

NEWSLETTER



This Month at ASPIRE Pakistan

From groundbreaking trainings to inspiring success stories, this month has been all about innovation, collaboration, and impact. Here's a glimpse of the journey we've shared together.

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Message from the Founder & CEO

At ASPIRE Pakistan, we believe in the power of bold dreamers to reshape the destiny of our nation. Pakistan stands at a defining moment where innovation, entrepreneurship, and future-ready skills are no longer luxuries they are necessities. ASPIRE Pakistan was founded on a mission to transform our country into a hub of innovation and opportunity, where startups thrive, professionals excel, and youth lead the way forward. This first newsletter is a reflection of our journey so far the milestones we've achieved together, the partnerships we've built, and the future we envision. ~ **Hassan Syed**

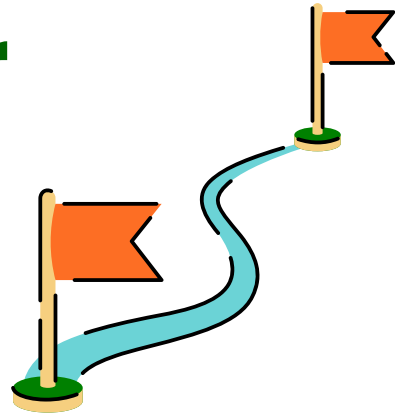


**Igniting Innovation,
Empowering Dreamers,
Building a Prosperous
Future**



Our Journey So Far

ASPIRE Pakistan was founded to accelerate Pakistan's knowledge economy by empowering youth, entrepreneurs, and professionals with training, mentorship, and global connections. Since 2018, we have grown from a small idea into a national movement, engaging universities, startups, and the diaspora to drive meaningful change.



**Trained
150,000+ Individuals**



**Partnered
150+ Universities**



**3000+
Ideas Nurtured**



**800+ Mentoring
Sessions**



**100+
Mentors**



**300+ Specialized
Trainings**

So far, ASPIRE Pakistan has nurtured 3,000+ innovative ideas, delivered 800+ mentoring sessions, and conducted 300+ specialized trainings across Pakistan. By engaging more than 150 universities nationwide, we have already touched the lives of 150,000+ individuals, driving innovation, entrepreneurship, and real-world impact.



Our flagship programs showcase this impact: the **National Idea Bank** equips innovators to grow into investment-ready startups; the **Mentorship Network** connects founders with global experts; **Pak Angels** Investment Network links startups with early-stage funding; and the **Skill Empowerment Program** leverages **Generative AI** to upskill freelancers, professionals, and businesses. Meanwhile, the **ASPIRE Accelerate Program** provides tailored guidance to scale promising companies.

Over the years, milestone initiatives like the **Founders Edge Training Programs**, **Generative AI training with Pakistan Engineering Council** and **ULEF-USA**, and the **Ideas Hunt sessions** have engaged thousands of students, engineers, and professionals across Pakistan. From our beginnings in 2018 to a nationwide presence today, we remain focused on one bold goal: by **2026**, to **train 100,000+ leaders** and **fund 100+ startups**, creating sustainable prosperity for Pakistan.



Founders Edge Training Program

Founders Edge is ASPIRE Pakistan's flagship startup training initiative, designed to equip wannapreneurs and early-stage founders with the tools to transform ideas into ventures. Over three months of weekly evening sessions, participants learn through structured modules, real-world case studies, and one-on-one mentorship, while also connecting with investors and peers across Pakistan's startup ecosystem.

Cohort II Success



870 Total Registrations



68 Successful Graduates

Held from April to July 2025, Cohort II attracted 870 registrations and produced 68 graduates who completed the intensive program. Participants worked on validating business ideas, developing MVPs, and pitching to mentors and investors leaving with a clear roadmap to scale their ventures. The strong graduation rate reflects the program's ability to deliver not just theory, but actionable startup skills.

