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March 2022

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts

This report covers the annual charity reporting and accounting for the year from 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022.



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Charity Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Charity Education International (CEI) SCIO

Scottish Charity Registration Number: SC027183

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5. Ms. Margaret Houston	Trustee
6. Mrs. Q Kumkum Huq	Trustee
7. Ms. Elizabeth Kristiansen	Trustee
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Trustees' Annual Report:

The trustees have pleasure in presenting their report together with the financial statement for the year ended to 31st March 2022: **Covered year: 1st April 2021** to **31st March 2022**.

This report is prepared in accordance with the current statutory requirements, the constitution of the charity and the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting and Reporting by charities.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The Charity is a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (a SCIO). It was originally registered as an unincorporated association on 3 September 1997, but changed its legal form to a SCIO in early 2018. Following its change in status to a SCIO, all the funds and assets of the original association were transferred to the SCIO. It has a single tier structure and as such the trustees are the members of the charity.

Appointment of Trustees

The Charity Board, which meets regularly, consists of all the Trustees. The membership of the management committee is open to all the Trustees. To allow for some continuity of the Charity Board, it is also opened to interested outside members.

The Trustees are elected at the Annual General Meeting of the organisation. The quorum at the Management Committee meeting shall be a minimum of three members entitled to vote.

Objectives and Activities

Charitable purposes

* To promote any charitable purposes for the benefit of the poor and the under-privileged, including the relief of poverty, sickness and distress, the preservation of health and the advancement of education.

Activities

The charity provides support mainly for education, health and poverty alleviation in a poor locality of northern Bangladesh. In particular, it has been supporting a tertiary educational institution called UttarBangla University College (UUC) and a clinic called Kakina Rural Health Centre (KRHC), both based at Kakina in Lalmonirhat district of northern Bangladesh.

The main focus is to support the poor and the needy, especially helping them to gain access to education and health facilities. Another important focus is female empowerment.

Equally, under the Poverty Alleviation Programmes (including an Orphans' Welfare Project), the aim is to help the vulnerable poor people with benefits, both in cash and kind.

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Achievements and Performance

A number of achievements are noted in each area of support (Education, Health and Poverty Alleviation). In particular, during the year ending 31 March 2022, a number of activities took place, including the following.

* **Improvements of UUC Infrastructural Development**. Thanks mainly to the funding support received from the Government of Bangladesh (via a World Bank-funded project), some significant improvements took place in UUC's infrastructure. In particular, the UUC Auditorium was made functional with sound proofing (thus stopping the annoying echoes generated), besides there took place the modernisation of 12 classrooms with multi-media projectors, among other facilities.

* **Significant Improvements in IT Teaching Capacity.** UUC also witnessed significant improvements in IT teaching capacity, with six well-equipped IT labs established during this reporting period. Besides, four IT Lab Assistants were employed, for assisting especially the students of UUC with any relevant support needed. This is, indeed, viewed as a major improvement, thanks again to the World Bank funding for equipping the IT labs.

* **Continuation of the Female Scholarship Programmes.** The Female Scholarship Programme kindly supported by the Scottish Anglican Church was continued and, as in the past, 16 female students (all of 4th Year Honours class+) were awarded with scholarships. Indeed, the feedbacks received show that these scholarships have greatly benefited these recipients. Also, under a separate funding programme, supported by a Souter grant (organised by CEI), 76 female students (from HSC 1st and 2nd year classes) were helped with cash support. (**NB**: 22 meritorious male students were also helped with cash support.)

