

Mr. GULAM SABIR RASOOL

Ghulam Sabir Rasool, known as “Sabir,” is the owner of Ishaq and Brothers Company located in Namak Mandi, Peshawar, Pakistan. Sabir’s father, Ghulam Rasool, created the original company, Ishaq and Company, in 1960. Its mission was to export items such as specialty dried fruits, furniture, tobacco, carpets and gemstones to the world markets.



By 1974, Ishaq and Company specialized in gemstone exports and became well known to foreign buyers and well as the gem miners and traders in Pakistan and Afghanistan. It was the first company to comply with all government regulations and procedures. Thus, the company played an important role and enhanced the marketability of gemstone from Pakistan and Afghanistan by processing and shipping legal exports.

In 1995, Ghulam Rasool died leaving his business to his 2nd son Ghulam Sabir Rasool, as his first son had become a well-known doctor in Peshawar. At the time Sabir had recently completed his Masters of Science Degree in mechanical engineering at California State in Fullerton, California, USA. Upon his return to Peshawar the company name was changed to Ishaq and Brothers as his brothers continued to assist with the rapidly growing business.

Sabir received respect in the community and from foreign buyers such as Mr. Gary Bowersox for whom Ishaq and Co. had processed shipping since 1982. In 1997 Sabir was elected Vice President and Senior Chairman of the Northwest Frontier Province Gemstone Association. He served in this position for four years. In 2003 his company was designated as the “Number One Exporter.” His company has remained as one of the top three exporters since that time. In addition, Sabir was appointed to the Pakistan Valuation Sub Committee for Gemstones. In this capacity he is constantly providing free advice to local traders and foreign buyers.