The urgent need for an Economic Agenda for Indian Muslims

Indian Muslims await a demographic dividend over the next few decades. At the same time, Industry 4.0, emergence of eCommerce, disruption of mobility related industries and shift towards service sector is likely to have an impact on jobs in general and small unorganized businesses (where majority of Muslims are concentrated) in particular. Multiple stakeholders are involved in efforts towards improving the social, economic and educational status of Indian Muslims. It is critical that all stakeholders organize under a common Economic Agenda which takes a comprehensive long term view of Economic Development.

Purpose, Vision and Mission of Economic Development efforts by AMP

**PURPOSE**
Organize all stakeholders under a common economic agenda which takes a comprehensive long term view of economic development for Indian Muslims.

**VISION**
A future where Indian Muslims participate equally in building the nation and benefit equally from the economic growth of the nation.

**MISSION**
The economic development efforts at AMP will:
- build common understanding among stakeholders based on data and research
- conceptualize the right initiatives to address key issues
- build the ecosystem for funding initiatives and driving on-ground change

Avenues for Collaboration

1. **SUPPORT AMP’S EDP**
AMP is initiating a special project to chart out an Economic Development Plan (EDP) for Muslims. The EDP will chart out a course of action for the most pressing problems faced by Muslims and will result in a roadmap/call of action that can be emulated and implemented by community leaders. AMP is keen to hire Research Associates for the project to support the EDP development (JD attached)

2. **INITIATE IN-HOUSE RESEARCH TO SUPPORT AMP**
The Economic Development for Muslims is a long term project that requires significant efforts from academia, civil society, government and the private sector. Academic Institute’s can initiate research on these issues that will form the bedrock for the monumental changes required in this area. AMP will support Master’s/PhD students who wish to take up these issues as a part of their thesis through mentorship from industry experts, community leaders, and globally recognized research scientists.

3. **INITIATE AWARENESS ON ISSUES**
AMP understands that the first step to bring any real change would be to increase awareness on the economic plight of Muslims amongst masses and particularly the country’s students. AMP would be willing to organize guest lectures/expert sessions to discuss these issues amongst students and faculty of the institute

Invitation for Partnerships

Association of Muslim Professionals invites organizations and individuals to join the cause of Economic Development of Indian Muslims. If you or your institute is interested in partnering with AMP, we request you to respond to this call of action by 25th January 2019 on ampoffice.connect@gmail.com