* **Progress under the UUC PhD Research Programme**. Under the PhD research programme, two female UUC staff members were admitted at Begum Rokeya University in Rangpur, one from the Bengali Department and the other from the Management Department, initially for their MPhil research studies, with CEI financial support. Furthermore, one of them has already been transferred from MPhil to PhD research study. [Note: In the on-going PhD Research Programme at Raiganj University (West Bengal, India), female staff members were not included, mainly because of difficulties in arranging secure accommodations for them.] However, the continuation of the Corona pandemic has proved very unhelpful, especially as the progress of research by most of the PhD scholars admitted at Raiganj University has been very slow, with only two being able to send their full draft dissertation to their PhD Supervisors, and none being able to travel to India. [Notes: Of the total 21 UUC staff members originally enrolled for PhD research, five have now successfully completed their PhD theses. Of the remaining 16 PhD scholars, it appears that only three (one each in Political Science, Chemistry and Economics) have made some significant progress, hoping to submit their PhD theses in the near future.]

In conclusion, the support which we have been providing appears to be helping UUC to continue to maintain its progress. Indeed, the Model College status gained by UUC, as recognised by the National University on behalf of the Government of Bangladesh, has greatly helped to raise the profile of this educational institution, and it continues to be the **best Non-Government College of the Greater Rangpur Division.**

Equally, the **Kakina Rural Health Centre** (KRHC) which CEI has been supporting, is continuing to greatly help the poor patients. Indeed, this Health Clinic is the only facility of its kind available especially to the poor patients in an area with over 60,000 people.

Salary supports for the full-time Medical Doctor of KRHC and also for its outdoor five female Health Assistants were kindly renewed by ASA Bangladesh (a major NGO of the country). So, it was a great relief that the Clinic had continued to remain in service. (Note: These salary supports were discontinued in January 2021, an outcome of the Corona pandemic but, thanks to cash donations from a number CEI Trustees and well-wishers, we managed to keep the services running). In total, over 3,478 patients, most of them vulnerable poor, attended KRHC during this reporting period, about 45 per cent of whom were adult females and 25 per cent poor children. Besides, over 360 poor patients benefited from



the ambulance service provided by KRHC. Also, the Diagnostic Centre of KRHC helped 1,039 poor patients with various tests including ECG and Ultrasound tests.

Under the **Poverty Alleviation Programme**, support to the poor and vulnerable also continued. In particular, two distribution of funds took place, helping a total of 212 impoverished orphans. To help the poor and vulnerable, cash was donated to over 250 people, about half the of whom were widows. There was also the distribution of blankets; under this programme, 550 poor people were helped, thanks to a generous donation from a Bangladeshi philanthropist closely known to the Chairman of CEI.

Financial Review

Individual donations (including donations by standing orders from a core group of well-wishers of CEI) have remained a regular source of funding. Poor & Disabled Support source was the biggest among the all sources of current year. Restricted fund raised £750 and expended for PhD Sponsorship. Education Development Support and Health provision support costs were higher than income as we have focused post COVID issues, therefore total unrestricted fund overspend by £4,762.

Also, after a gap of two years because of the Corona pandemic, CEI was able to hold its 2021 Annual Charity Dinner on 5 December, 2021, although the amount of the fund raised was significantly reduced, especially as Santander Bank was not available to extend its support. However, as before, our sister organisation, based in Chicago (CEI USA) has continued to provide important support especially for our Poverty Alleviation programmes.

The Board of Trustees believe that charity's wide range of social engagement and community commitment proves that the charity is a going concern organization.

Future Plans for Support and Help

The CEI Trustees intend to continue to support its charity projects in northern Bangladesh, as shown below under each heading:

(a) Supporting Educational Development.

Besides continuing to support the original programmes, CEI is hoping to provide support for the following new projects to be initiated soon,

- * Female Students Common Room
- * Diploma in Engineering
- * Publication of two International Journals.
- (b) In Health support, fortunately, a new MOU has been signed between Kakina Rural Health Centre and ASA Bangladesh. To KRHC's great relief, the latter has now re-started providing the salary support of the Medical Doctor and also of the five Health Visitors. However, the temporary tin roof of the building needs to be urgently replaced with a properly constructed roof as per the Engineers' Report received.
- (c) Continuation of Poverty Alleviation Support including support for the Orphans' Welfare Project. As in the past, the main support for this programme is from our US-based sister organisation, Charity International Education [(USA), located in Bolingbrook, near Chicago].



Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing an Annual Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable laws and UK accounting standards.

The law applicable to charities in Scotland requires the charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that year.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. This statement is approved by the trustees and signed on its behalf by the chair trustee at the end of this report.

For and on behalf of Charity Education International:

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Dr M Mozammel Huq Signature: Date: 20/12/2022



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Statements of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 March 2022

Total charitable activities cost

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Incoming Resources	1(c)				
Orphans' Welfare	()	6,579	-	6,579	4,210
PhD Sponsorship		-	750	750	1,250
Poor & Disabled Support		13,000	-	13,000	5,697
Scottish Govt Grants		-	-	-	15,000
Donations - Direct Payment		11,320	-	11,320	8,026
Donations - Standing Orders		1,722	-	1,722	1,718
Fund-raising Dinner		3,842	-	3,842	0
Other sources/ donations		120	-	120	11,354
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Total Incoming resources		36,583	750	37,333	47,255
Resources Expended Charitable activities expenditures	1(d)				
a) DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES				44.405	7 0 1 0
Poor & Disabled Support Orphan' Welfare*		11,485 7,015	-	11,485 7,015	7,810 6,092
Teaching Delivery		1,603	-	1,603	0,032
Education Development Support		8,348	750	9,098	24,060
Health provision support		10,795		10,795	4,038
Sub-T	otal	39,246	750	39,996	42,000
* Note: There were some extra expenditure	s on Poverty A	Alleviation channel	led directly by CE	I (USA)	
b) ADMIN AND OTHER EXPENSES Charity Dinner		1,819		1,819	
Office Expenses		90	-	90	240
Other Expenses		40		40	
Sub-T	otal	1,949	•	1,949	240
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c) GOVERNANCE EXPENDITURES					
Accountancy Fees		150	-	150	
Sub-Total		150	-	150	
Total Resources Expended	_	41,345	750	42,095	42,240
Net movements in funds	2	(4,762)	-	(4,762)	5,015
Fund Transfer		-	-	-	-
Total Funds brought forward		19,644	-	19,644	14,629
Total funds carried forward		14,882	-	14,882	19,644



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Charity Education International Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2022

	Notes		2022 £		2021 £
Current assets Clydesdale Bank United National Bank		13,290 <u>1,592</u> 14,882		18,252 <u>1,392</u> 19,644	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		-		-	
Net current assets			14,882		19,644
Total assets less current liabilities			14,882		19,644
Net assets		-	14,882	-	19,644
The Funds of the Charity Unrestricted Income Funds Restricted Income Funds	3		14,882 -		19,644 -
Total Charity funds		-	14,882	-	19,644

This report was approved by the board of Trustees on 20 December 2022 and signed on its behalf.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The director acknowledges his responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Signature

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Approved by the board on 20 December 2022

Name of Trustee

Dr M Mozammel Huq

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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2022

1 Accounting policies

(a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant Notes to these financial statements.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their Accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015), the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended) and the Companies Act 2006. The principal accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial statements are set out below.

Change in basis of accounting

Transition to FRSSE SORP 2015

Due to the application of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities 2015 and the related Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities, the prior year figures have been restated to reflect the required reporting categories. This has resulted in Governance Costs being reclassified within the costs of Charitable Activities. There has been no change to the previously reported surplus or closing reserves.

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and methods of accounting) since last year.

Changes to previous accounts

No changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

(b) Nature and purpose of funds

Funds are classified as either restricted funds or unrestricted funds, defined as follows.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific requirements as to their use which may be declared by the donor or with their authority or created through legal processes, but still within the wider objects of the charity.

Unrestricted funds are those that may be used at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the objects of the charity. The trustees maintain a single unrestricted fund for the day-to-day running of the charity.



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(c) Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised once the charity has entitlement to the resources. Voluntary income is received by way of donations from individuals within the local community.

