

***Fazlul Haq Addresses Fatima Jinnah as  
“Madr-i-Millat”***

GOVERNOR  
EAST PAKISTAN

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.  
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Most respected mother,

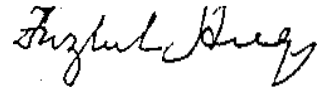
Permit me to call you so. You are as such mother of the Nation just as our late leader Janab Jinnah Sahib was the founder of the Nation. I hope you will permit me to address you as I have done.

I am sure you know by this time that I have been Governor of East Pakistan for about a year. When I came here I had to face a terrible famine. To relieve the distress I tried to collect money, but the

amount realised was not sufficient. I then took recourse to Raffle and by that means I raised some money and now I am at the end of my resources and I am at a loss as to what to do. The condition is now much worse than it was when I came here as Governor. We have lost the legacy of the last year and the new year, which we are now entering, does not forebode anything good. I am most anxious how to take recourse to any source which may be of help to me. In these circumstances, I thought that, I would ask you, dear mother, to help me with a donation from funds at your disposal. This letter will be taken to you by my Military Secretary and he will explain the whole situation to you. I am sure, you will realise my difficulties and, kind hearted as you are, you will hear the appeal of one of the sons of Pakistan who is now in a difficulty as to how to get rid of the situation which is being faced in East Pakistan. I hope you will help me with a substantial donation from your funds. I am dictating this letter from my sick bed and I am sorry if I may have been somewhat

irrelevant in what I have written, but I hope I have conveyed to you the sense of my pathetic appeal for help. I am sure, my Military Secretary will be able to explain the situation to you fully.

Yours sincerely,



Mader-e-Millat  
Miss Fatima Jinnah  
Karachi.