Cohort III Momentum



Launched in August 2025, Founders Edge Cohort III has already **surpassed 2,000 registrations**, making it the most successful edition yet. The inaugural session engaged 280+ participants, startup founders, and university leaders. With NUST, GIK, Sindh University, NED, and BUIITEMS leading signups, ongoing sessions on growth, acquisition, and scalability are helping students, professionals, and innovators gain skills to turn bold ideas into thriving ventures.



PAKANGELS GENERATIVE AI COHORT 6

The Pak Angels Generative AI Training – Cohort 6 Hackathon, held online in July 2025 with LCWU and UET Lahore (ULEFUSA), brought together **2,500+ participants** from technical and non-technical disciplines nationwide. From **128 team submissions**, the following **Top 10 winners** stood out for their innovation, impact, and technical excellence:

Top 10 Hackathon Winners

Project Title	Project Description	Team Members
ZameenDost – AI Chatbot for Smarter Farming	An Urdu-speaking AI assistant that helps farmers diagnose crop/soil issues, get weather-based guidance, and boost profits with simple Roman Urdu support.	Fatima Farooq, Yasir Fatah Ali, Eesha Tur Razia Babar, Abdul Muqet
Loan Pilot – AI-Powered SME Loan Assistant	A smart pre-screening chatbot that digitizes SME loan applications, validates data in real time, and delivers error-free, compliant applications to banks.	Muhammad Ibrahim Nazeer, Naila Sadia, Abdul Rahman Ahmad, Piyush Nath, Nida Amir
JuriSynth – Generative AI Legal Document Analyzer	Open-source AI tool to analyze contracts, detect risks, tag keywords, and generate summaries, saving time for lawyers and businesses.	Muhammad Hasnain, Mehak Zahra, Farah Batool, Moazma Batool
CrisisPilot – Global Disaster Swift Response Assistant	AI-powered disaster response tool for crisis mapping, real-time alerts, decision support, and predictive insights for global emergencies.	Muhammad Hanzla, Mehak Iftikhar, Abdul Moiz, Amina Razzaq, Maria Nadeem
Sahara – Educational Chatbot for Special Children	Adaptive chatbot supporting special children with interactive learning, making education accessible, engaging, and inclusive.	Zainab Zaman, Noor-e-Hira, Suhail Ahmad, Ishrat Bibi, Anwar Saifullah Khan
Dil Se – AI Mental Health Companion for Youth	A safe, Urdu-based AI companion for youth (13–21) offering emotional support, coping tools, and mental wellness guidance.	Nosheen Irshad (solo)
Career Guide – AI-Powered Career Companion	Personalized career path suggestions, roadmaps, and job opportunities – democratizing career coaching for students and job seekers.	Faiza Riaz, Fouzia Riaz, Mohsin Ali, Asima Riaz
Shaafee – AI Quranic Mental Wellness App	AI-driven wellness companion rooted in Quranic wisdom, offering spiritual clarity and emotional support for stress, anxiety, and depression.	Muhammad Sarmad Raza, Muhammad Ibrahim, Muaz Hassan, Nabia Dua
AidMate Bot – AI First Aid Assistant	Emergency chatbot delivering instant, medically reliable first aid guidance with AI-powered real-time responses.	Aleeza Abdul Razzaq, Abdul Wahab, Muhammad Zeewaqar, Hamza Ashraf, Mahnoor
Text-to-UI Generator	Open-source Python tool that converts plain prompts into functional HTML/CSS UI layouts, boosting developer productivity.	Muhammad Zileumar, Tadian Ahmed Azeemi, Waleed Zahid, Nida Siddiqui, Kashaf Jamshed
ConvoScribe – AI Meeting Transcriber	AI RAG web app to transcribe, summarize, and make meetings searchable, enhancing collaboration and record-keeping.	Muhammad Abdullah Bilal, Zarnab Fayyaz, Hamza Yousaf
AI-Powered OBE Compliance Assistant	AI tool that makes OBE and curriculum data instantly searchable, streamlining PEC accreditation and quality assurance.	Dr. Muhammad Taskeen Raza, Ms. Fatima Qazi, Ms. Khadija, Mr. Mohsin Zahoor, Dr. Neelma Munir
GEO – Generative AI Engine Optimizer	AI platform refining prompts for LLMs, enabling more accurate, context-aware outputs for researchers, students, and developers.	Jawad Ahmed, Itqa Akhlaq, Bilal Ashraf, Unsa
ROS Pilot – AI Chatbot for Robotics Development	Generative AI + RAG chatbot trained on ROS2 docs to guide robotics developers in building, debugging, and optimizing applications.	Fabeha Raheel, Hassan Mehmood, Hareem Hassan, Laibah Raheel

