## FAITH SOCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL WELFARE SOCIETY, SAHARANPUR

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Dr A.P.J Abdul Kalam Library was established on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2007 by FAITH Social and Educational welfare society, Saharanpur. After the publication of Sachchar Committee report in 2007, shocking facts of educational and social backwardness of Muslim community, forced muslin intellectuals to think and work for the community. A group of youths from Saharanpur met and decided to open a library in Mohalla Quazai, to provide the basic facility to the children of the community, a step forward in improving the educational standard of the children.

Due to limited resources, the programme was initiated at low level with only one reading room facility and one instructor to help the children in getting their home work done. Thanks to School management of Muslim Girls School, who provided space for this library at free of cost. After a survey of the neighboring mohallas, it was found that children rarely study after school timings. There were many reasons for this cause like uneducated parents who hardly aware about the quality education and the ways of pursuing it, poverty was another factor which forced parents to ask their kids to share their work burden after school timings, lack of proper facilities, ignorance of social responsibility, miss-concepts about ibadat etc. Competitive educational environment was found totally missing even among well off of the society.

Apart from library, Different programs are conducted like orientation lectures, meetings with parents, meeting with influential people of the mohallas for motivating children to take interest in the studies. A group of volunteers visited different school to motivate students.

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