



Women and Peace

A listing of organizations
working for
women's rights *and* peace
in Pakistan
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WOMEN AND PEACE: AN INCOMPLETE SOUTH ASIAN DIRECTORY

This project originated in a quest to identify potential partners for peace-related projects. That quest shifted shape, but we kept the kernel of the work and expanded its scope to include all SAARC member countries.

We started with the question, “Which women’s organizations work on peace?” But given that feminists define peace as far more than the cessation of conflict and hostilities, the term was hardly a filter. After all, peace is also empowerment, engaged citizenship, good governance, sustainable development and a free flow of information and expression. As we identified organizations across a spectrum of activities, we began to tag them with ‘keywords’:

- Peace and conflict transformation
- Women’s rights and empowerment
- Capacity building and community mobilization
- Governance and policy advocacy
- Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development
- Information and communication

The keywords are simply intended to help in our search to identify resources and partners, not to narrowly define an organization’s work in any way.

The directory is the product of a desk-based Internet search. We invite you to email us with names and website addresses for organizations you think should be included. Email us at prajnyatrust@gmail.com.

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All Pakistan Women Association (APWA)	Karachi	Women's rights and Empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development	info@apwapakistan.com	9
Aurat Foundation	Islamabad	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's Rights and Empowerment Capacity building and community mobilization; Information and communication	headoffice@af.org.pk	10
AWARE GIRLS	Peshawar	Peace and Conflict Transformation; Women's Rights and Empowerment; Capacity Building and Community Mobilization	aware_girls@yahoo.com	11
Awaz-e-Niswan	Lahore	Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization; Information and communication	info@awaz-e-niswan.org	12
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Center for Peace & Justice Pakistan (CDJP)	Lahore	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Governance reforms and policy advocacy	hshar@cpjp.org	14
Chanan Development Association(CDA)	Islamabad	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Governance reforms and policy advocacy; Capacity building and community mobilization	sana@cdapak.org	15
INSAN Foundation Trust	Islamabad	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization	info@insanfoundationtrust.org	16
Institute of Peace and Diplomacy (IPD)	Lahore	Peace and conflict transformation; Information and communication	ipd.pakistan@gmail.com	17
Just Peace Initiatives (JPI)	Lahore	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development	justpeacemail@gmail.com	18

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Kafka Welfare Organization	Peshawar	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development; Information and communication	kafkawo@gmail.com	19
Khwendo Kor	Peshawar	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development	kkwcdp@khwendokor.org.pk	20
Mehergarh Center for Learning	Islamabad	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Governance reforms and policy advocacy; Information and communication	info@mehergarh.org	21
Organization for Peace and Development (OPD)	Islamabad	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment	opdpeace@yahoo.com	22
Peace Education and Development Foundation (PEAD)	Islamabad	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Information and communication	info@pead.org.pk	23
Potohar Organization for Development Advocacy (PODA)	Karachi	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization	info@poda.org.pk	24

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Shirkat Gah (Women Resource Center)	Multan	Peace and conflict transformation; Capacity building and community mobilization; Information and communication	admin@shirkatgah.org	27
Simorgh- Women's Resource and Publication Center	Multan	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Information and communication	info@simorgh.org.pk	28
Strengthening Participatory Organization (SPO)	Karachi	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development; Governance reforms and policy advocacy		29

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Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)	Peshawar	Peace and conflict transformation; Governance reforms and policy advocacy; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development	main@sdpi.org	30
Swat Youth Front (SYF)	Peshawar	Peace and conflict transformation; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development	syf@syfswat.org	31
Tabeer Welfare Organization	Quetta	Women's rights and empowerment; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development; Information and communication	tabeerfoundation.ngo@hotmail.co.uk	32
Tehreek-e-Niswan	Islamabad	Information and communication; Women's rights and empowerment	tehrik@hotmail.com tehrik@gmail.com	33
Tribal Women Welfare Association (TWWA)	Karachi	Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization	twwa-pak@hotmail.com	34
WomenShade	Peshawar	Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization	info@womenshade.org	35

