

# RAMADAN RELIEFFUND 2016

THE WORLD  
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OF INDIA'S MUSLIM COMMUNITIES

## Project Report

Thank you  
for bringing  
a little **cheer**  
into the lives of  
**so many**  
this Ramadan





## 40 YEARS OF GRATITUDE

This year, The World Federation is celebrating 40 years of serving humanity and I take this opportunity to gratefully acknowledge your past and present support of the Ramadan Relief Fund.

Aid in the form of food baskets, iftaars and cash to purchase basic items and services is given to thousands of beneficiaries as an outright gift to make the month of Ramadan a little easier. When you donate to the Ramadan Relief Fund, your support goes a long way in helping families restore the balance between their basic needs and their spiritual well-being where these very individuals send you a blessing with each gift you give.

We are pleased to share with you this year's Ramadan Relief report which includes testimonials and stories from beneficiary families as well as volunteers who worked tirelessly throughout the month. This year, thanks to the warm support of our donor community from around the world, we raised and delivered just over \$1.3 million USD in aid across 15 countries. This achievement was only possible with your support.

The World Federation continuously strives to improve the Ramadan Relief Program to help families that much more effectively and efficiently. We strive to distribute aid rapidly to ensure that the needs of families are taken care of. On behalf of every life you touched this Ramadan, thank you for opening your hearts to ease the hardships and burdens of over 90,800 men, women and children.

May the Almighty return your kindness.

*Mahmood Dhala*

Relief Coordinator  
WF-AID

# 5 FACTS ABOUT WORLD HUNGER

Over 25% of the world's undernourished live in Sub-Saharan Africa. 1 in 4 people in this region is chronically hungry.

Almost 1 in every 15 children in developing countries dies before age 5, most of them from hunger-related causes.

While hunger exists worldwide, 526 million hungry people live in Asia.

11.3% of the world's population is hungry. That's roughly 805 million people who go undernourished on a daily basis.

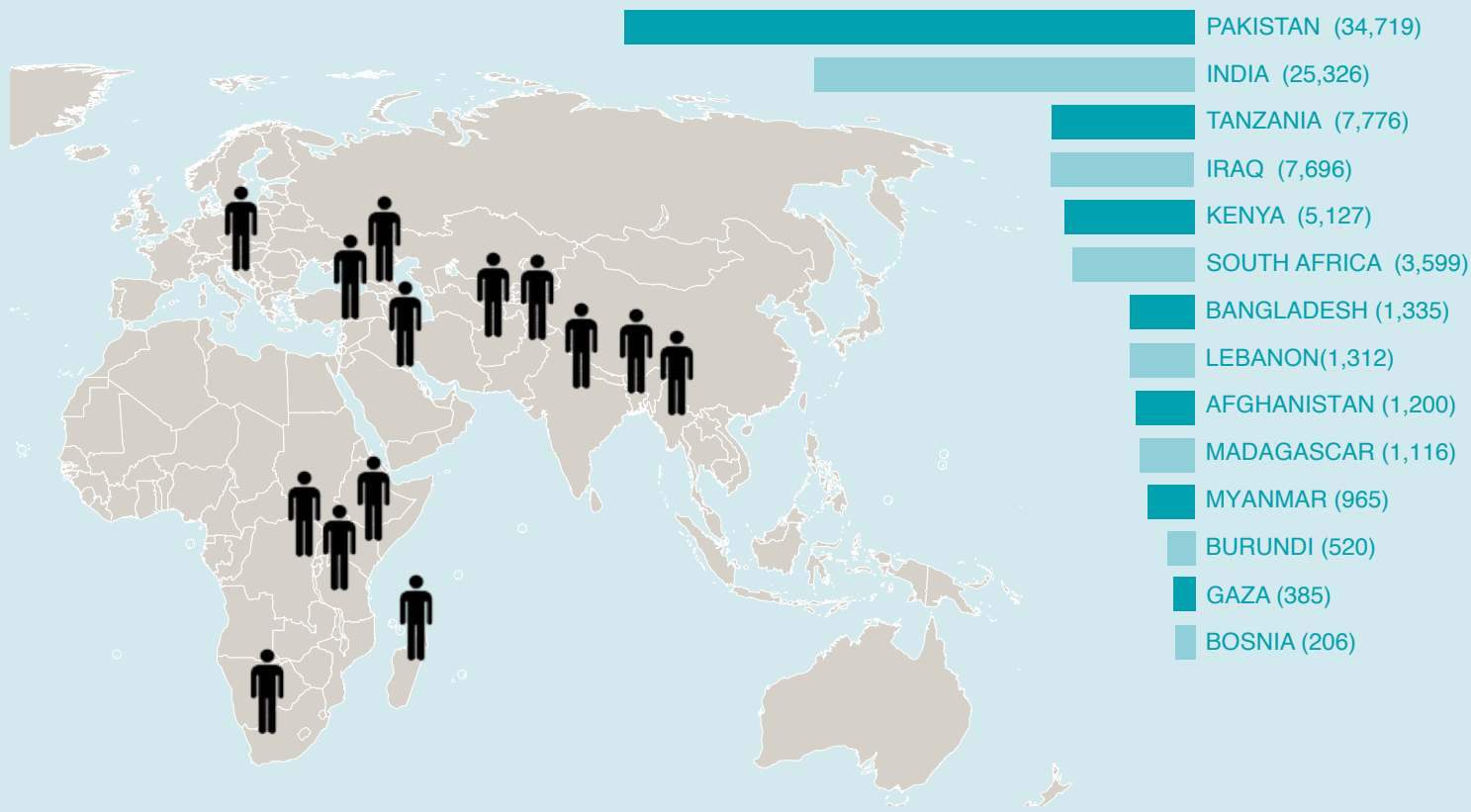
The world produces enough food to feed all 7 billion people; the hungry either do not have land to grow food or money to purchase it.

