Anjuman Taraqqi Urdu UK

Trustees' Annual Report and Accounts

For the period 4 February 2025 to 31 December 2025

Registered charity number 1212008

Reference and administrative details

Item	Detail
Charity name	Anjuman Taraqqi Urdu UK
Legal structure	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Registered charity number	1212008
Principal address	16 Roxborough Avenue, Isleworth, TW7 5HG
Financial period	4 February 2025 to 31 December 2025 (the charity's first financial period)
Trustees during the period	Syed Saif Mahmood, Hilal Fareed, Irfan Mustafa, Annie Zaidi
Governing document	Constitution adopted on 6 February 2025

Trustees' annual report

The trustees present their annual report and the accounts of the charity for the period ended 31 December 2025.

Objects

For the benefit of the public the CIO will:-

(1) Advance education through the publishing of works of Urdu literature and language and to develop and maintain a library or digital archive of Urdu literary works and historical texts; and

(2) To advance Urdu arts, culture and heritage by supporting and facilitating art, music, and theatre performances that reflect the rich cultural heritage of the Urdu language

Activities and achievements in the period

In its first financial period the charity organised events to promote Urdu language, literature and culture in the UK, working in partnership with Urdu Culture London and SOAS University of London.

- Masterclasses in Urdu Poetry: one masterclass each university term, organised with Urdu Culture London and SOAS University of London.

- Shaam-e-Adab (Literary Evening): held on 10 August 2025 with Urdu Culture London.

Excluding trustees, two volunteers helped to deliver the charity's activities during the period.

Events after the end of the period

On 19 April 2026 the charity organised a seminar, *Progressive Writing in the Time of War and Hatred*, with Urdu Culture London. The masterclass series continues in 2026.

Public benefit

The trustees confirm that they have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when planning and reviewing the charity's activities.

All of the charity's events were open to the public and free to attend, so no one was excluded by cost. They benefited the public in the UK by giving people the opportunity to learn about, discuss and enjoy Urdu poetry and literature, and by helping to keep this literary heritage alive.

The events were well attended by a wide audience, including students, academics and members of the public from all walks of life with an interest in Urdu literature. The Masterclasses in Urdu Poetry, held with SOAS University of London, were of particular benefit to students, giving them direct access to exposure by experts on Urdu poetry alongside their studies.

Financial review

The charity received donations of £296 during the period and made no payments. Cash held at 31 December 2025 was £296. Events were delivered with partner organisations at no cost to the charity.

Given the charity's small size and low level of expenditure, the trustees have not adopted a formal reserves policy. Funds held will be used to support future events.

Independent examination

The charity's gross income for the period was below £40,000, so the accounts are not required to be independently examined or audited.

Receipts and payments account

For the period 4 February 2025 to 31 December 2025. This is the charity's first financial period, so no comparative figures are shown.

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Receipts			
Donations	296	–	296
Total receipts	**296**	**–**	**296**
Payments			
Charitable activities	–	–	–
Total payments	**–**	**–**	**–**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
Net receipts for the period	**296**	**–**	**296**
Cash funds at 4 February 2025	–	–	–
Cash funds at 31 December 2025	**296**	**–**	**296**

Statement of assets and liabilities

At 31 December 2025.

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £
Cash funds		
Bank account	296	–
Total cash funds	**296**	**–**
Other monetary assets	None	None
Investment assets	None	None
Assets retained for the charity's own use	None	None
Liabilities	None	None

Notes to the accounts

1. **Basis of preparation.** These accounts have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, as permitted for a CIO with gross income not exceeding £500,000.
2. **Trustee remuneration and expenses.** No trustee received any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during the period.
3. **Related party transactions.** There were no related party transactions during the period.
4. **Partner support.** Events were delivered in partnership with Urdu Culture London and SOAS University of London, which met the costs of venues and speakers at no charge to the charity.
5. **Employees.** The charity had no employees during the period.

Approval

This report and the accounts were approved by the trustees on 15 July 2026 and signed on their behalf by:



Syed Saif Mahmood, Trustee

Date: 27 July 2026