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Women's Organization for Rights and Development (WORD)	Lahore	Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization	aqsa.khan@word.org.pk	36

ALL PAKISTAN WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (APWA)

<http://www.apwapakistan.com/>

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Factfile

- APWA was founded in 1949 by Miss Begum Ra'ana Liaquat Ali Khan, a famous activist for women's rights and the wife of Pakistan's first Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan. The Fundamental aim of the organization is furtherance of the moral, social and economic welfare of the women of Pakistan.
- It is Pakistan's oldest NGO and was awarded the UNESCO Adult Literacy Prize in 1974.

Areas of activity

APWA collaborates with international agencies:

- Building peace and co-operation skills by organizing forums for exchanging ideas on from various organizations and civil society.
- Skill development for women at the community level.
- Income generation and employment opportunity for underprivileged women through APWA's cottage industries shop and craftsman colony in Karachi.
- Health services exclusively for women.
- Raising funds for providing relief materials to conflict and disaster hit areas.

AURAT FOUNDATION

<http://www.af.org.pk>

Keywords: Peace and conflict transformation; Women's Rights and Empowerment Capacity building and community mobilization; Information and communication

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Fact file

- Aurat Foundation was established in 1986 as a non-profit organization with its head office in Islamabad and regional offices in Lahore, Karachi, Peshawar and Quetta. It is headed by Dr Masuma Hasan who was Ex-secretary in the cabinet division in government of Pakistan.
- AF has a nationwide network of citizen groups and individual volunteers and these groups include Citizens Action Committees (CACs), Resource Groups and Aurat Foundation Resource Centres (AF-RCs) and Information Network Centres (INCs) which strives to facilitate women's greater participation in political processes and governance.

Areas of activity

Aurat Foundation's service for women empowerment and relief includes:

- Political education to women.
- Public demonstrations to increase women's involvement in political and social environment.
- Gender equity programmes for women's access to justice, economic empowerment and combating gender-based violence.
- Workshops and seminars to promote democracy, genuine electoral practices through the five year AAWAZ project.
- Women Learning Partnership (WLP) initiative to expand women's leadership and presence in decision-making bodies
- Documenting incidents of violence against women and raising the issue to the judiciary through the Policy and data monitor on Violence against Women (PDM_VAW).
- Relief and rehabilitation to disaster and conflict hit areas by mobilizing funds and materials.

AWARE GIRLS

<http://awaregirls.webs.com>

Keywords: Peace and Conflict Transformation; Women's Rights and Empowerment; Capacity Building and Community Mobilization

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Factfile

- AWARE Girls was started by Miss Gulalai Ismail at age 16. Today the organization is well known as a platform for young women in the conflict hit North Western parts of Pakistan.
- Their main area of operation is on North western province of Khyber, FATA (Federally Administered Tribal Areas) and Balochistan Province and are extensively working for building a sustainable peace for women in these violence hit region.

Areas of activity

- Seeds of Peace project for educating 25 peace activists per year in the North West region of Pakistan.
- Education camps to impart values of tolerance, non-violence, and human rights, preventing youth from indulging in militancy.
- Survey and research of lives of women in conflict areas to understand the effects of conflicts on women under the Engendering Humanitarian Response project.
- Building leadership skills of women in the North West region.
- Economic empowerment of 30 slum women every year by providing training them on micro-entrepreneurship and financing them through micro-credit banks.

AWAZ-E-NISWAN

<http://www.awaz-e-niswan.org>

Keywords: Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization; Information and communication

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Fact File

- Awaz-e-Niswan, which means Voice of Women in Urdu, is a non-government, non-profit, and secular registered women organization formed in 2001. It aims to raise the concerns of weaker segments of society especially single mothers heading the families and strengthen the overall process of social development. It has set up offices in Lahore, Sheikhpura and Faisalabad.
- The Organization is run by its Chairperson, Ms Aqeela.

