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We are highly indebted to all for making this support available and more importantly believing in the spirit of this award. We hope that that this good will, continues to grow over the years.

We take this opportunity to thank all our eminent volunteer professionals who agreed to become part of the panelists to judge the awards. These are:

- Ms. Mahnaz Mehmud-TRC
- Ms. Amima Sayeed-TRC
- Ms. Saima Khalid-EYLA-PTAN
- Ms. Tayyaba Zarif-SEF
- Dr. Rafaqat Ali Akbar-Punjab University
- Ms. Shereen Zafarullah-Umeed Publications
- Ayesha Jabbar-Alif Laila
- Ms. Razia Mughal-ITA-IPL
- Ms. Ayesha Masood-ITA
- Ms. Huma Sikandar-ITA

ITA is also thankful to all its members led by Razia Mughal who fulfilled each stage of the award, committed to its essence, current and future impact on elevating the status of teachers in Pakistan.
# Winners of the ECE-AGA-WTD Award 2009

## 1st Place
- Ms. Misbah Rani
- Seraj-e-Nagar Public Education Trust Higher Secondary School, Lahore, Punjab

## 2nd Place
- Ms. Asma Tabbasum
  - Government New Islamia Primary School
  - Garhi Shahu, Lahore, Punjab
- Ms. Almas Begum
  - The Citizens Foundation Primary School, Peace Campus, Sheedi Goth, Karachi, Sindh

## 3rd Place
- Ms. Hamida Bibi
  - The Citizens Foundation Primary School, Altaf Agha Campus 1, Goth Oanche Jatlah, Karachi, Sindh
- Ms. Ambreen Iqbal
  - Government Girls High School, Nasinabad, Zhich, Balochistan
- Ms. Saeeda
  - The Langlands School and College
  - Nursery/KG Section Batach, Chitral, NWFP
- Ms. Rubina Bashir
  - City District Government Primary School, Mustafabad 2, Lahore, Punjab

## 4th Place
- Mr. Moraj Ali Khan
  - Agha Khan School Khuzum, Chitral
  - NWFP
- Ms. Shahnaz Rashid
  - CSSP, Dudo-Kamber Helar Bin Gasmal Malik
  - Sindh
- Ms. Farhat Jabeen
  - Govt Girls Primary School Harwai Murree
  - Punjab
Introduction:

Idara-e-Taleem-o-Aagahi Public Trust works across the country, committed to elevating the status of teachers through capabilities. ITA has engaged with teachers’ issues through research and social dialogues since 2004, with the objective of influencing policy.

ITA’s celebration of World Teachers’ Day on October 5, 2008 was an occasion to launch the Anita Ghulam Ali (AGA-WTD) World Teachers’ Day Award in search of living icons for Quality Education. In 2008 the AGA-WTD Award was dedicated to secondary level science teachers (www.itacec.org). In 2009 the AGA WTD Award was dedicated to the theme of Early Childhood Education (ECE) searching for excellence across Pakistan’s classrooms. Such is the power of Professor Anita Ghulam Ali as a living legend amongst educators from ECE to tertiary education.

Professor Anita Ghulam Ali- a brief introduction

- Professor Anita Ghulam Ali is an icon for educators, teachers of Pakistan - committed to quality and social change in a mission mode - A Living Legend
- A microbiologist, an active promoter of Early Year Learning, a celebrated teacher and an activist for teachers’ rights - and rights based quality education as life long learning
- Legendary Educational Leadership and innovations
- Anita Ghulam Ali, since the ’90s, has served twice as the Minister for Education, Sindh and has been the Managing Director of the Sindh Education Foundation (SEF) since its inception in 1992.
- She is known for: intellectual rigor, commitment, integrity & unparalleled respect for national diversity

AGA Award: A Civil Society Initiative (by Idara-e-Taleem-o-Aagahi-ITA)

- The Anita Ghulam Ali Award is a civil society effort to acknowledge the services rendered by extraordinary teachers. The purpose of this award is to celebrate the achievements of classroom practitioners; the Award also aims at motivating teachers to perform to the best of their potential. It is an effort to uplift the status of teachers of Pakistan, irrespective of region, gender, ethnicity and class.
• This is an initiative of the Idara Taleem o Aagahi (ITA) in collaboration with all those partners who are willing to undertake this journey, committed to the cause of teachers. The ITA team sent out calls for nominations and facilitated the selection process through a panel of experts.

