

Inter-schools Debate and Painting Competition on Health & Hygiene

"Cleanliness begins from self and we all are responsible for the environment we inhabit."



Quetta Urban Development Programme under RAHA

The inter-schools debate and painting competition was held at Government Girls' High School Kuchlak on 13th July 2012. 16 students participated in the Inter-schools' Debate and Painting Competition. The event was attended by teachers and civil society members.



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Innovative Development Organization is implementing the Quetta Urban Development Program (QUDP) under RAHA with the support of UNHCR and in collaboration with Commissioner Afghan Refugee Office. The target areas of the project are Union Council Lore Karez and Union Council Kuchlak. The main focus of the project is to construct sanitation schemes and street pavements, provision of enterprise development opportunities in UC Lore Karez and Construction of collection points for solid waste in UC Kuchlak.

An integral part of the project is raising awareness in the target communities regarding health and hygiene and strengthening social cohesion between host and refugee communities.

Following the aim of enhancing the awareness of children primarily and other community actors in general, about safe health and hygiene practices, a competition for speech making and painting was organized for 3 schools in Kuchlak City. The event was planned at Government Girls' High School Kuchlak. 93 students participated in the debate completion. The students were allowed to make speeches in Urdu and English languages. The topic for the speech in both categories was "Cleanliness and the Role of Society."

In the painting competition, students displayed their art work about the topic of Health and Hygiene and its importance to the lives of individuals and the society. 04 students participated in the painting competition.

More than 90 students and 16 teachers and community members attended the programme.

In their speeches, the participants introduced health and hygiene to the audience and explained their important to the individual. The speakers also shared the social, physical and religious value and benefits of maintaining healthy health and hygiene. The students exhibited good knowledge about cleanliness and pointed out various drawbacks of the society and the government as far as their responsibilities and roles regarding a clean environment were concerned. The speakers urged the audience to spread awareness at their level in their friends, relatives and family members. The participants also appealed to the government to transform their words to actions. Religious beliefs and holy sayings about cleanliness were shared with the audience.

In the painting competition, the students drew on paper their feelings about health and hygiene, the actions required to be taken and the prevailing conditions in their city. The students expressed through the medium of art how their society requires to change and what the people should and should not do on individual level to transform the environment for a safer and healthier grooming.

The audience was also briefed about the objectives of the Quetta Urban Development Program under RAHA implemented with the support of UNHCR.

In the end, all the winners received trophies and a certificate was presented to all the participating students.

It is hoped that along with providing opportunities for co-curricular activities, such events will raise more awareness in students about the need for an improved environment and the roles of all stake holders.

Winner Paintings