Areas of activity

Awaz-e-Niswan's contributions to women empowerment in Pakistan are through:

- The Women Empowerment (WE) program for enhancing knowledge and skills of women through setting training centers for entrepreneurship, legal awareness and peace building.
- Training of children of age group (4-12) as peace educators through the Child Learning Approaches Program (CLAP).
- Training skills of youth by imparting health education, career counseling and gender education by the Responsive Youth Turns Humanity (RHYTHM).
- Social peace building activities like celebration of religious events together, peace dialogues and media counseling through the LIFE for ALL programmes.
- Generating awareness to the general public on women issues by Chanan Theatre group of Awaz-e-Niswan.

Note

- Awaz-e-Niswan has special focus on single mothers to make them financially independent by enhancing their skills and knowledge.

BLUE VEINS

<http://www.blueveins.org/>

Keywords: Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Governance reforms and policy advocacy; Information and communication

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Factfile

- Blue Veins was established on 23 March 1999 to build the leadership capacities of women to add their voices to processes of social change and assisting Women's Organization (WOs) and Community Based Organizations (CBOs) for capacity building in the field of training as a tool to promote and enhance economic and social development.
- The organization has over 300 volunteers, 500 trained facilitators and has handled over 114 projects.

Areas of activity

Blue Veins community welfare activities include:

- Engaging students, media and lawyers on building dialogues with the government and judiciary address the massive gender equality in Pakistan.
- Training men and young boys on gender equality through workshops in order to prevent them from committing violence against women.
- Enabling women access to justice by sensitizing women to file First Information Report (FIR) in Urdu language.
- Consultation and networking with other NGOs for implementing civil society law reforms that would enable a more legal and democratic environment for NGOs to operate.
- Coaching selected women to build their leadership skills.

Note

- Blue Veins has initiated a program MOVE (Men Overcoming Violence) covering the districts of Peshawar. The program aims to help men change. Rather than see a relationship collapse resulting in a family break up or violence at family level, MOVE facilitates men in a weekly group that involves them taking responsibility for their violence and changing their attitudes and behavior.

CENTER FOR PEACE & JUSTICE PAKISTAN (CPJP)

<http://www.transconflict.com/gcct/gcct-members/asia/pakistan/centre-for-peace-and-justice-pakistan/>

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Factfile

- CPJP was established in 1995 and was officially registered in 2010 as an Karachi - based NGO by a group of layers, scholars and intellectuals. Its main objective is to strengthen peace and justice in Pakistan by creating awareness and generating funds for the empowerment women, minorities and victims of conflict.

Areas of activity

CPJP has been extensively focused on peaceful Indo-Pak and domestic conflict resolution through activities based on:

- Providing legal assistance to women affected by violence and conflict.
- Raising awareness through public workshops to women to report against violence perpetuated against them.
- Advocating for the release of fisherman captured by both India and Pakistan as peace building measure by both the countries.
- Preventing clashes between tribal communities by training tribal leaders in peace mediation skills.
- Research on environment protection by studying the poor performance of the Pakistan Environmental protection act.

CHANAN DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (CDA)

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Factfile

- Chanan Development Association (CDA) is a national youth-led organization established in 2004 by Mr. Muhammad Shahzad Khan and Ms. Sana Sohail with an idea based on social change through art-based development approach. The distinctiveness in CDA's work is attributed to giving visual images to social issues.

Areas of activity

CDA's works on building peace and women empowerment on Balochistan region through:

- The Balochistan Peace Forums (BPF) which is engaged in mediating dialogues between the Balochistan youth and Parliamentarians.
- Capacity building of youth for employment through the BPF.
- Providing education to girls working as domestic workers through the Young Women Empowerment center established with the aid of Starbucks.
- Producing theatre and video documentaries to sensitize public and policymakers on women's issues.
- Active Citizens project for conducting four-day workshops exclusively for the youth training them on Intercultural dialogues, democracy and duties as a citizen.