• Each year the AGA Awards are offered for a different category of teachers. This year nominations were taken from Early Childhood Education (ECE) teachers from the entire country. As the importance of ECE is being recognized the world over and by the Government of Pakistan, as reflected in the National Education Policy 2009, this award is a timely endeavour to bring the centrality of quality ECE into the public domain.

• The AGA Teachers' Award is transparent and merit based. It is open to like minded partners to join the effort, expand the number of awards and institutionalize the practice as a national enterprise.

WHY Early Childhood Education (ECE) IS A FOCUS AREA?

• “The early years are recognized as a vital stage in children's physical, linguistic, intellectual and emotional development. ECE refers not only to what is happening within the child, but also to the care that child requires in order to thrive.”

The Significance of “Early Childhood Education”

• It is widely acknowledged that the effects of what happens during the pre-natal period & during the earliest months and years of a child’s life can last a life time. This is because the kind of early care a child receives from parents, pre-school teachers and caregivers determines how a child learns and relates to school and life in general. It is during early care that a child develops all the key elements of emotional intelligence, confidence, curiosity,
purposefulness, self control, connectedness, the capacity to communicate and co-cooperativeness.

- Emotional intelligence is now considered crucial for educational success. Students who have a higher level of emotional intelligence are more likely to remain and continue with education. It is truly a time for nurturing and enabling the child’s spirit.

- The early years are also critical for the acquisition of the concepts, skills, and attitudes that lay the foundation for lifelong learning. These include the acquisition of language, perception-motor skills required for learning to read and write, and basic numeracy concepts and skills.

- Intervening in the earliest years helps to reduce the social & economic disparities, race and gender inequalities that divide our society.

- By the time children reach age two, their brains contain as many synapses and use up as much energy as the brain of the average adult. The complexity of this development is described by scientists as a magical “dance” which lies at the very heart of every human being and his/her learning process, beginning at birth, and even before. This new understanding of brain development has critical implications for society, and particularly for educators and the way children are taught. Ref: National Curriculum for Early Childhood Education 2007: [www.moe.gov.pk](http://www.moe.gov.pk) - The National Education Policy 2009 gives a special place to ECE as a core EFA target

The Award-Its Elements

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The Process and Timeline for the Award:

From October 2009 – December 2009, 177 entries were received, out of which 10 were finalized. These 10 teachers, represent 40% Public Sector schools, 40% Private Sector schools and 20% community schools. They were rigorously screened and shared with the panelists across the provinces.

Core Criteria of Anita Ghulam Ali WTD -ECE Award 2009

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<td>Professional Excellence &amp; Intellectual Enterprise</td>
<td>Classroom Environment: Seating Arrangements, Learning Corners, Material Display; Timetable; Lesson Plans; Assessment Portfolios, Learning Aid <strong>Samples; Pictures; to be used extensively</strong></td>
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<td>Active Citizenship &amp; Holistic Humanism</td>
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The Entries Disaggregated by Province/Area

ITA received 174 entries from across Pakistan. For transparent screening the entries were disaggregated provincially. The entries received from Sindh were screened out in Karachi, and the same process followed by each province. At the final screening was done at the central hub Punjab with all team members and panelists for final entries/decisions.

Eminent Panelists for the AGA WTD 2009 Award

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Proceedings of ECE AGA-WTD Award Ceremony:

The Award ceremony was held at the Aga Khan University – Institute for Education (AKU-IED) on April 6th, 2010. It was attended by over 100 participants, key players from the field of education, including teachers, representatives of NGOs working in the field of education.

