

Rural Development Foundation RDF



2024

ANNUAL REPORT



CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

It is with great pride that we present the Rural Development Foundation (RDF) Annual Report 2024. RDF stands as a pillar of hope and progress, dedicated to creating meaningful change in our communities. Our initiatives, such as water filtration plants providing clean drinking water, vocational training centers empowering women with essential skills, effective solid waste management, innovative rainwater harvesting techniques, agro-business programs, and comprehensive mother-child healthcare projects, exemplify our unwavering commitment to sustainable development and empowerment.

As we reflect on the year gone by, we celebrate the resilience, dedication, and innovation demonstrated by the RDF team.

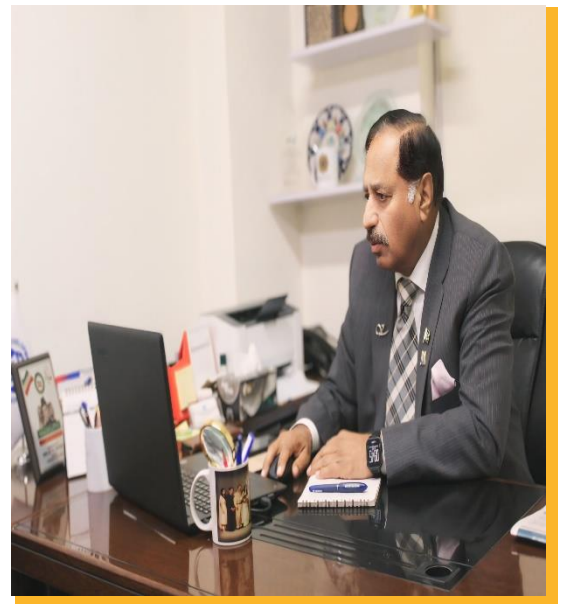
Their extraordinary efforts have not only overcome challenges but have also driven impactful transformations that are vividly reflected in this report. This success is a testament to the collaborative spirit of our stakeholders and supporters, for whom we are deeply grateful. Looking ahead, RDF remains steadfast in its focus on innovation, adaptability, and sustainability. In an ever-evolving world, embracing change is more than a necessity—it is an opportunity to redefine excellence and enhance the impact of our initiatives. Our pledge to deliver impactful solutions while maintaining the highest standards of integrity remains at the core of everything we do. We invite you to join us in this transformative journey towards building stronger, more resilient communities. Together, we can pave the way for a brighter, more prosperous future. Thank you for your continued support, which remains vital to our mission. Let us move forward with shared purpose and renewed commitment.



PRESIDENTS'S MESSAGE

Throughout 2024, the Rural Development Foundation (RDF) has successfully achieved its objectives, navigating the challenges posed by the prevailing economic conditions with resilience and determination. RDF remains steadfast in its mission to create a lasting impact in the lives of underprivileged individuals, upholding its vital contribution to the development sector. This remarkable progress would not have been possible without the unwavering support of our esteemed Chairman, Mr. Javed Sadiq Malik, and the invaluable guidance provided by our Board Members. I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the entire RDF team, whose dedication and tireless efforts have been instrumental in turning our vision into reality.

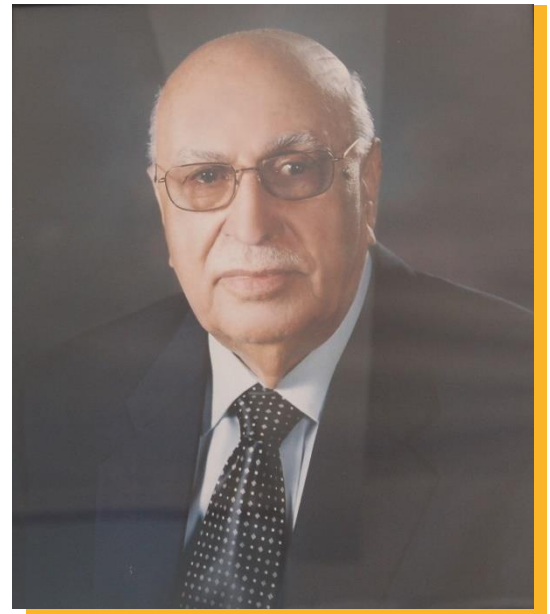
Together, we continue to strive towards building a brighter future for the communities we serve.