INSAN FOUNDATION TRUST

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Factfile

- INSAN was established in Lahore in 2000 to enable diverse communities, public and private institutions, civil society organizations, youths and women groups to demonstrate gender equality, women's empowerment, negotiated peace, diversity and tolerance in social, political and economic fields.
- The organization particularly adheres to the principles of the Child Rights Convention (CRC), the Convention for Elimination of all kinds of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and those laws of the land which are in conformity with the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).

Areas of activity

INSAN promotes negotiated peace, democratic values and women's rights through:

- Educating children, youth and communities in peace and conflict resolution under the Child development and youth Leadership program (CDYLP).
- Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment Program (GEWEP) for providing skill development for women in field's technical, social, political and economic arena.
- Leadership training for potential women leaders to facilitate women parliamentarians.
- Establishment of psychological and legal counseling units in private shelters for legal assistance to women survivors of conflict.
- Ethnic and religious diversity project for training a minimum of 100 students and 10 teachers on peaceful co-existence.
- Involving youth in sports in Quetta and Peshawar to prevent them indulging in extremism and other anti social activities through the sports and play project.

INSTITUTE OF PEACE AND DIPLOMACY (IPD)

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Factfile

- Institute of Peace and Diplomacy (IPD) is an NGO launched in January 2013 with an aim to provide neutral space to stakeholders to share ideas, exchange views, experiences, understanding of the issues through innovative research and practices worldwide. IDP strives to provide strength to global peace through dialogue & diplomacy.
- IPD is led by Miss. Farhat Asif who is the Executive director. She is a researcher, analyst, writer and publisher.

Areas of activity

Activities of IDP include:

- Conducting regular seminars on topics such as nuclear security, arms control, role of women, civilian and media in peace building.
- Joint program for Pakistan and Azerbaijan students to analyze conflicts and peace building through the "Azerbaijan-Pakistan Youth Society" project.
- Research on religious extremism caused due to money laundering through conflict sensitive journalism.
- Generating awareness and knowledge on peace and diplomacy by publishing a large number of journals, magazines and articles.

Note

- IDP is very active in print media by publishing monthly magazines, journals and news-letter. Its magazine The Diplomatic Insight Magazine is Pakistan's first multi-lingual, English-Arabic-Persian with a theme, "Peace through Informed Dialogue."

JUST PEACE INITIATIVES

<http://www.justpeaceint.org/>

Keywords: Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development

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Factfile

- Just Peace Initiatives, a nonprofit organization, that aims to work for JUSTICE & PEACE through conflict Transformation methods in order to protect and promote constructive peace by assisting, advocating and empowering the grass roots communities, organizations, governments and the civil societies.

Areas of activity

JPI's work on promoting peace and justice by:

- Contributing to build a just and peaceful society through imparting education on conflict transformation by conducting classes.
- Designing and implementation peace curriculum for schools and education centers.
- Relief and rehabilitation to victims of calamities and wars through monetary assistance and establishing trauma healing centers.
- Workshops on educating communities on water conservation and the ill-effects of drug use.
- To apply methods of mediation and restorative justice in the criminal justice system through legal advocacy.

KAFKA WELFARE ORGANIZATION

<http://kafkado.webs.com>

Keyword: Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment; Gender, welfare, relief and sustainable development; Information and communication

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Factfile

- KWO is non-government and nonprofit organization which is established and run by a team of young people to address the issues of violence against women, gender based discrimination and vulnerable communities of Pakistan. The vision of KWO is a "gender-sensitized, violence-free, democratic and peaceful society."

Areas of activity

KWO's work on peace and women empowerment involves:

- Conducting workshops on versatile topics like peace and conflict resolution, citizen journalism civic education and climate change.
- Awareness on gender equality and women empowerment through social media.
- Education environment protection and climate change by direct interaction with the rural public.
- Promotion of laws for child protection and youth development through legal advocacy centers.

