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## **ASPIRE** **Your Monthly News & Updates**

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*Lots of good stuff is happening at OBAT and you are behind it!  
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### **Ramadan Campaign: a smashing success - thanks to you!**

We set out on our Ramadan, Spirit and Charity campaign with a goal to raise \$300,000 and are so happy to report that you not only helped us meet but surpass our goal! This means a lot to us but also means so much to all the camp residents who depend on your support for the assistance they receive. With your help, they have a chance to live a life where their basic needs are met and they have opportunities to receive health care and earn an income.

Thank you for your compassion, care and generosity!

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### **Meet you at the OBAT booth!**

Convention season is fast approaching, and we want to make sure we get the chance to say hi to you! Check out more details below:

**APPNA**

convention: Washington, D.C. from August 4-7, booth #228  
ISNA

convention: Chicago from September 2-4, booth #702

We are looking forward to seeing you!

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### OBAT Organizes Eid Lunch for Camp Kids

Eid-ul-Fitr is a holiday celebrated by the camp residents and to help make the occasion a little brighter, a US based OBAT supporter funded an Eid lunch program for camp children at the Sardar Bahadur Nagar camp in Chittagong. One hundred and fifty kids were fed during the Eid lunch. We are thankful to our wonderful donor, who helped us organize a great program on Eid Day. All the kids wore new clothes and had a memorable holiday celebration.



Some children enjoying Eid lunch

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### Training for New Teachers in OBAT's Chittagong Schools

On July 15th, OBAT's Chittagong chapter organized a foundational training for newly appointed teachers. Eleven teachers from OBAT's Sardar Bahadur Nagar, Ferozeshah and Halishaher School underwent training. The training was facilitated and conducted by Ms. Shamim Nighat.



The new teachers with trainer,  
Ms. Shamim Nighat

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### New York Friends Organize OBAT Fundraising Brunch

OBAT was happy to meet new friends on July 24th as a long-time supporter and OBAT event host, Mr. Husam Ahmed held a brunch in New York to introduce OBAT and its mission. The brunch took place at Haveli Restaurant and was attended by local residents. Ms. Maureen Lynch and Mr. Anwar Khan spoke at the event to inform the attendees about the plight of the forgotten people. We are grateful to Mr. Husam Ahmed for organizing this event and to the local community for attending.



Ms. Maureen Lynch addresses the  
audience

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## World Widows day observed in Rangpur

On the 23rd of June, OBAT Helpers' staff in Rangpur organised an Iftar (breaking of fast) and Duaa (prayer) gathering for the elderly women and widows in the camps. The group shared an iftar meal and prayed together for peace in the world and for all OBAT family, including staff and supporters.



Women at the Iftar in Rangpur

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## OBAT's BLS High School Finds a Sponsor!

We are excited to report that OBAT's BLS school, which is the newest addition to the altogether eight schools run by OBAT, has been adopted by a generous donor from the United Arab Emirates. The school is located in Mirpur in Dhaka and has a total of 400 students, with classes ranging from grade six to ten. We are grateful to all our donors who partially or wholly support our schools. If you are interested in adopting one of our projects, reach us at [contact@obathelpers.org](mailto:contact@obathelpers.org) and find out what fits your needs!



A class at the BLS High School

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## Want to travel with us? Plan to join OBAT's President on his Annual Trip to Bangladesh!

Mr. Anwar Khan, OBAT's founder and president visits the camps every year in December to tour, monitor and evaluate projects as well as to train the staff. Several supporters from the US join him for an inspiring and informative experience. This year, he will be in Bangladesh from **December 12th 2016** to **January 6th 2017**. If you would like to join him during this time, reach out to us at [contact@obathelpers.org](mailto:contact@obathelpers.org) and let's start planning!



Mr. Khan with OBAT's school kids

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