

Bahna in Pakistan



The Bahna trace their roots to Persia and modern-day Afghanistan. Though they used to process cotton, the advancement of technology has led them to abandon that work in favor of agriculture, manufacturing and trade. Originally, the Bahna were entirely Hindu, but some of them converted to Islam during the Delhi Sultanate. Many Muslim Bahna left India and relocated to Pakistan, mainly in the Sindh Province. While the boys are able to pursue schooling, most of the girls receive little formal education.

Ministry Obstacles

Islam is a religion that is typically hostile to Christianity. As such, there may be very few ways to share the gospel, unless the focus is on Jesus, "Isa al-Masih" in Islam.

Outreach Ideas

Books are highly respected in Islamic cultures, and this might provide an open door to sharing Bible portions. Also, there may be room for teachers to help the women and girls learn the fundamentals of reading and writing. They may be interested in the Christ who respects women as much as men.

SCRIPTURE Only I can tell you the future before it even happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish. Is 46:10

PRAY Thank the Lord that He alone can tell the future, and His plans for today's people group can never be stopped.



BAH-nah

POPULATION: 195,000

LANGUAGE: Sindhi

RELIGION: Islam

BIBLE: Complete

STATUS: Unreached

Prayer Focus

Pray that access to education would grow for girls and women. Pray that the Bahna would hear the gospel in impactful ways and have ears to hear God speak to them. Pray that discipleship movements would be started in Bahna communities and grow mightily.