KHWENDO KOR

<http://www.khwendokor.org.pk>

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Factfile

- Established in 1993 Khwendo Kor which means "Sister Home" in Pashto language is a North West Pakistan based NGO. KK is one of the oldest and biggest NGO in this conflict hit region which is underdeveloped, volatile and insecure.
- KK holds an eminent position as Right based organization in Khyber Pakhtun Khwa (KPK) and Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) and is headed Ms. Maryam Bibi who is the Chief Executive of the organization.

Areas of activity

Khwendo Kor's activities are primarily intended for the tribal women of Pakistan:

- Relief and rehabilitation activities particularly for women Federally Administered tribal Area (FATA) with support of UNICEF.
- Economic empowerment of tribal women by providing micro-credit for agriculture, animal husbandry and village shops.
- Education and skill training by the Khwendokor Area Coordination Committee (KACC) made up of professionals and educationalists.
- Offering monetary incentives for enrollment of girls in schools.
- 300 self development centers for rural women to have economic independence.

Note

- Khwendo Kor started marketing of Mazri (local name for dwarf palm) products in July 2006; this program helps to build confidence of poor females to decide and select their own business and to establish linkages with relevant organizations and institutions.

MEHERGARH CENTRE FOR LEARNING

<http://mehergarh.org>

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Factfile

- Mehergarh is a centre for learning in the area of human rights in Pakistan, working mainly with young people. It was established by Dr. Fouzia Saeed who is a prominent, respected figure in the field of human rights in Pakistan.

Area of activity

Mehergarh's pro-democratic and women empowerment activities include:

- Promoting and strengthening democracy by informing people of their rights and responsibilities by conducting events, trainings and campaigns.
- Educating people on women's issues through theaters, songs, and storytelling.
- Promoting various pro-women laws and identifying gaps in legal framework by the work of the Legal Advocacy Unite of Mehergarh.
- Countering the growing trends intolerance in Pakistan by designing special workshop programmes on secularism.

Note

- Mehergarh has its own media production and publication unit which produces video documentary films to ensure that social actions for change in the society are embedded in proper inquiry, research and publications are generated as needed under its various program.

Organization for Peace and Development

Keywords: Peace and conflict transformation; Women's rights and empowerment

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Factfile

- OPD is working to create awareness of, demonstrate and spread innovative approaches to promoting peace and development in Pakistan. OPD achieves this by providing information and resources to marginalized and indigenous groups across the country.

Areas of activity

OPD's peace-building work includes:

- Educating children's on peace building and conflict resolution which can be applied in daily life through the OPD's peace education program primarily run in schools.
- Seminars and workshops to build interfaith harmony to promote secularism.
- Providing awareness and information for human rights education.
- Special focus on condition of women in south Asian region through networking with organizations of the region.

PEACE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (PEAD)

<http://www.pead.org.pk>

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- PEAD was established in 2002 with special focus on the Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province and Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) engaged in de-radicalization and counter-extremism efforts in Pakistan. The vision of the organization is a peaceful, democratic and sustainable Pakistan.
- PEAD is led by Ms. Sameena Imtiaz who is the Executive Director.

Areas of activity

PEAD's contributions to peace building in tribal regions of Pakistan are:

- To sensitize students and teachers of FATA, Khyber & Peshawar on the importance of their role as peace promoters by equipping students and teachers with conflict prevention skills.
- Countering radicalization, religious extremism and violence in the society by providing a platform to civil society activists working on peace initiatives lectures.
- Enhancing cross-border cooperation between Afghanistan and Pakistan by engaging and empowering women from both countries through training camps in the border.
- Promoting awareness on topics like women rights, secularism and citizens role in elections through radio programs.

POTOHAR ORGANIZATION FOR DEVELOPMENT ADVOCACY (PODA)

<http://www.poda.org.pk>

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Factfile

- PODA was established in 2003 as women's rights NGO working in the rural areas with a vision of a democratic society based on education and gender equality by empowering rural women through non-formal education and legal empowerment to build a locally democratic and globally peaceful society.