INTRODUCTION

The Rural Development Foundation (RDF), established in June 1978 by the late Dr. M. Sadiq Malik, is a non-political, non-profit, and non-governmental organization (NGO) with recognition at both national and international levels. Initially registered under the Societies Act XXI of 1860, RDF is now incorporated under Section 42 of the Companies Act, 2017.

At the national level, RDF collaborates with grassroots organizations, including Village Organizations (VOs) and Community-Based Organizations (CBOs), as active members. It also maintains strong connections with various global and local NGO networks. RDF holds consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) of the United Nations and is certified by the Pakistan Centre for Philanthropy (PCP) for its exemplary practices in internal governance, financial management, and program implementation.



ABOUT US

We empower rural communities to realize their collective potential, enabling them to drive their development based on their own aspirations and priorities.

VISION

To empower rural communities to unlock their true potential, fostering a life of dignity and the freedom to make their own choices.

MISSION

To promote a people-centered approach to rural development that is inclusive, participatory, and sustainable.

BOARD MEMBERS



1.	Mr. Javed Sadiq Malik – Renowned Bureaucrat, <i>Chairman</i>	9.	Dr. Kamal Hussain – Engineer, <i>Member</i>
2.	Ms. Saeeda Salim - Educationist, Vice President	10.	Dr. Ghulam Murtaza - Medical Professional, <i>Member</i>
3.	Brig. M. Aslam Khan (Retd) - Development Sector Expert, <i>President RDF</i>	11.	Dr. Tehmina Naz - Health Advocate, <i>Member</i>
4.	Dr. Syed Masood Ahmed Pasha - Health Specialist, <i>Member</i>	12.	Dr. M. Nawaz - Physician, <i>Member</i>

5.	Ms. Rukhsana Malik - Educationist, Member	13.	Maj. Gen. (Retd) Haroon -Educationist, Member
6.	Mr. Israr Muhammad Khan -- Director General, <i>Member</i>	14.	Mr. Sikandar Pasha - Disaster Risk Reduction Expert, Member
7.	Mr. Saeed Uz Zaman - AKNCRD Representative, Member	15.	Mr. Izma Rabbani - Social Worker, <i>Member</i>
8.	Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed Khan - Forestry Specialist, <i>Member</i>		

RDF's CORE AREAS

- Mother & Child Health Care
- Alternative Energy Channels Like Bio Gas
- Women Empowerment
- Solid Waste Management
- Disaster Management
- Climate Change
- Agriculture
- Education
- Poverty Reduction
- Skill Development

GOHDO CENTER, PROGRESS

Rainwater Harvesting Units

RDF maintained check and balance of Rain Water Harvesting Units at Gohdo. Promoting sustainability: RDF proudly maintains 3 Rainwater Harvesting Units in Gohdo, ensuring efficient water conservation and addressing community water needs. Rainwater harvesting unit utilized with Kitchen Gardening and for animals. Environmental stewardship, benefiting local residents and promoting resource optimization.



Kitchen Gardening

RDF maintained 14 kitchen gardens in Union Council Ghari Afghana, including 10 in various villages and 4 in Gohdo. Regular monitoring and a robust system of checks and balances ensure the sustained productivity of these gardens, which provide fresh, organic produce to rural households. With increasing demand from the community, this initiative continues to grow in significance, fostering food security, self-reliance, and sustainable agricultural practices.



Tele- Health and Mother & Child Healthcare Unit

Mother and Child Healthcare Unit of RDF has doctors who are checking patients every day online as well as physical, at Gohdo Center. The Mother and Child Healthcare Unit at RDF Center Gohdo provided daily medical services throughout the year, serving a total of 2,452 patients in 2024, reflecting our commitment to health and well-being

Months	Patients
January	292
February	180
March	173
April	160
May	148
June	224
July	227
August	254
September	232
October	162
November	180
December	220





Water Filtration Plants

RDF continues to maintain its two water filtration plants located in the villages of Union Council Ghari Afghana, Tehsil Taxila. These facilities provide clean and safe drinking water to approximately 6,000 residents, significantly improving public health and quality of life in the region. Our center in Gohdo serves as a focal point for community engagement and operational support, reinforcing RDF's commitment to sustainable rural development.