Strategic Collaborations

One of ASPIRE Pakistan's defining strengths has been its ability to build meaningful partnerships across academia and industry. This year, we proudly signed three MoUs that mark a significant step toward strengthening Pakistan's innovation ecosystem.

ASPIRE Pakistan x University of Sargodha



At the University of Sargodha (UoS), ASPIRE Pakistan has partnered with Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Qaisar Abbas to create a vibrant ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship.

This collaboration aims to bridge academia with industry, empowering students to transform their knowledge into startups and impactful solutions.

ASPIRE Pakistan x Lahore Garrison University



With Lahore Garrison University (LGU), ASPIRE Pakistan is collaborating to empower students with future-ready skills. Represented by Vice Chancellor Maj Gen Muhammad Khalil Dar, LGU brings its reputation for discipline and academic excellence to a partnership aimed at cultivating entrepreneurial talent in sectors like EdTech, FinTech, HealthTech, and AgriTech.

ASPIRE Pakistan x Hyderabad Institute for Technology and Management Sciences



The third MoU, signed with the Hyderabad Institute for Technology and Management Sciences (HITMS), aligns with ASPIRE Pakistan's mission to equip students with mentorship, startup development opportunities, and innovation skills. With Dean Dr. Adnan Ashraf representing HITMS, this collaboration opens new doors for youth in multiple domains.

Celebrating Growth & Community Engagement

ASPIRE Pakistan & ETL Celebrate 1 Year of Tech Innovation



This 14th August, ASPIRE Pakistan proudly celebrated Pakistan's Independence Day alongside the 1st Anniversary of ETL (Emerging Tech Leaders) with our Founder & CEO, Hassan Syed. The event was a moment to reflect on Year 1 milestones and to share bold plans for Year 2 with bigger goals, stronger partnerships, and greater impact for Pakistan's tech youth.

As part of ASPIRE Pakistan's vision to empower the next generation, ETL is shaping the country's largest online tech community. Through technical discussions, job placement coaching for graduates, and open-source collaborations connecting professionals with young talent, ETL is helping turn Pakistan's tech potential into global impact fully aligned with ASPIRE Pakistan's mission of building a knowledge-driven economy.

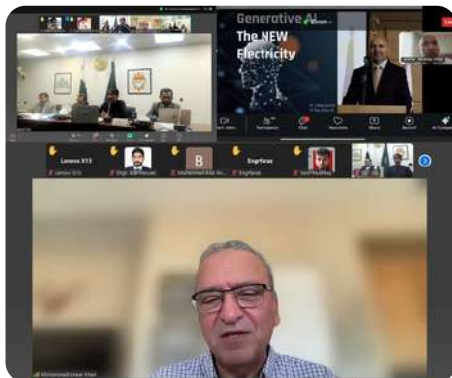
Alumni Speak

From the hundreds who have participated in ASPIRE programs, countless success stories inspire us.