Areas of activity

PODA's contribution to gender equality includes:

- Educating and facilitating women to vote by assisting them getting ID cards, documents and election procedures.
- Documentation of the problems faced by rural women in voting and reporting them to the government in order to address those problems.
- Has trained over 500 women farmers in sustainable cultivation methods through its Women Agricultural programme.
- Capacity building workshops to train 100 women every year in skills like design innovation, marketing skills and women's rights.
- Annual conferences held exclusively for rural women in various districts discussing the various issues faced by them.

Note

- The organization largely supports its projects through marketing products made by rural women artisans.

ROZAN

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Keywords: Women's rights and empowerment; Capacity building and community mobilization

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Factfile

- ROZAN was established in December 1998 as an NGO working on issues related to emotional and psychological health, gender, violence against women and children. It is run by a team of psychologists, social workers, volunteers and supporters and strives in working for a society that is violence free, self aware and accepting of itself and others.
- The organizations were founded and head by Dr. Ambreen Ahmed who is a psychiatrist.

Areas of activity

ROZAN's pro-women activities include:

- Conducting workshops for staff working various civil societies and communities to address violence against women under the "Zeest" program.
- Working along the public sector to improve the quality of services in state run shelter for women and refugees.
- Setting up curriculum and lectures in the Police training academies on handling of women's cases.
- Providing essential mental health support for women affected by violence.

Note

- ROZAN provides extensive counseling services on demand and also conducts a program called 'Humqadam' which aims at creating spaces for men to engage on the issue of violence against women. This program engages men and boys at the community level to raise awareness and mobilize youth for taking the responsibility of addressing gender based violence at a personal and community level.

SACH (Struggle for Change)

<http://sach.org.pk>

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- SACH was established in 1994 as an NGO working for the rehabilitation and reintegration of the survivors of conflict. SACH closely works with the government of Pakistan, Ministry of Women Development, Social Welfare and Special Education in its ongoing crisis center for women Program, women police station, ministry of law and human rights.
- The organization is headed by Ms. Khalida who is its Executive Director and has offices in Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Peshawar and Haripur.

Areas of activity

SACH's operation on relief and rehabilitation of women affected by conflict consists of:

- Rehabilitation of Internally Displaced People in the federally administered tribal areas and Swat district.
- Collecting data through survey of the refugees and monitor the progress of rehabilitation.
- Capacity building activities with health professionals, police, civil society, media and ministerial authorities by conducting year long workshops.
- Counseling centers established for providing legal services for refugees especially women.
- Fighting violence against women by closely working along side police and monitoring their actions towards cases of women.
- Training the police personnel on the importance of gender sensitivity in their handling of cases.

SHIRKAT GAH (WOMEN RESOURCE CENTER)

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Factfile

- Shirkat Gah was established in 1975 by Ms. Hilda Saeed who has been an active advocate of women's rights. SG operates offices in Lahore, Karachi and Peshawar with strategic objective to strengthen women to raise their individual and collective voices against patriarchy and other obstructive factors, claim their democratic rights and demand social justice from the local to the global.

Areas of activity

SG's activity for women's rights includes:

- Basic assessment and research to identify the needs of women in conflict and post conflict situations.
- Focus on reconstruction and rehabilitation of women in post conflict areas through its Women Friendly Spaces (WFS) providing educational and economic aide.
- 16 day campaign for addressing women's issues every year.
- Raising awareness through production of documentary on struggles of women.
- Advocacy for legal reforms on laws dealing with violence against women through the tri-partite alliance with other organizations like ROZAN and Dastak.
- Research and documentation facility for public to have access to material on gender issues. Separate research unit established in 2008 for effective peace building through mediation.