Skill Development & Vocational Center

RDF sustained the operations of its Skill Development Centre/Vocational Training Centre (VTC) in Gohdo, offering courses in knitting, sewing, embroidery, and glasswork. This year, the center strengthened its capacity by hiring two new teachers, ensuring high-quality instruction and enhanced learning opportunities. Throughout the year, two six-month batches of 32 students each successfully completed their training, resulting in 64 skilled graduates. The center remains a cornerstone of RDF's efforts to empower rural women, equipping them with valuable



skills, fostering economic independence, and contributing to sustainable community development.



Solid Waste Management

RDF extended its care by facilitating a Solid Waste Management (SWM) unit in Union Council Ghari Afghana, with its center located in Gohdo, Tehsil Taxila. This initiative is currently benefiting 200 households by ensuring efficient waste management and promoting environmental well-being. However, the demand for such services exceeds the current capacity, highlighting the need for further expansion.



Establishment Of Computer Literacy Center

RDF took a significant step toward digital empowerment by establishing a Computer Literacy Center in Gohdo. Currently, 28 students are enrolled in the Office Automation course, equipping themselves with essential computer skills to enhance their career prospects and adapt to the demands of a modern workforce.





PARIAL CENTER, PROGRESS

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MEETINGS

RDF's AGM, January 16, 2024

RDF's 45th AGM Marks a Milestone. Mr. Javed Sadiq Malik and Brig. (R) Muhammad Aslam Khan, leading figures at RDF, steered the meeting with grace. Distinguished Council members, including Ms. Rukhsana Malik and Mr. Saeed uz Zaman, Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed Khan, Dr. Tehmina Naz, Izma Rabbani, Dr. Muhammad Nawaz, Mr. Arifullah, Mr. Nadir Ali, Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed and Mr. Anwarul Hassan Gillani participated and actively engaged in discussions on RDF's impactful projects. The AGM showcased the commitment of all participants to rural development of Pakistan. As ideas for future progress flowed, participants lauded RDF's unwavering contributions to Pakistan's rural communities. A united front, poised for transformative change, as RDF continues its vital work across the heartlands of Pakistan.



Meeting With Australian Lion Club

Mr. Niaz Jan Nisar of the Australian Lion Club extends warm appreciation to Rural Development Foundation on January 16, 2024, for their impactful contributions. Excitement fills the air as both entities eagerly anticipate a collaborative journey towards positive change.



Meeting with Energy Experts

Energy experts M. Siddiqui Malik, Muhammad Anwar Panazai, and Prof. Dr. Muhammad Mohsin Javed engaged in insightful discussions and presentations on Pakistan's energy crisis during their visit to RDF on January 25, 2024. The meeting, facilitated by RDF President and Council member Dr. Nawaz, focused on collaborative solutions to address the pressing challenges in the energy sector.



Meeting with UK Writer

Renowned UK-based writer and award-winning Ms. Farah Malik honored with insights into Rural Development Foundation's impactful work in Pakistani rural areas on January 25, 2024. A mutual exchange of appreciation as President RDF presents her with a souvenir, reciprocated graciously by Ms. Farah Malik. Bridging borders for a shared commitment to rural development.



Meeting with Leaders from NPJ, GEF, and CEC

Charting the path towards progress! Today, Mian Abdul Waheed Chairman National Peace and Justice, Nasira Tahir CEO Global Empowerment Forum, and Tahir Ashraf Mughal Ambassador at Commom Wealth Entrepreneurs Club engaged in an insightful meeting with RDF's President on February 21, 2024, exploring



avenues for collaboration. With a focus on empowering communities and fostering development, discussions were rich with ideas and potential joint ventures. Stay tuned for the exciting journey ahead.

Meeting with Community in Gohdo

Taxila villagers and Rural Development Foundation members gathered at the RDF Centre in Gohdo for a community meeting on February 25, 2024. Together, they conducted a Needs Assessment, discussing existing challenges and seeking coordination from RDF to address them. A collaborative effort towards rural development is underway by RDF!"



Director WFA meet with President RDF

Mr. Azhar Director "Water for Africa" met with president, RDF and team to discuss joint hands in future for addressing with projects in Pakistan.