Aeman Awan, Founder of Smart Energy Optimizer and an electrical engineer from LCWU, shares: *"Founders Edge gave me clarity on startup fundamentals, boosted my confidence in pitching and finances, and connected me to a broader ecosystem. It's more than training, it's a Launchpad for founders."*

Asadullah Khan, another graduate, reflects: *"The mentors, practical sessions, and structured learning journey were outstanding. Founders Edge gave me the confidence to start my own venture. The most valuable lessons were pitching with confidence and mastering unit economics."*

Events & Celebrations



PEC Generative AI Training – Cohort III

The PEC Generative AI Training – Cohort III has officially started, with over 4,500 engineers registered to gain cutting-edge AI skills. Operated by Pak Angels in partnership with iCodeGuru and ASPIRE Pakistan, the program is equipping Pakistan's engineering talent to remain globally competitive in the AI era.

This initiative has already trained 9,000+ learners, welcomed 860+ participants, hosted 6 hackathons, awarded 4,500+ certificates, and built strong partnerships with HEC, PEC, ULEF-USA, Aptech, iCodeGuru, and ASPIRE Pakistan. By delivering hands-on training in Generative AI concepts, applications, and real-world tools, it continues to empower Pakistan's workforce to innovate, compete, and lead in the global digital economy.



SUCCESS STORIES

Spotlight of Inspiring Entrepreneurs



Spotlight on Pakistan's Emerging Entrepreneurs

Motto Vest



MOTTO VEST

Zeeshan Shahid
CEO & Founder

Motto Vest is the world's most affordable airbag safety vest for bikers, designed with patented technology to protect the spine, neck, chest, and hips in case of an accident. By making lifesaving protection accessible for millions of riders and delivery workers, Motto Vest is tackling a \$145B global safety market. The startup has already been recognized as a Pak Angels Top 20 Winner and an NIB Top 10 Winner, won NIB III, raised PKR 3 Crore on Shark Tank Pakistan, and proudly represented Pakistan at Plug and Play Silicon Valley, USA.

Haprow



Muhammad Ali Abbas
CEO & Founder

Haprow is redefining learning for autistic and special-needs children with TimTim an AI-powered educational and social companion designed to bring happiness and growth. Focused on inclusivity, innovation, and impact, Haprow empowers kids to learn, grow, and thrive in their own unique way.

Recognized as NIB I Winner, Shark Tank participant, and recipient of the Prime Minister's Youth Excellence Award, Haprow recently partnered with Bay View Academy Clifton Campus to bring AI and Robotics into classrooms, preparing the next generation of tech leaders.

The Enviro Solution



Enviro
Solutions

Abuzar Shoaib Siddique
Founder & CEO

Recognized in Connected Pakistan's prestigious 30 Under 30 list. His startup is dedicated to tackling pressing environmental challenges with sustainable tech-driven solutions.

Paymo



Abdur Rehman Shamsi
Founder & CEO

Paymo, one of the Pak Angels Top 10 Qualified Startups, is a Gen Z-centric fintech app driving financial inclusion and empowering youth with personal finance skills and financial wellness. Its mission is to make saving, investing, and earning accessible to the next generation.

NewVative



Farrukh Bhatti
Co-Founder

NewVative, one of the Pak Angels Top 10 Qualified Startups and the PIXS Competition 2025 Winner, delivers AI-powered IoT solutions for smarter, safer, and more sustainable businesses. The startup is pioneering indigenous R&D in Pakistan to boost efficiency and innovation across industries.

**UPCOMING
OPPORTUNITIES**

- Founders Edge Cohort IV
- Pak Angels Startups Cohort III
- Pak Angels Gen AI Training Cohort 8

Join the Community of Changemakers

ASPIRE Pakistan's journey is just beginning, but our vision is clear: a prosperous Pakistan where youth lead with innovation, startups thrive, and industries scale globally. By building bridges across academia, industry, and communities, we are creating a knowledge-driven future.

We invite **students, professionals, mentors, and dreamers** to join our movement. Be part of a network that empowers innovation, fosters entrepreneurship, and turns bold ideas into reality.

Start your journey to create a meaningful impact today!