SIMORGH WOMEN'S RESOURCE AND PUBLICATION CENTRE

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Factfile

- Simorgh–Women's Resource & Publication Centre was established in 1985 as non-profit, feminist/activist organization. It is headed by Ms Neelam Hussain who is Simorgh's director and founding member.

Areas of activity

Simorgh's gender equality initiatives involve:

- Providing well researched reading materials regarding women's issues in colleges and schools.
- Teacher's workshop for equipping the teaching staff of various schools in peace building and gender sensitivity teaching.
- Extensive research on regional peace, gender equality and effects of conflicts on women through publication in print and electronic media.
- Dissemination of research articles on gender equality and peace building to the public through internet.
- Addressing against the patriarchal attitudes towards women and retrogressive state of women in Pakistan through the socio-legal journal.

STRENGTHENING PARTICIPATORY ORGANIZATION (SPO)

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Factfile

- SPO is the largest rights-based NGO in Pakistan established in 1994 to strengthen democratic governance, social justice, peace and social harmony. From its humble beginning as a small and very new NGO in 1994, Strengthening Participatory Organization has grown to become one of the leading NGOs in Pakistan in terms of its size and resources, the scope of its activities, its reach across the country, and the impact of its work.
- The organization is headed by its CEO, Mr. Naseer Memon.

Areas of activity

SPO's initiatives include

- Promoting a culture of peace through interactive sessions of workshops with schools and colleges through the Peace social harmony program.
- Gender mainstreaming through periodic gender reviews on various governmental schemes.
- Relief and rehabilitation of people affected by conflicts and natural disaster.
- Economic and social empowerment by providing skill training and education to women through the Social Justice programme.
- Mainstreaming of women into the political and decision making arena by the Democratic Governance Program by imparting training to potential women leaders.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT POLICY INSTITUTE (SDPI)

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- SDPI was established in August 1992 as an NGO to serve as a source of expertise for policy analysis and development, policy intervention, and policy and program advisory services. The research program at SDPI drives the three main activities of policy advice, advocacy and training.
- The organization is headed by Dr. Abid Qaiyum Suleri who is the Executive Director.

Areas of activity

SDPI work on gender issues and conflict resolution consists of:

- Documenting of women's contribution to peace in the region by conducting research and survey.
- Council for Women Parliamentarians for formulating policies and drafting suggestion legislation bills for legal empowerment of women.
- Working on gender issues in theme of economics, education, environment/ climate change by conducting seminars for students and researchers.
- Bringing legal reforms for women by acting as an advisory to the governmental policies.
- Conducting seminars on sustainable development and environmental protection for both the rural and urban public number.

SWAT YOUTH FRONT (SYF)

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Factfile

- SYF was established on 1997 as an independent and non-profit youth organization working for women empowerment, peace building and conflict resolution. It has more than a decade's experience in the socio-economic development of the Malakand region.
- SYF is led by its president and founder Mr Badar Zaman.

Areas of activity

SYF's contribution for building peace in the SWAT region by:

- Relief and rehabilitation in the refugee camps of the internally displaced people in this region.
- Research and documentation of existing social, economic and security conditions of women in the region of SWAT.
- Distribution of health & hygiene kits to the refugee camps.
- Spreading awareness through the resource center in Mingora by dissemination of resources and information to students, researchers and international agencies.
- Conducting sporting event among youth as peace building measure.

TABEER WELFARE ORGANIZATION

<http://www.tabeerfoundation.com>

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- The organization was established in 2008 by Mr. Muhamad Aslam as a non-government and nonprofit organization committed to work on gender equality, mother and child health care and empower the community economically, socially and politically and educationally. The main focus of Tabeer’s work is the development of neglected communities and rural people of Pakistan.

Areas of activity

Tabeer’s work on gender equality is carried out by the activities of:

- Free education to women in flood affected and conflict hit regions of Pakistan.
- Improving healthcare facility for minority by establishing hospital project in the Multan district.
- Legal empowerment to women by the providing legal aid.
- Awareness camps for the public on the deteriorating environmental condition.
- Campaign to address the growing influence of narcotics in the district of Multan.

