



Scaling the Heights of Excellence

Ethiopia- Homosha, BGRS: On the 23rd of October, the Pharo School Homosha graduated its first-ever cohort of 25 seniors in a colourful graduation ceremony that brought together students, teachers, parents, and the local community. The theme of the ceremony was **“Scaling the Heights of Excellence”**

The well-organised event was led and presented by the students themselves. Various performances, speeches, and dances by grades 9-11 were truly inspirational and a testament of how far the school has come since its inauguration in February 2020.

Guests included: Ms Gulden Kazandag, CEO of The Pharo Foundation, Dr Ermias Habte and Mr Matthieu Cornillon, Country Representatives, The Pharo Foundation Ethiopia and Rwanda, respectively, and Mr Abdulhakim Sulub (Regional Head of Academics), among others from the Foundation as well as Sister Zebider Zewdie, Founder and Executive Director of Mary Joy Development Association Ethiopia.

Speaking at the event, Ms. Gulden and other speakers commended the girls for their hard work and dedication to their studies. Secondary education is a significant phase of a student’s academic life, and the Pharo community has high expectations of our graduates.

The guests also thanked Mr. Akif and his team for organising the wonderful event.

Elsabet Derese, the graduating class valedictorian, said, “Excellence is an art won by training and habituation. To my parents and teachers, you are wonderful people. All in all, the fact that I am standing here today proves that anything is possible with determination and the right support system”.

Mr Akif, the Head of School, the teaching staff, and the college preparation and career counselling team have helped the students define their career paths. All the students hope to attend university and study diverse majors, including medicine, pharmacology, aerospace engineering, law and aviation.

Giving young girls an opportunity to reach their full academic potential and gain skills and knowledge is crucial to Africa’s future and part of The Pharo Foundation’s objectives.

“At the Pharo School Homosha, we are committed to developing future leaders by preparing them for the world ahead, the next generation of leaders must be skilled, innovative and globally connected”



Graduating class of The Pharo School Homosha during the ceremony

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Graduating class of 2022



Students and guests during the graduation



Elsabet Derese-The graduating class valedictorian giving her speech



Dr Ermias Habte (Country Rep.), Elsabet (Valedictorian) and Ms Gulden Kazandag (CEO)



Elsabet receiving an award from Mr Abdulhakim Sulub -Regional Head of Academics



Graduating class representative



A representative of the graduating class



Event MCs; also Homosha students

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Sister Zebider Zewdie, Founder and Executive Director of Mary Joy Devt. Association giving her remarks



Representatives from the students body speaking during the graduation



Mr Akif Naqvi, Head of School



Mr Benson Majiwa, Deputy Head of School



Mr Mohammed -Homosha Senior Teacher and Academic Coordinator



Dr Ermias Habte, Country Representative-Ethiopia



Mr. Mathieu Cornillon, Country Representative-Rwanda



Mr Abdulhakim Sulub, Regional Head of Academics

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Students presenting their songs, dances and skits during the ceremony



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Some of the graduates having lunch with their families



Members of the organising committee