The ceremony began with the recitation of Holy Quran. It was followed by a thorough introduction and expansion of the award through a presentation given by Baela Raza Jamil, Director Programs ITA. She introduced the participants with the concept and spirit of the award. She shared that Anita Ghulam Ali World Teachers' Day Award is an initiative of a group of independent educators and citizens of Pakistan who want to honor outstanding teachers, acknowledging them as larger than life icons in education.

She said Professor Anita Ghulam ali is a living legend par excellence in our country as a teacher and a solid citizen. Anita Ghulam Ali is perceived as Pakistan’s most inspiring teacher, committed to the ideas of progress, excellence, and scrupulous honesty, deeply rooted in her soil and context. Her living legacy touches 100,000 plus students who are working across the country and the globe, who regularly pay homage to her for touching and changing their lives in profound ways. Such is the power of a good teacher who sees her profession as an engagement with life and generations, for whom teaching is synonymous with social and national transformation.
Professor Anita Ghulam Ali, is currently the Managing Director of the Sindh Education Foundation. An award bearing her name carries messages of courage, quality education and impeccable integrity for the 1.5 million teachers of Pakistan.

She shared that the Award is thus timely and well presented. In 2008, its focus was Science teachers of secondary schools across the country and in 2009 Early Childhood Education (ECE) open to all ECE practitioners in Pakistan’s classrooms. The award’s purpose is to reposition and upgrade the status of teachers in our society recognizing their capabilities and dedication.

Expansion of the Award:

Baela R Jamil shared that the AGA Teachers Award is transparent and merit based. It is open to like-minded partners to join the effort, expand the number of awards and institutionalize Public Recognition of Teachers as a national enterprise.

It is ITA’s great privilege that very well established partners have sponsored the Award in 2009. The list is very strategic including:

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She also elaborated on the future plans of the award with the participants. It is hoped that in 2010-2011 an Endowment of Rs. 1.25 crores will be set up to institutionalize the award. Supporters are welcome to join the endeavour and become members of the Steering Committee.

After the presentation, **Ms. Mahenaz Mahmud** Director Program Development - Teachers’ Resource Center, a pioneer institute for ECE, was invited to express her feelings regarding the Anita Ghulam Ali Award. She congratulated all the award winners for their success.

As the award was focused on Early Childhood Education, she shared her experiences with the audience regarding ECE. She said children are the future of our country and we need to have flexible attitudes for their well being. She gave excellent tips to the ECE teachers to make their teaching more interactive and child centered. She said every child brings his/her own experience when H/She entered in the school. So, try to use that experiences and let them explore their own world. She also explained the holistic development of the child to understand the needs of students. She said that let children have a chance to talk and share their imagination and ideas to make them critical thinkers. She also shared that this award should be expanded to search and appreciate a larger number of excellent teachers of Pakistan.

**Dr. Muhammad Memon** Director AKU-IED expressed his gratitude and congratulated ITA for organizing such a tremendous award for the teachers of Pakistan.
He shared his views about ECE and said that we need to redefine ECE and teachers, educator and care takers of ECE. They need more focused approach to enhance this concept in Pakistan. He also shared that ECE/ECD is the first building block in the life of a human being; it requires lots of patient, creativity, innovation and love. If a teacher doesn’t like or know how to create innovation in classroom, can not create a caring environment for young learners. We need to upgrade our teachers and move forward to do some innovation in the field of education. He thanked Baela Jamil and his intellectual Mentor Prof.Anita Ghulam Ali for selecting excellent teachers from all across Pakistan and AKU-IED as the venue for this marvelous award ceremony.

**Dr.Sadrudin Pardhan**, Director Outreach Programs-AKU-IED spoke about the status of teachers in his address during the Award ceremony. He said, as our guest speaker Ms.Mahenaz Mahmud directed our attention to the holistic development of a child for his physical, intellectual, social and moral development, we need to focus on the other dimension of education......which is the child. He also congratulated the award winners and Idara-e-Taleem-o-Aagahi for this wonderful award ceremony.