Note

- Tabeer foundation is currently engaged in a project to establish a large hospital under the banner of “Tabeer Medicare and Research Center” in order to provide treatment to a large number impoverished people of the district.

TEHREEK-E-NISWAN

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- Tehrik-e-Niswan was started by Ms. Sheema Kermani in 1979 and within a year Tehrik had moved away from seminars towards cultural and creative activity (such as films, theatre, video and dance) to convey its message.

Areas of activity

TeN's contribution for spreading awareness on women's issues:

- Extensive use of theater, television and visual documentaries to spread the feminist cause.
- Aims to fight the religious narrow mindset and bigotry through artistic means.
- Reaching out to the middle and low income groups of Karachi through the mobile theater program.
- Provide a cultural outlet for the youth to prevent the spread of drugs and religious violence.
- Producing documentaries on women's issues and struggle in the region for raising Awareness.

Note

- Tehrik-e-Niswan is in processes of setting up a permanent cultural centre which will house a training academy for dance, drama, music and overall performing. They also plan include a bookshop to this proposed facility that will specialize books on women. The purpose of such a venue is to enable women to assemble and exchange their ideas & experiences freely.

TRIBAL WOMEN WELFARE ASSOCIATION (TWWA)

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The Tribal Women Welfare Association (TWWA) was established by Dr. Begum Jan in 1995 who herself was a tribal women. The main aim of TWWA is to work for the improvement of the overall status of the Pakistan's tribal women by bringing them to the mainstream of the society and enabling them to participate in decision-making.

Areas of activity

TWWA's programme focuses on:

- Empowering local communities especially women by strengthening their capacities through the training workshops.
- Facilitating women entrepreneurs by providing micro-finance and financial credits to improve the financial status of women.
- Promote Gender in Development to vulnerable communities in NWFP and FATA/FR through capacity-building workshops of the local communities.
- Spreading literacy to girls in the tribal region by setting up literacy camps in the region.

WOMENSHADE OF PAKISTAN (WSP)

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WomenShade Pakistan (WSP) is rights based, non-profit NGO established on November 17, 2008 working exclusively for women empowerment and raising awareness on women's human rights especially through Media, WSP has nationwide outreach and is run mostly by the volunteers coming from the field of media both from electronic and print.

Areas of activity

WomenShade's activities include:

- Focus on women's economic empowerment by providing access to land, micro-finance and skill development.
- Awareness campaigns, sensitization and advocacy to curb violence against women menace from the society.
- Initiatives to recognize the contribution of women through the WE programme which conducts award initiatives.
- Leadership training for girls under the girls' leadership programme.
- Produces short films, documentaries, commercials and publishes magazines on women's issues.

Note

- WomenShade Magazine is the only magazine of Pakistan exclusively working for promotion of women's rights and freedom, and is now into fourth year of continuous publication. The editorial board of the magazine is independent, comprised of renowned gender specialists, women rights activists & political scientists.

WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION FOR RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT (WORD)

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- Women's Organization for Rights and Development (WORD) is an Islamabad based NGO which works for the social, economic and political advancement of women and girls. It has set field offices in District Attock, Tehsil Hasanabdal, with its strong networking all over Pakistan.
- WORD is headed by Miss. Aqsa Khan who is the Executive Director of the organization.

Areas of activity

The conflict transformation and women's rights activities of WORD include:

- Involving and consulting women in the relief and peace building processes both domestically and internationally.
- Encouraging women to share experience/testimonies of women and girls impacted by conflict and displacement.
- Acknowledging the work and contribution of individuals and organizations working with displaced women & girls by awarding them.
- Briefing policy makers, judiciary and the media on women's rights.
- Conducting courses on women's issues especially for students, human rights activists and development workers.

Note:

- WORD has a field office in the conflict hit in the Attock district and is in a process of expanding its operation in various other conflict hit regions of Pakistan.