

Sustainable Development Goals -11 – 5

In order to ensure safe, secure accommodation in cities especially for young working women, BPW Pakistan has a network of Girls Hostel in four big cities Karachi, Islamabad, Peshawar and Hyderabad.

In Karachi, Dr. S.R.A Women complex, in 1985, includes a hostel for working women for accommodating 55 residents in main Clifton, a posh area of Karachi. Presently, we have girls from different professions - Doctors, engineers, architects, teachers, bankers and other offices goers.

In Peshawar there are 16 rooms and at present 55 ladies are residing in the Hostel.

In Islamabad there are 30 rooms. At present 25 residents are residing in the Hostel.

In Hyderabad the hostel building is being renovated. It has a capacity to accommodate 50 residents.

Young freshly recruited girls need a secure place to spend their early years of their careers. The hostel has 24 hours security, along with a 24 hours resident superintendent to look after them. A team of volunteers headed by the President of Pakistan Federation of Business & Professional Women's Organization is available for administrative support.

The hostel licencees rent are subsidized and therefore, affordable. Three years maximum stay is permissible as per hostel rules, in order to allow space for other fresh working women.

In addition to providing a secured accommodation goal No.6 is also achieved as the hostel ensures availability and sustainable arrangement of water & sanitation for all the residents.