

asylum seekers centre

of new south wales

Ms Khursheed Irani
Bollywood Sensations

8 June 2009

Dear Khursheed and Kaizad

I am writing to thank you very much for your kind support in donating your time to our Bollywood themed fundraising event in aid of the Asylum Seekers Centre of NSW (ASC) Annual Quiz Night, which was held on Friday, 29th May at the North Sydney Leagues Club.

You were both fabulous dancers and very warmly received by the whole audience. You certainly helped raise the profile of the Bollywood evening and I know that everyone appreciated your time, talent and energy. In addition, those participating certainly enjoyed themselves too!

You might like to know that we raised nearly \$40,000 on the evening. This was a wonderful result, largely due to the superb ambience of the evening of which the dancing was a large part.


The funds will now be used to sustain delivery of essential services to the centre's asylum seeker clients – all of whom are living lawfully in the community while awaiting an outcome on their applications for protection, and the vast majority of whom hold visas which do not allow them to work (including voluntarily), or to access Medicare or Centrelink benefits.

The funds will support our casework and health care programs, including the purchase of pharmaceuticals for life-threatening conditions, supplies for our medical clinic and food vouchers.

We are currently assisting over 500 destitute asylum seekers, and have assisted over 3300 asylum seekers since our inception in 1993.

On behalf of the Quiz Night committee, Board, clients and staff of ASC, sincerest thanks again for your time and compassionate support.

Warm regards,


Mr Garry Rothwell
Chairman
Asylum Seekers Board