Overseas Pakistanis Foundation Welfare & Services Division

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CONCEPT NOTE

FORMATION OF OVERSEAS PAKISTANIS YOUTH COUNCIL (OPYC)

Formation of Overseas Pakistanis Youth Council (OPYC) under the auspices of OPF to engage our highly qualified/par excellence young generation of Pakistani origin who are studying or working abroad, to utilize their expertise, knowledge for improving the image of Pakistan abroad along with familiarizing them with their country of their origin.

- 2. The members of OPYC will act as brand ambassadors of Pakistan in the country of their residence. They will be expected to apply their learning experience to project a positive image of Pakistan. Initially, OPF is targeting around 10-15 students from Europe, Americas and GCC countries in the launching phase to be made part of OPYC. The members of OPYC are to be selected for a period of one year. The selected members of OPYC will also be invited for a study visit to Pakistan to gain an understanding of varied aspects of life in the country. The participants to visit places of cultural, social and religious significance, meet with well-known personalities from different walks of life and enjoy a unique opportunity to be apprised of their heritage and the current initiatives and process of development in Pakistan.
- 3. Apart from other activities, the participants of OPYC will have the opportunity for a meeting with the honorable President and the Prime Minister of Pakistan. On their return to their home countries, it is envisaged that they will act as the ambassadors of Pakistan.
- 4. Preference should be given to youth in the fields of Mass Communication and Social Media influencer who can portray a positive image of Pakistan to a larger audience. Nominations will be received through Pakistan Missions abroad and will be finalized and notified by OPF.

Terms & Conditions

Eligibility:

- Student of a recognized and a registered educational institution.
- ii. Professional or Self-employed.
- Age of applicant should be between 18 to 35 years.

Mandate:

- To act as role models and ambassadors of Pakistan in their individual capacity.
- The OPYC members to maintain close liaison with Pakistan community in the host country.
- To act as an effective communication link between the community as well as the relevant stakeholders i.e., OPF and concerned Pakistan Mission abroad.
- Fo suggest proposals regarding policy formulation beneficial to overseas Pakistanis
 especially for younger generation.
- To suggest measures for the welfare and betterment of Pakistanis living abroad.
- To motivate local Pakistani community to send remittances through legal channels.
- To maintain close liaison with local authorities for the benefit of Pakistani community.
- To assist and arrange functions on events of national significance in Pakistan in their educational institutions or place of work to create soft image of Pakistan.
- To communicate on any other relevant matter.

Mode of Communication/Meetings:

- The OPYC will meet at least quarterly via teleconference.
- Participate in meetings and workshops (virtual or in person) called by the Youth Council to exchange information, share lessons learned, present progress and discuss proposals for the betterment of overseas Pakistanis and their dependents.

Conditions:

- i. The members of OPYC to be selected for a period of one year.
- ii. During study visit to Pakistan return international airfare to be borne by the applicant.
- iii. Expenses on local hospitality, travelling, boarding/lodging to be borne by OPF.
- iv. Application form to be endorsed by respective Pakistani Mission abroad.
- v. Any false information will be liable to cancellation of application.

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