**Ms.Saima Khalid**, Chairperson Early Years Learning Association (EYLA) AKU-IED congratulated the successful award winners for the nation wide recognition as ECE was one of the neglected areas in our education system. She shared that only since the last 10 years ECE has received the attention due to the work done together by educators, education departments and various donors. She shared that ECE is the first goal of EFA and it is also basic right of young learners. Children need to grow in a positive environment as well as the adults. As these years are critical so, teachers, educators and care takers must possess the knowledge and disposition to strengthen their skills and develop strong link with primary education.
Ms. Khalid elaborated that under the Professional Teachers’ Network Association (PTAN), they have initiated EYLA-Early Years Learning Association to raise awareness in the field of ECE. She also shared that in 2009 they have initiated another chapter of EYLA in Punjab in collaboration with ITA to enhance the concept of ECE in Pakistan.

**Award Distribution:**

After the expressions of guest speakers, **Prof. Anita Ghula Ali distributed** the awards among the winner and congratulated them with lots of prayers.

The Winners for the AGA WTD 2009 ECE Award are:
## List of Successful Teachers for the ECE-AGA-WTD Award, 2009

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Views of the Award Winners:

Ms. Misbah Rani…. Best ECE Teacher (1st Position)

She expressed her gratitude to the organizers of the award for providing her with a great platform and also her school the Sanjan Nagar Public Education Trust Higher Secondary School to groom her skills as an active ECE teacher. She thanked ITA for awarding her with the title of Best ECE Teacher in Pakistan. She underscored that “this is not my achievement but I would like to dedicate this award to the whole teachers’ community of Pakistan. I have rendered my services for young learners from last 12 years and my experience was so exciting and enthralling that I would like to spend my whole life in the same field to serve ECE students as an ECE Teacher’.

Mr. Meraj Ali…. Best ECE Teacher (3rd Position)

Mr. Meraj Ali is an excellent teacher of Chital. He expressed his gratitude to ITA for selecting him as one of the best 10 ECE teacher from all across Pakistan. As the ceremony was held in AKU-IED, he said, “I am feeling very overwhelmed that I am receiving this award in the presence of my two best teachers. He shared that I feel honored that AKS provided me various capacity building opportunities to enhance my professional skills and make me capable to stand in front all of you today. He promised that I will try my best to be a good teacher as I believe that a good teacher can at least produce a good student who is a good citizen which is a great achievement of a teacher for his whole Life. He quoted Quaid-e-Azam that he made Pakistan and today we are living independently. I want to make my students good citizens who can serve our beloved homeland Pakistan”.
Ms. Farhat Jabeen.... Best ECE Teacher (3rd Position)

Ms. Farhat Jabeen is an active teacher of Murree. She expressed her gratitude to ITA and all Sponsors for selecting her as best ECE teacher from all across Pakistan. She appreciated ITA and Prof. Anita Ghulam Ali for arranging this wonderful event of her life. She dedicated her expression of thanks to Prof. Anita Ghulam Ali as under:

Dasht-e-tanhai mai jis pair nay mairy tanha musafar ki khatir ghani chaon phelai hai

Uski shadabion kay liye mairi sab unglian hawa main duaa likh rahi hain

She also paid her gratitude to ITA as follows:

Jitney gharib ghar hain ujaloon say door hai

Utni hi roshni mai sitaroon say chien loon

Jitney gharib tan hai libadon say door hai

Utni hi chadrien main mazaroon say chien loon

Itni to ho kam say kam juratein mairi

K shahon k takht mai isharon say chien loon

She said “ITA is working tremendously in the field of education and I would like to say that even the darkest cloud have a silver lining”. She quoted the following line for all teachers “those who dare to teach should not cease to learn”.

She promised that she will try her best to serve young learners with her full dedication and devotion.
At the end of the ceremony, the chief guest Prof. Anita Ghulam Ali addressed with the audience. She appreciated and congratulated the award winners. She said that I feel proud that today my parents are feeling honored that their naughty child is serving the field of education. She said that this is not the matter that this award is initiated on my name but I owe a big thanks to the people present here for giving me such respect and honor.

Ms. Naila Ismail, Manager Corporate Affairs expressed her feelings of happiness and congratulated the award winners. She read the message of Chairman Unilever Pakistan for the audience.