*Thank You,* for your wonderful support of the Ramadan Relief Fund this year!

# GLOBAL REACH

## LOCAL IMPACT





We reached out to over **90,800** people

# AFGHANISTAN

200

food  
baskets



Hayatullah, lives with his ailing wife and disabled daughter. At age 79, he has poor health and works as a labourer to earn for his family. If he misses even one day of work, his family will not be able to eat that day. In Ramadan, he worked while fasting. Tears flowed from his eyes when he received the food basket. He said, “this gift will feed my family and will enable me to save some money to take my wife to the doctor.”



Food baskets were distributed to families living in Ayoub Khen Mena, Dasht-e-Barchi, Kabul, Kote Sangi and Pul-e-Surkh in Afghanistan.



# BANGLADESH

267

cash gifts



Photo by Marufish

Syeda is a cancer patient; her husband is ill and unemployed. They live in Dhaka and received a cash gift to help them through difficult financial times during the month of Ramadan.





Cash gifts were provided to families living in Dhaka, Hussaini Dalan, Khalishpur, Khulna, Mirpur, Moghbazar, Mohammadpur, Old Dhaka and Ranpur.

# BOSNIA



20

food  
baskets

13

community  
iftaars

1

business  
startup



In Mostar, we helped a Bosnian family to start their own dairy farm business with the aim of becoming financially independent. 10 goats and equipment for a cheese room were gifted to this family with the Ramadan Relief Fund.



Food baskets and iftaars were arranged in Breza, Ilijas, Ljesevo, Vares and Visoko.

# BURUNDI

# 130

food  
baskets

Each food basket we gifted to families in Bujumbura contained milk, tomato paste, farine, maize flour, sugar, tea leaves, beans, rice, flour, cooking oil, and maweze.









# INDIA

Rubab is a widow at the young age of 37. She has 3 children and works as a house maid in Hyderabad. Her husband was brutally murdered and his body was found near a lake. Rubab's wages are not enough to cover her living expenses. To relieve this pressure, a food basket was delivered to her and her family for the month of Ramadan.

**4,884**  
food  
baskets

**1,100**  
individual  
iftaars

**1,287**  
cash  
gifts



Food baskets, iftaars, and cash gifts were delivered to families across India including rural and urban areas in Andhra Pradesh, Bangalore, Bihar, Hyderabad, Karnataka, Kolkata, Lucknow, Machilipatnam, Mumbai and Thane.



# IRAQ



**1,799**  
food  
baskets

**500**  
Eid gifts

In Hayyal Kuds, an elderly woman lives in a slum. She has five dependants and no income. Everyday, they sift through garbage in search of some food to eat. A food basket containing rice, sugar, lentils and oil was gifted to the family.







# KENYA

“We had no food in the house. My children would miss school because they were too weak to attend on account that there was no food for suhur and they were fasting. Thank you for the food basket. I thank God that they have food to eat and that they are going to school.”

food basket  
recipient



1,972

food  
baskets







Food baskets were delivered to families in Bahkanda, Bondeni, Kambi Somali, Kisulisuli, Lakeview, Manyani, Moyeni, Rhonda and Samburu.

# MADAGASCAR

279

food  
baskets



Each food basket we gifted to families contained rice, tea, sugar, flour, cooking oil, sweetened milk, tomato paste, pasta and cheese.





Food baskets were delivered to families living in Madagascar including Ambovombe, Antananarivo, Antsirabe, Antsohihy, Belo-sur-Tsiribihina, Fort Dauphin, Maevatanana, Majunga, Morombe, Morondava, Tamatave and Tulear.



