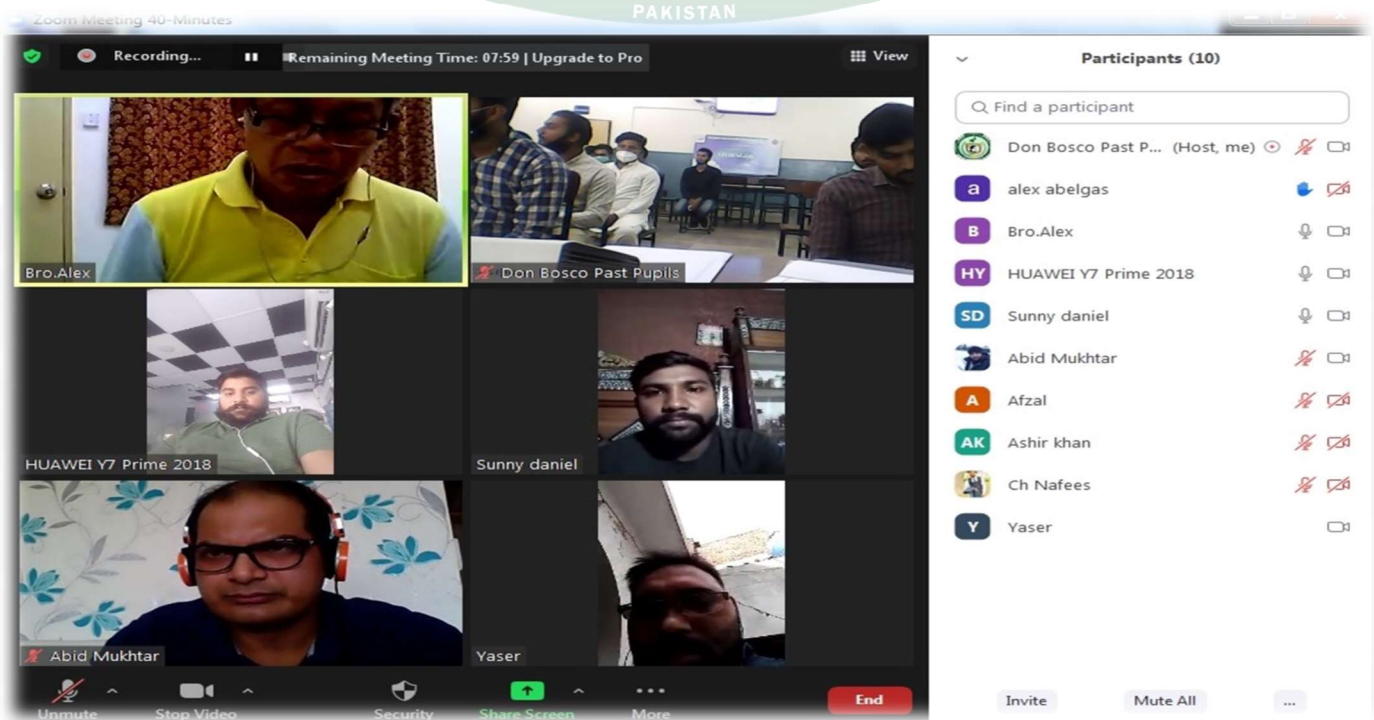
How can we celebrate the Martyrdom of Akash Bashir?
(Past Pupil of Don Bosco LHR)

The Sixth Alumni Meeting

October 27th, 2020 at Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre,
Lahore Pakistan.

Salesian Delegate: Bro Alex SDB

Number of Alumni Attended the Meeting: 41 Physically
09 Online Via Zoom



Past Pupil Akash Bashir

(Martyrdom of Church Bomb Blast 2015)

We Proud of You Akash Bashir

5th Anniversary

Martyrdom of Church Bomb Blast 15 Mar, 2015

OUR BOSCONIAN

Salesian Delegation

Rev. Fr. Noble Lal (SDB)
Rev. Fr. Gabriel Cruz Trejo (SDB)
Bro. Alexander Abalgas (SDB)

Alumni Association

Asif Daniel (President)
Nelson Suleman (V. President)
Faisal (Treasurer)
Naveed Masih (Relationship Officer)
Shanzaib John (Secretary)

DON BOSCO TECHNICAL & YOUTH CENTRE
22 Km, Ferozepur Road Youhanabad, Lahore Pakistan.

