

Inauguration – ICT Centre, Government Girls Degree College Lodhran

Jahangir Khan Tareen inaugurated the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Centre of Government Girls Degree College Lodhran on February 28, 2020.



ICT Centre has been established by Tareen Education Foundation (TEF) costing PKR 2.5 million. TEF has provided the ICT Centre with 51 personal computers, projection with sound system, air conditioners, high-speed internet, and backup power system.

It is the 1st ICT Centre in Lodhran established by TEF, which is one of a kind. TEF has established two Digital Learning Centers were established in Lodhran Public School and Government Girls High School Lodhran. TEF believes in bridging the digital divide and ensuring that students of remote areas, especially girls, have access to quality ICT education.

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MOBILE STEM UNIT (pilot project)

TEF has taken another initiative, *STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Mobile Unit*, to promote quality education in the government middle schools. Initially, the unit comprises of following programmes: information technology, mobile tablet, and library programme. The programme will provide students: access to the mobile computer lab; a platform to progress on the government's initiative - *Literacy & Numeracy Drive (LND)*, and the mobile library. It will undoubtedly help students to excel in digital education, bridge digital literacy gap, and develop reading habits.



It is currently a pilot project to take into account the on-ground obstacles before the full-fledged launch. Once launched at a larger scale, it will cast an impact on the higher number of students. It is a step to facilitate the students of middle schools who do not have access to these facilities.



34th International Book Fair, Lahore

On Feb 9th 2020, a team comprising of 7 librarians led by Library Coordinator Shafeeq Sukhera travelled to Lahore to attend 34th International Book Fair in Expo Center, Lahore. The team got a chance to meet various people who had come all the way to attend this fair. It also visited different books stalls, and engaged itself in a healthy discussion about the impacts books have on the mind. The collection was ample covering aspects of Literature, History, Sciences, and Islamic Studies, to name a few.

It must be said that it was a pleasant and informative visit.



Eye Examination – School Health Programme

The School Health Programme is having the eye examination, of 350+ students from 52 Government high and higher secondary schools, done through the experienced optometrist. These students will be provided with a pair of eyeglasses each to have their vision corrected. TEF is striving to provide the children of Lodhran with eyeglasses to help them get their vision back.

Initially, in Phase-1, as a part of this programme, the eye screening camps were organized by the School Health Program across 64 schools and 9000 students' eyesight was examined.



Digital Skills Training Programme

Tareen Education Foundation has been working to ensure access to Information and Communication Technology education and promoting the active participation of women in the digital society.

Recently, TEF has teamed up with Digiskills – an initiative of the Ministry of Information Technology & Telecom – and registered 150+ students of Government Girls Degree College Lodhran and Amina Girls Higher Secondary School, along with 50 staff members.

The online educational platform is aimed at enhancing the freelancing skills by providing the students with a platform to choose from a pool of various courses. TEF is determined to improve the skills of the girls so that they can become an active member of the workforce of Pakistan and contribute to the economy of the country.

