

Shariah approval for paying Zakat and donations to The Citizens Foundation (TCF)

Introduction:

TCF is a professionally managed, non-profit and philanthropic organization set up in 1995 by a group of citizens concerned with the dismal state of education in Pakistan. It is now one of Pakistan's leading organizations in the field of formal education. The vision of TCF is to remove barriers of class and privilege and to make the citizens of Pakistan Agents of Positive Change. TCF believe that access to basic education is the right of each individual and not a privilege. Apart from following the regular curriculum, TCF focus on the character building of students to equip them with high moral values and confidence. The organization supports the education of less-privileged children. Under the administration of TCF hundreds of schools spread throughout Pakistan are providing education to thousands of children.

Method of utilization of Zakat and donation:

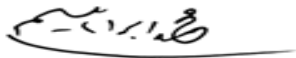
The organization's financial needs are being covered by general donations and Zakat that Pakistani individuals and corporate throughout the world contribute towards. The Procedure is that the administrators check out the financial condition of children and their parents/Guardians in respect of Zakat eligibility. If they are eligible for Zakat, then administrators of TCF get permission to collect Zakat on their behalf and to spend that directly on their educational needs as per the conditions of Zakat administration. According to these limits, TCF uses Zakat and donation funds very carefully.

To ensure that the whole process is Sharia-compliant, both in letter and in spirit, Alhamd Shariah Advisory Services Limited has been appointed as Shariah Advisor to review all Zakat-related documents and procedures. We confirm that The Citizens Foundation collects and spends Zakat funds considering the rulings and guidance of Shariah Advisor.

Shariah Ruling:

It is confirmed that The Citizen Foundation collects and spends Zakat fund in accordance with the instructions of Shariah. It is also confirmed that whosoever will give Zakat to this Foundation; their Zakat will be paid as per Shariah point of view.

May Allah grant the management of The Citizens Foundation best reward for their services, and may give in their mission more blessings and sincerity. Aameen



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