The heroic guard & alumni of Don Bosco Lahore, who on 15 March 2015 prevented a suicide bomber from entering a crowded Catholic Church in Lahore, Pakistan, sacrificed his life to avoid a large-scale carnage in the place of worship.

Very recently (6 January 2017), Father Francis Gular has written a formal letter to the archbishop of Lahore, His Grace Sebastian Shaw, asking that the cause for martyrdom of Akash Bashir be forwarded to Rome to be considered by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints.

“The most credible life witness is a martyrdom”

Back Side



Don Bosco Alumni Privilege Card Form

PVC Card Fee: 300/- PKR Only

Membership:

Full Name:

Session / Year of Graduation:

Qualification / Trade :

CNIC #:

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Preferred Postal Address:

Cellphone: _____

Email: (alternate)

Signature:

The Alumni Privilege Card is your means of identification when you come back to avail different benefits.

It is a Privilege card, giving you access to campus & campus facilities in the future.

Past Pupils of Don Bosco Lahore Details

(2001-2020)

In 1999, Late.Fr. Hans and Fr. Peter led foundational stone of Don Bosco Technical and Youth Center Lahore. Since the birth of Don Bosco Technical and Youth Center in Pakistan.

Morning Session:	(2001-2020) =	1107
Evening Session:	(2014-2021) =	941
Project of ADRA Pakistan:	(2015-2018) =	336
(NAVTTC) Govt of Pakistan:	(2016-2018) =	325
Punjab Technical Board:	(2006-2020) =	721
Boys	(Till Now) =	2030
Girls	(Till Now) =	1400
<u>Total Past Pupils</u>		<u>= 3430</u>

The background of the page features a large, multi-story building with a series of arches, likely the Don Bosco Technical Centre. The building is light-colored with red accents and is surrounded by greenery. The title 'Success Stories of our Past Pupils' is overlaid on the top part of the image in a large, bold, black font.

Success Stories of our Past Pupils

NELSON SULEMAN

Don Bosco Technical Centre has helped many young needy people to build a good career and life. Nelson Suleman from Lahore, Pakistan is one of them who belonged to a poor family, he successfully graduated from our institute to make his dreams come true. He has two brothers and two sisters. His father died when he was a young boy and his mother brought him up. Unfortunately, he could not continue his studies due to the financial constraints. Thus, due to the socio-economic problems his family asked him to do some technical course to secure his future. He never thought that one day he will become a technician. He joined Don Bosco Technical and Youth Center Lahore. Late Fr. Peter Zago, SDB Rector of DBTC Lahore presented him the award of Valedictorian on the eve of graduation in 2014 upon his completion of course successfully.

After graduating from Don Bosco Technical Centre as an Electrician and Refrigeration & A.C technician, Don Bosco Technical Centre arranged his on-job training in a well reputed company named “Varioline Intercool Pvt Ltd” as a helper. After his on-job training, he joined Domino’s Pizza as an electrician. At present, he is working as a technical supervisor with Itafaq Hospital Trust which is one of the famous private hospitals in Lahore.

Besides his job, Nelson is also running a business together with his elder brother. Today, Nelson and his family are living a happy life and they believe that Salesian community and Don Bosco technical center Lahore played a very vital role in restoring their dignity. “His mother says that DBTC has made Nelson a special blessing for her family and this institution is really a place where one can shape up his / her future.

Nelson Suleman is also a Vice-president of Don Bosco Alumni Association Lahore Pakistan.