“Unilever's vision is to create a better future every day for people in Pakistan and all around the world: the people who work for us, those we do business with, the millions of people who use our products, and future generations whose quality of life depends on the way we protect the environment today.

Unilever has a strong track record on corporate responsibility and sustainability. We create social benefits through our brands and partnerships and through the impact that our business activities have on society. We recognise that we can achieve our long-term business objectives if we find more sustainable ways of conducting our business. We integrate social, economic and environmental considerations into the day-to-day marketing and development plans of our brands - in the firm belief that values-led brands, such as Lipton, Lifebuoy and Surf Excel, will increasingly fuel our business success and help grow societies.

One such partnership is that of Surf & ITA on 'Dirt is Good' "Every Child has the Right" campaign, which encourages experiential learning for children. The partnership began in 2008 with ITA bringing the expertise and networks to deliver the initiatives on ground and Unilever complementing this with experience, marketing expertise and commercial muscle. Together, we have worked in 3 cities (Lahore, Pindi and Multan) and look forward to expanding our reach to other major cities.

- 635 teachers have been trained on 'Early Childhood Education' (ECE) curriculum & the importance of experiential learning.
- ECE curriculums have been sent to over 5000 schools in these 3 cities.
- 7 'Splat play areas' have been set-up in public parks, school grounds and in Swabi for the IDPs.
- Surf & ITA's work has been recognised by the Directorate of Staff Development, Education Department, Government of Punjab

I would like to thank ITA for giving us the opportunity to be part of this programme. Last but not the least, I would like to congratulate the award winners for 2009 and wish them good luck for their futures.”
Comments by the participants:

Name: Dr Muhammad Memon  
Designation: Director:  
Institute /Organization: AKU-IED  
The event was very well organized. Awards were given to deserving candidates who have made differences in children's lives. Comments were offered by the selected awardees. I wish all of them could have spoken of a couple of minutes. The event was very well attended by lover of early childhood education. Contribution of private sector was amazing and inspiring,. Above all presence of my intellectual mentor Appa Anita in the event was quite exciting.  
Good luck  

Name: Sadrudin Pardhan  
Designation: Chair man  
Institute /Organization: Ptan  
A most enjoyable evening with wonderful participants from 80 plus guests. It was wonderful to see the 10 winners from across Pakistan.  
Anita Apa was guest as ever.  
Keep it u.  

Name: Naila Ismail  
Designation: Corporate Affairs Manager  
Institute /Organization: Uniliver  
Excellent an encouragement for teachers. Makes them very proud and drives them to do more.  
Let's make it bigger across Pakistan.
News Coverage of the Award

Country’s 10 best teachers get AGA Awards

SYED INTIKAB ALI

KARACHI - The Jinnah-e-Talim-e-Ajaib (ITA) announced the names of the winners of the 2nd Anita Ghulam Ali World Teachers’ Day Award 2009, in Karachi at Aga Khan University, in a splendid ceremony on Tuesday, where awards were distributed among the 10 best teachers in Early Child Education (ECD). The ITA had launched the 1st AGA award in 2008 and now 2nd award of country’s best teachers of the country in Early Child Education (ECD).

The winning teachers came to Karachi from other three provinces to get their awards.

Lectures are given to the best school teachers across the country and in 2009. The AGA WTD Award 2009 for ECE categories of 1st (a) Specially crafted and designed Citation Medal/Shield & Rs.300,000 2nd (b) Specially crafted and designed Citation Medal/Shield & Rs.150,000 3rd (c) Specially crafted and designed Citation Medal/Shield & Rs.100,000 4th (d) Specially crafted and designed Citation Medal/Shield & Rs.50,000.

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Annexure

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We are pleased to announce the names of successful candidates of ECE-AGA Award 2009. These have been selected from 177 entries received from across Pakistan by a panel of 10 ECE experts from well renowned institutions: Teachers’ Resource Centre; Early Learning Years Association Pakistan; Punjab University- Institute for Education Research (IER); Aga Khan Foundation (AKF); CWCD; ITA and Sindh Education Foundation.

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