# PAKISTAN

“On 8th Muharram, my husband and son were killed in a bomb blast on their way home from the mosque. My other son was injured and is still undergoing treatment. I also have three daughters and one of them is the only breadwinner in our family and earns a nominal salary to provide for us. Thank you for the food basket.”

food basket recipient

**558**

Eid gifts

**9,079**

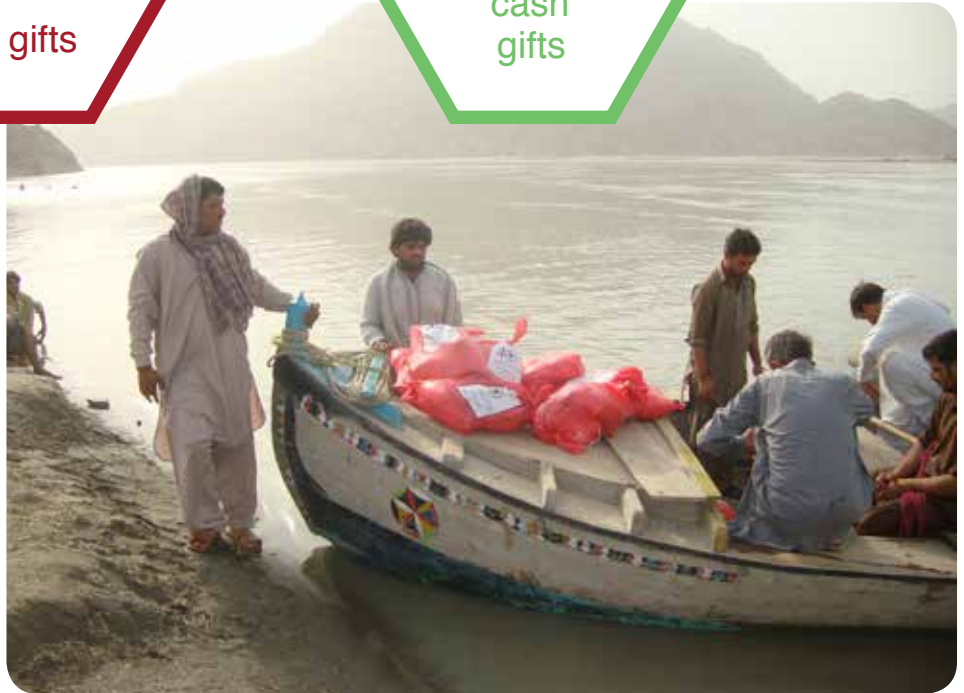
food  
baskets

**4**

cash  
gifts

**36**

community  
iftaars





Food baskets were delivered to families living in various villages and towns across Gilgit-Baltistan, Kashmir, KPK, Punjab and Sindh provinces.



# PALESTINE

**385**

food  
baskets



“Over 80% of Gaza relies on humanitarian aid to cover basic needs due to increased unemployment, high food prices and extreme volatility of the economy. With support from donors like The World Federation, we are able to provide food aid to the most vulnerable and poorest families. Food baskets distributed to beneficiaries in Ramadan satisfied 43.9% and 79.8% of the daily caloric requirements for absolute and abject poor families respectively.” UNRWA



# SOUTH AFRICA

81

food  
baskets

44

community  
iftaars



Many beneficiaries were reverts to the Islamic faith from underprivileged backgrounds. After accepting Islam, they lost the support of their families and the Ramadan Relief Program provided them with halal

and nutritious food to make the month of Ramadan a little easier.





Food baskets and community iftaars were arranged in Cape Town, JHB Central, Johannesburg, Kwandebele and Soweto.



# SYRIAN REFUGEES IN LEBANON

328

food  
baskets



Safa'a, her husband and two children have been repeatedly displaced since 2011. They lost their home, livelihoods and possessions. "I left my house with nothing but the clothes I was wearing; we could not bring anything," she says. Prior to the conflict, Safa'a's husband ran an electrical appliances store, but now relies on casual work. His sporadic wages are not enough to meet the family's needs. "We live in a single room," Safa'a says. "We escaped violence and fighting, but not hardship." She travelled for seven hours by bus to collect a food basket to feed her family.





# TANZANIA

“Last night I cried to my wife that how will we provide iftaar for our children? We often send them to our neighbour as we don't have enough food. I just had spine surgery. When I read about Ramadan Relief, it was as if God rescued me. Thank you.”

Food basket recipient

44

Eid gifts

1,342

food  
baskets

496

cash  
gifts

9

community  
iftaars

11

school fees  
rent support

1

new business  
start up





Volunteers delivered aid across Tanzania including Arusha, Bukoba, Dar es Salaam, Dodoma, Ilala, Kibaha, Kinondoni, Morogoro, Mwanza, Tanga, Temeke and Zanzibar.



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