AQEEL HABIB

Welding department is producing skilled and qualified welders. Mr. Aqeel is one of our best graduates as welder, produced by Don Bosco Technical Centre, Lahore. He did two years of welding course in 2015. He belongs to a poor family and living in a small city Sargodha. Sargodha mainly comprises flat, fertile plains with total area of 155 square kilometers in Punjab province. There are very few job opportunities in Sargodha as it is not an industrial city.

While telling his story, Aqeel told that he came to Don Bosco Technical Centre with a mission to become a skilled worker. He wanted to pursue his career as a qualified welder. After graduating from Don Bosco Technical Centre, he achieved his goal. While sharing his story he said that he faced a lot of difficulties in field but he never led his moral down. Now, Aqeel is running his own steel fabrication workshop in Sargodha. He has two workers and good amount of work as business. He told that after graduation he worked in many companies. He also mentioned that in the beginning of his career he was rejected many times but he never gave up. Aqeel told that now he is planning to help his younger brother to start his own welding shop in some other area.

Aqeel's family is very happy. His mother said being a younger son he is contributing a lot at home. His father told that Aqeel has taught his elder and youngest brothers fabrication work. Aqeel says that DBTC is only institution where one can learn all aspects of respectful life. Aqeel is also a member of Don Bosco's Alumni association Lahore Pakistan.

Challenges & Achievements



Social Media Accounts

WhatsApp Group:

+92-345-4143-832

+92-300-4709-789



Gmail Account:

donboscoalumni.pk@gmail.com



Facebook Account:

<https://web.facebook.com/donboscoalumnipakistan>



Zoom ID:

donboscoalumni.pk@gmail.com



Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/BoscoAlumni>



YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCE8pL9-4TZIaZoUPj8mxzpA>



LinkedIn:

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/don-bosco-alumni-association-b08180214/>



Words of the President

My name is Asif Daniel, graduate of Don Bosco Technical & Youth Centre, Lahore (Mechanical) Batch 2003–2005. This year I am graciously allowed to share some words as Don Bosco Alumni Association Pakistan President to the **12th Asia - Oceania Regional Congress of Don Bosco Past Pupils**.

I am very thankful to the Don Bosco Technical Centre, Lahore & all the Salesians community of Pakistan & specially our **Rector Rev. Fr. Noble Lal SDB** for his kindness and willingness to prosper this Past Pupils Association, because he is the one who took this initiative couple of years ago. I'm also much oblige all of my core committee members.

Dear Salesian Family & Past Pupils of All Over the World

Today all over the world celebrates the 150th anniversary from the founding moment of association of Past Pupils. In 1870, 24th of June Carlo Gastini and his fellow past pupils of Valdocco came to Don Bosco to congratulate him on his feast day. This was the moment when Don Bosco invited them to stay with him as a part of the Salesian Family & called them "Past Pupils".

Now we live in a blessed time when we can see and live after 150 years the dreams of Don Bosco for his Past Pupils. May this important day and following year of Past Pupils will enrich the Salesian Family and every life of Past Pupils and Friends of Don Bosco. For Past Pupils and Friends of Don Bosco, it is our core mission to live this year's strenna of the Rector Major: "Moved by Hope".

It is indeed part of our DNA and identity of what it means to be active and live as a Past Pupil and Friend of Don Bosco. We must be actively focused on sharing this year strenna, and its implications on our actions and lives among Past Pupils and Friends around the world. It is not only an impetus for us Past Pupils and friends as a group and association but it gives us a wider identity on our relationship with the Salesian Family.

Asif Daniel

President

Past Pupil Association Pakistan.



Activities successfully conducted by the Association

- ❖ The past pupils of Don Bosco are encouraged to be promoters of good environment and clean nature. All the past pupils are encouraged to plant saplings and contribute to the green cover and to collaborate with others who are interested in Eco concern activities.
- ❖ Started campaign on social media groups about WHO posters of having safe Interactions with others.
- ❖ Online alumni meetings via social media platforms
- ❖ Get vaccinated campaign
- ❖ Publicity of new admissions

