

BREAKING BARRIERS:

Support Rohingya Students in Higher Education



For Rohingya students, education is not just a dream—it's a fight for survival.

Denied citizenship and basic rights, many Rohingya live in insecure camps across Asia with limited access to education. Despite unimaginable challenges, **twelve first-generation** Rohingya students at Parami University are determined to change their futures.

Parami University covers their tuition, but they urgently need living stipends. Without help, they may have to abandon their studies to support their families.

Your support gives them hope and a path to a better future.

OUR GOAL

WE AIM TO RAISE

\$21,600

TO PROVIDE ONE YEAR OF ESSENTIAL LIVING STIPENDS

\$150/month

PER STUDENT



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Thanks to a matching grant from IDRC's Knowledge for Democracy Myanmar (K4DM), every dollar you give will be **matched up to \$21,600**, doubling your impact to **\$43,200**, enough to support students for two years.

Every contribution helps empower a first-generation Rohingya student.

FIRST GEN DREAM

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Born on the land of golden Arakan,
Not a place outside of the earth.

With the same figure as yours—
But a blind with two eyes,
A deaf with two ears,
A lame with two legs,
A brain to think,
A heart to feel, and
A life full of hopes and dreams.
Yet I was deprived of all:
Confiscated citizenship,
Abolished documents,
My home incinerated to ashes,
Made homeless and hopeless,
Always treated just like an alien.

In 2014, I made my mark,
Ranking third in the township, a hopeful spark.
But discrimination blocked me systematically,
Restricting me in my homeland for higher study.
The reason is my identity, that's my pride—
The Rohingya story they wish to always hide.

Constant persecution upon me,
Intolerable cruelty by the brutal military,
Forced from my land by hands so cold,
Dreams were scattered, but hope still bold.
Starving for studies, holding tight,
In search of a future, of truth and bright
light.

My best luck? Becoming part of Parami,
A chance, the first but not the last,
To break barriers and pursue my hope.
It's my privilege to stand on the First Gen
List.

@ ABDU RAHMAN (RO PACIFIST)

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This poem was composed by Ro Pacifist, the pen name of Abdu Rahman, a second-year undergraduate student pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Statistics and Data Science (SDS) at Parami University. He is a Rohingya poet, an English teacher both online and offline, and the winner of the Archipelago's Rohingya Writers Prize 2022.

JOIN US IN BREAKING BARRIERS

Ro Pacifist's journey as a first-generation student is just one example of the courage and dreams within the Rohingya community.

Your support can help many more first-gen students like him pursue education, overcome barriers, and build brighter futures.

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**THANK YOU FOR STANDING
WITH ROHINGYA YOUTH.**