



OVERALL REPORT

On SDG-1 No Poverty

LUMHS Contributes Towards Poverty Reduction

LUMHS reflects its commitment through several diverse initiatives aimed at reducing poverty. its most important focused areas are healthcare and quality education.

Moreover, LUMHS provides free healthcare services through LUMHS hospitals, free medical camps in various local communities and underserved areas which reduce cost barriers to healthcare, a major contributor to poverty. By providing free treatment, the university helps poor families avoid large medical expenses. Free medical and subsidized rates of diagnostic tests.

The university provides quality education through scholarships offered for students. Additionally, stipends are provided to help students manage their financial needs. This support enables students from low-income backgrounds to pursue medical and health sciences education without financial burdens, thereby reducing dropouts due to an inability to pay.

LUMHS supports students who might not afford higher education fees, helping them achieve upward mobility and reducing financial stress on underprivileged families. These efforts ensure that students from poorer backgrounds continue to have access to quality education in health sciences, which is often expensive.

Need-Cum-Merit / Zakat Scholarships

LUMHS ensures fair distribution and transparent selection of students based on preset criteria, aiming to benefit the maximum number of students. In collaboration with the Higher Education Commission (HEC), LUMHS offers the Zakat Need-Cum-Merit Scholarship, encouraging students from low-income groups, orphans, and differently abled individuals to apply. This financial support enables students from disadvantaged backgrounds to pursue education without financial strain and reduces dropouts due to economic hardship.

Scholarships for Minority Students

Scholarships for minority students are given with the collaboration by the Ministry of Religious Affairs & Inter-Faith Harmony, promoting inclusivity and equal opportunities in education.

Scholarship and Financial Aid

LUMHS has established a Students Financial Aid Office (SFAO) that manages scholarships, financial assistance, free-ship schemes, and self-finance versus merit-based seats. This structure ensures that low-income students can continue their studies without interruption.

Scholarship Funds under Alumni Centre

The Scholarship Funds managed by the LUMHS Alumni Centre include dedicated resources to support needy and merit-based students, demonstrating the alumni's continued commitment to educational advancement.

Professional Education Foundation Scholarship

In collaboration with the Professional Education Foundation (PEF), LUMHS provides scholarships to students from low-income and meritorious backgrounds, with special encouragement for orphans and differently abled students.

Postgraduate Scholarships / Indigenous Scholarship Programs

LUMHS also facilitates postgraduate students (PhD, MD, etc.) through programs such as the Sindh HEC Indigenous Scholarship, which provides financial assistance for advanced studies to those who might otherwise be unable to afford them.

Internship Program

Liaquat University of Medical and Health Sciences (LUMHS) / ORIC LUMHS has initiated an Internship Program aimed at bridging the gap between academic learning and professional practice. The program equips recent graduates with essential professional skills, enhances their practical knowledge, and prepares them for the competitive job market.

Through hands-on experience and mentorship from industry experts, the internship empowers participants to apply theoretical knowledge in real-world settings, develop workplace competencies, and improve their employability. This initiative reflects LUMHS's commitment to fostering career readiness and contributing to the professional growth of young graduates.

The program has successfully helped numerous graduates secure meaningful employment opportunities, reflecting the university's strong dedication to reducing poverty through empowerment and skill development. By supporting graduates in transitioning smoothly into the workforce, this initiative enhances financial stability and contributes to sustainable socio-economic growth. LUMHS continues to uphold its mission of promoting education that leads to empowerment, independence, and community well-being.

Since 2023, Liaquat University of Medical and Health Sciences (LUMHS) has initiated a special scholarship program dedicated to supporting students from SOS Children's Village. Under this initiative, LUMHS provides **full freeships** to deserving students, covering tuition and related academic expenses.

Objective:

To promote educational inclusion and provide equal learning opportunities for orphaned and underprivileged children, enabling them to pursue higher education and build secure futures.

Key Features:

- Full financial support (free ship) for students from SOS Children's Village
- Annual scholarships awarded based on eligibility and academic potential
- Guidance and mentorship provided by LUMHS faculty to ensure student success

Impact:

Since the program's launch in 2023, several students from SOS Village have benefitted from this initiative, gaining access to quality education and the chance to develop their academic and professional capabilities.

Through this initiative, **LUMHS reaffirms its commitment to social responsibility, equity in education, and Sustainable Development Goal 1 NO poverty and 4 (Quality Education)** by empowering marginalized youth through education and opportunity.