

THE SIR FIROZ KHAN AND LADY VIQARUNNISA NOON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

From the Chairman: Dr Paul Flather – Mansfield College – Mansfield Road – Oxford OX1 3TF, UK

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Dear Noon Scholar -

Over recent years, the Vicky Noon Educational Foundation has been keen to reach former Noon Scholars to gauge how our awards had impacted on their subsequent lives and their relationship with Pakistani, always a key influence in the desire of our founder to set up the trust in the first place.

Now, we are celebrating the 25th anniversary of our Scholarship programme, The Trustees have agreed to help develop a new Noon Scholars alumni society and to host a high-level reunion to which all past scholars would be invited. This was originally to take place this year, but we are now looking at 2022 if the situation remains uncertain.

The Trustees had a very successful tour in Pakistan in January 2006 – to mark 10 years since our first award – and hosted a series of smaller reunions in Islamabad, Karachi and Lahore, and we would also wish to repeat that.

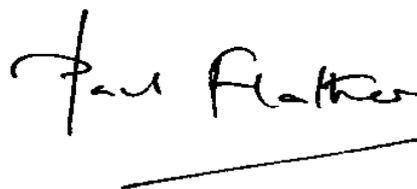
We are now keen to repeat our survey from that year and to reach out as many of our 200 plus scholars as we can in the coming month. We hope we can also improve our work by learning more about where you are now and how the Noon award helped you on your way.

We are also upgrading our website and allow all Noon scholars to help us post information about them, as appropriate. In these ways we expect our network can develop into a useful alumni body for Pakistan.

- So first, could you please help take our survey – it should take about 10 minutes – available on the following link: <https://forms.gle/Ug5dh5nkasGQZ2TF9>
- The survey will request your various contact details. However, if you do not want to take the survey right away, please do still send us your contact details and tell us if you would be interested in joining us for the planned reunion.
- Also, if you know other *Noon Scholars*, please could you forward this email to them, and share their emails with us so we can include them in our exciting plans. Obviously, colleges are now rather reluctant about sharing contact information about former students, citing new data protection laws. So, your help in reaching out fellow scholars will be very important.
- We will be setting up our own Linked-In group shortly and encourage you to find us there.

Please visit our website at www.noon-foundation.org and send us contributions and comments, and you can contact our assistant, Caroline Palmer, for any queries that you may have at info.vnef@gmail.com.

With thanks and best wishes,



Dr Paul Flather