



Sanjan Nagar Public Education Trust Higher Secondary School



My journey at Sanjan Nagar

It has been a decade since I passed out from Sanjan Nagar. A few days ago, seeing Madam Baela Jamil at an event with Penny Mordaunt, A UK Parliamentarian, sent me down the memory lane. I had walked into SNPET as 'just another less privileged toddler'. However, the institute brought the best out of me in academics as well as co-curriculars including martial arts, music, dramatics, debates, writing and composition, theatre and a repertoire of other genres. The mentors and trustees alike nurtured each one of the students with much care and instilled us with cultural values, correctness of the moral compass, and above all, self-awareness and self-confidence. Resultantly, Human Rights Education Program (HREP), Children's Museum for Peace and Human Rights (CMPHR), Alhamra Arts Council, Youth Parliament of Pakistan (YPP), Youth Exchange and Study (YES) Program, South Asian Youth Forum (SAYF) and a number of other distinguished names became a home ground for me as an active participant. I also served the school as a sports-house vice-captain (2007-08) and a head girl (2008-09) in the final years of my stay.

Carrying the very air of confidence and awareness, I chose a liberal arts education system at Forman Christian College (FCC) for BS (Honors) in Biotechnology and walked out of it with a Latin honor 'Cum Laude'. A couple of years ago I completed a fully funded MS Biology at one of South Asia's leading universities, Lahore University of Management and Sciences (LUMS) and joined the Grand Charter School as a curriculum designer. Currently, I am preparing to leave for a doctorate in molecular biology at America's 3rd best institute in biological sciences: Rutgers University under the prestigious Fulbright Scholarship. However, when I look back, it all melts down to one name, one institution, one system that focuses primarily on children from challenged backgrounds and infuse them with utmost courage to dream big and then realize those dreams. I am a proud Sanjan Nagar alum, ready

to represent what I was taught at my alma mater to the rest of the world and be an eminent agent of change.

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