Recognition of incoming resources	 These are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when: the charity becomes entitled to the resources; the trustees are virtually certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Incoming resources with related expenditure	Where incoming resources have related expenditure (as with fundraising or contract income) the incoming resources and related expenditure are reported gross in the SoFA.
Grants and donations	Grants and donations are only included in the SoFA when the charity has unconditional entitlement to the resources.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Incoming resources from tax reclaims are included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift to which they relate.
Contractual income and performance related grants	This is only included in the SoFA once the related goods or services have been delivered.
Gifts in kind	Gifts in kind are accounted for at a reasonable estimate of their value to the charity or the amount actually realised.
	Gifts in kind for sale or distribution are included in the accounts as gifts only when sold or distributed by the charity.
	Gifts in kind for use by the charity are included in the SoFA as incoming resources when receivable.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in incoming resources (with an equivalent amount in resources expended) where the benefit to the charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material. The value placed on these resources is the estimated value to the charity of the service or facility received.

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Volunteer help	The value of any voluntary help received is not included in the accounts but is described in the trustees' annual report.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Investment gains and losses	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments and any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.

(d) EXPENDITURE AND LIABILITIES

Liability recognition	Liabilities are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to pay out resources.
Governance costs	Include costs of the preparation and examination of statutory accounts, the costs of trustee meetings and cost of any legal advice to trustees on governance or constitutional matters.
Grants with performance conditions	Where the charity gives a grant with conditions for its payment being a specific level of service or output to be provided, such grants are only recognised in the SoFA once the recipient of the grant has provided the specified service or output.
Grants payable without performance conditions	These are only recognised in the accounts when a commitment has been made and there are no conditions to be met relating to the grant which remain in the control of the charity.
Support Costs	Support costs include central functions and have been allocated to activity cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of resources, eg allocating property costs by floor areas, or per capita, staff costs by the time spent and other costs by their usage.

(e) Charitable activities expenditures Charitable expenditure comprises of those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both the direct pay and support costs relating to those activities.



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(f) Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets for use by charity

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £500. They are valued at cost or a reasonable value on receipt.

Fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. The freehold property is valued at historic cost, and it is not depreciated, as the community centre premises is considered to have a useful life as a building of greater than 50 years and so any depreciation charge is considered immaterial.

Investments

Investments quoted on a recognised stock exchange are valued at market value at the year end. Other investment assets are included at trustees' best estimate of market value.

Stocks

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value (if there any).

2	Net movements in funds	2022 £	2021 £
	Total Incoming resources	37,333	47,255
	Total Resources Expended	42,095 (4,762)	42,240 5,015
3	Funds of the Charity	2022 £	2021 £
3	Funds of the Charity Total Funds brought forward		
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4 Financial review

Please see page 6 for financial review.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 20 December 2022 and signed on its behalf.

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Signature Date: 20/12/2022



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Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Charity Education International

I am reporting on the financial statements and reports for the year ended to 31 March 2022 which are set out above pages.

Responsibilities of the trustees and the independent examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act, SORP 2005 and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the 2006 Accounts Regulations does not apply, and that there is no requirement in the governing document or constitution of the Charity for the conducting of an audit. As a consequence, the accounts are subject to independent examination. Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under charity law, or otherwise, and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of The 2005 Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Statement

I conducted my examination in accordance with Regulation 11 of Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and information supplied by the trustees in the course of the examination is not subjected to audit tests or enquiries, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts, and in particular, I express no opinion as to whether the accounts give a true and fair view of the affairs of the charity, and my report is limited to the matters set out in the statement below. I planned and performed our examination so as to satisfy myself that the objectives of the independent examination are achieved and before finalising the report. I obtain written assurances from the trustees of all material matters.

Subject to the limitations upon the scope of my work as detailed above , in connection with my examination , I can confirm that this is a report in respect of an examination carried out under section 44(1) (c) of the Act conducted in accordance with the guidance issued by the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR). and that in the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:-

- 1. Which gives me a reasonable cause that in any material aspect the following requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 44 (1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulation, and



• to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 8 & 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations have not been met, or

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial records to be reached.

Independent Examiner

Signature

Date: 20/12/2022

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