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# Mombasa teenager nominated for Princess Diana Awards for distributing reusable sanitary towels

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- The 17-year-old is a student at Aga Khan Academy, Mombasa county
- Together with his schoolmates, Ziyaan distributes sanitary pads, hand towels, booklets and soaps to women for free
- His initiative has encouraged more boys to participate in increasing menstrual awareness
- 17-year-old student from Mombasa county has been nominated for the 2019 Diana Awards.
- Ziyaan Virji, the Aga Khan Academy student, was feted for distributing reusable sanitary towels while also raising awareness about menstrual poverty.

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Ziyaan Virji, a 17-year-old student from Mombasa County has been nominated for the 2019 Diana Awards. Photo: Daily Nation  
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According to the Dianaaward.org.uk, Ziyaan was among many young people across the world who have demonstrated ability to inspire new generations.

According to Nairobi News, the humanitarian said his work could not be a success without the contribution of his friends, family and school.

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The 17-year-old who wants to empower women and arm them with entrepreneurial skills hopes that the award will help him expand his network. Photo: Ziyaan Virji  
Source: Facebook

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*“It is such an honor for my work to be recognised in the legacy of Princess Diana. I would like to thank everyone who was involved for their continuous support. It shows credibility of my work,” he said.*

Ziyaan, together with his schoolmates, make sure women and girls from humble backgrounds receive reusable **sanitary pads** allowing them to observe proper menstrual hygiene.

Not only does he provide **sanitary towels** but he also attaches underwear, soap, a booklet and towel.

*“So far, we have helped more than 300 girls to acquire access to menstrual hygiene in*

Kenya, Tanzania, Pakistan, India, Nigeria and the UAE. My aim is to reach out to many girls as possible because periods are a natural phenomenon and the stigma surrounding it should be stopped,” he added.

His cause has encouraged more men to step up and help ladies as they are their sisters.

“More boys are volunteering in this project. We should be part of the conversation because we have sisters. Also, later in life we will be fathers and our daughters will need us,” Ziyaan said.



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- The Fly540 aircraft carrying 36 passengers got stuck seconds after it's left tyre hit a pothole on the runway
- Manda Airport staff including engineers were forced to use jembes and shovels to dig out the plane's left tyre out of the pothole
- The aircraft, however, took off minutes later after going through several checks to ensure it was in perfect condition to fly again

There was a scare at the Manda Airport in Lamu after a Fly540 aircraft stuck seconds after it's tyre hit a pothole on the runway.

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The Sunday, August 11, afternoon incident forced the pilot of the aircraft to abort take-off, albeit for sometime, awaiting further instructions.

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Manda Airport staff including engineers were forced to use jembes and shovels to dig out the plane's left tyre out of the pothole. Photo: Daily Nation  
Source: UGC

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Daily Nation reported that the aircraft had on board 36 passengers who were scared to death following the noon mishap.

According to an airport official stationed at the Manda Airport who spoke to journalists moments after the incident, no one was injured.

*"The plane was about to take-off but it was a bit difficult. The pilot had to stop abruptly especially after realising that one of the plane's tyres was stuck in a huge pothole on the runway," he said.*

The official, who sort anonymity, said some airport staff including engineers were forced to use jembes and shovels to dig out the plane's left tyre out of the pothole.

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*"Engineers and airport staff had to be called and assisted in pushing the plane out and parked it at a safer location on the runway from where it was finally able to take-off safely," the official added.*

Official communication from Fly540 intimated that the aircraft took off minutes later after going through several checks to ensure it was in perfect condition to fly again.

*"The plane was to take-off at exactly 12.30pm but the issue caused a delay. It took off at 12.54pm after checks were made to ensure the incident hadn't created any other issue that could interfere with the flight," a Fly540 official told the media.*

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