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Floods Relief Work – Report for 26 August 2010

Please visit our website www.petarianfoundation.org for updates and photographs of the **Flood Relief Operation**.

Dear friends,
as salamu alaykum

The last few days have been extremely hectic for our operations as the floods finally inundated Jacobabad district totally, and we moved south - finally hitting Hyderabad and Thatta districts. The situation is extremely precarious at Thatta right now and our teams are rushing to that area.

Let me give you all a run down on what has happened in terms of our work during this past week.

Sindh - Thatta:

- Overall in charge of our operations is Mahmood Baweja.
- As I write this report, our teams have already mobilized at Thatta as of this morning. The area towards Sujawal is the most affected. Many people were evacuated in time who are now sitting shelterless on the roads.
- We are setting up camp in conjunction with Abdul Wahid Soomro, MNA for the area, who is also a Petarian.
- We have immediately moved nearly 100 tents from the Nowshera area where these tents are not required. We will be setting up temporary shelter for as many people at Thatta as possible. We may need to buy more tents. We want to set up a complete tent city in the Jhimpir area with full facilities.
- We have moved the boat and our trucks also over there.
- We have moved relief goods and will set up a supply chain to be able to provide food packs to the affected people. At the moment we are moving food for around 500 families to this area.
- We are setting up 3 medical camps in that area.
- Our teams are led by Mahmood Baweja, Aamir Syed, Dr. Agha Taj, Azeez Korai and Abdul Waheed Soomro (who is also the MNA for that region and is a Petarian). All of our team leaders are on ground in Thatta - Hyderabad area.
- Our volunteers include a number of youngsters as well.
- Dr. Agha Taj and his doctors' team will be moving to Jhimpir area tomorrow insha Allah to set up medical camp.
- I hope to send some more photographs and reports of activities soon.

Sindh - Jacobabad:

- We operated out of Sheranpur between 18-21 August led by led by Aamir Syed and Abdul Nabi Thaheem

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- We had our teams using the boat that we had taken from Karachi to rescue people who were stranded on rooftops or on higher ground that was surrounded by water making them into islands.
- We also took two lady doctors to stranded areas by boat to provide immediate medical help to pregnant women who could not be moved.
- We had relief items that were distributed to the people in that area.
- On the evening of 21st, the water rose even more and the city of Jacobabad was totally cut off from all land routes.
- The following day, our camp at Sheranpur was also inundated with the floods. Two days later, the whole area was submerged with around 15 feet of water standing.
- We assisted as many people as we could within our resources to evacuate from the area.
- Our team was amongst the last to leave the area.

Sindh - Moro:

- We pulled back our team from Jacobabad to Karachi at first
- They moved with further relief goods to Moro day before yesterday to assist in the operations there.
- Our survey revealed that this area is relatively under control with Pakistan Army and other agencies providing food and other necessary help.
- In the meantime, the floods had started to hit Thatta district, and we took a strategic decision to move to that area which is in total chaos at the moment and there isnt enough help available.

Sindh - Medical camps:

- Over the past week, our medical teams set up camp at different locations as follows:
 - Talti (Sehwan)
 - Duredero (Sehwan) - 45 minutes from Sehwan near the bund
 - Amri (Jamshoro) - totally inundated
 - Jamshoro
 - Kotri
 - Qasimabad, Hyderabad
 - New Sabzi Mandi, Hyderabad
 - Wahdat Colony, Hyderabad
 - Ketu Jatoi (Dadu Dist.)
 - Kashmore (sent medicines)
 - Sukkur (sent medicines)
 - Garhi Yaseen (sent medicines)
- Some of the reports from the field are as follows:
 - **Hyderabad (Qasimabad)** - Camp was set up on 13 August. A total of 181 patients were attended including 50 males, 52 females and 79 children. Typical diseases - skin, ear pain, diarrhoea

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- **Hyderabad (New Sabzi Mandi)** - Camp was set up on 14 August. A total of 73 patients were attended including 20 males, 31 females and 22 children. Typical diseases - skin, diarrhoea, fever, abdominal pain, gyne problems
- **Hyderabad (New Sabzi Mandi)** - Camp was set up on 17 August. A total of 531 patients were attended including 41 males, 183 females and 307 children. Typical diseases - skin rashes, diarrhoea, fever, abdominal pain, chest congestion, dehydration, general weakness of elderly patients, ear pain, anaemia, pregnancy issues, gyne problems
- **Talti(Sehwan)** - Camp was set up on 18 August. A total of 284 patients were attended including 20 males, 82 females and 182 children. Typical diseases - skin rashes, diarrhoea, fever, abdominal pain, chest congestion, dehydration, general weakness of elderly patients, ear pain, red eyes, jaundice.
- **Duredero (Sehwan)** - Camp was set up on 21 August. A total of 923 patients were attended including 118 males, 213 females and 592 children. Typical diseases - skin rashes, diarrhoea, fever, abdominal pain, chest congestion, dehydration, general weakness of elderly patients, ear pain, red eyes, anaemia, jaundice. Our teams visited three villages - namely Nao Wahan, Warya village, and Jalbani village which are in the bed of the River Indus. At that time, the water flow in the river was around 100,000 cusecs, and our teams had to battle severe danger to reach out to the patients. 2 females, wooden boats
- Medicines worth nearly 10 lacs were donated by different people which were distributed at these camps. All medicines were received in kind and only quality medicines were procured. Of this, nearly Rs. 730,000 worth of medicines were distributed at the camps, Rs. 175,000 worth of medicines were sent to Kashmore, Rs. 52,000 worth of medicines were sent to Garhi Yaseen and Rs. 45,000 worth to Sukkur
- The following doctors participated in our medical camps
 - Dr. Agha Taj Muhammad, MS Surgery, LMCH (Petarian)
 - Dr. Farhana Shaikh, Assoc. Professor of Gyne, LMCH
 - Dr. Shaheen, Gyne Consultant
 - Dr. Samina, Gyne GP
 - Prof.Dr. Mumtaz Ali Memon, Consultant Physician, LMCH
 - Dr. Mushtaq Abbasi, Consultant Physician
 - Dr. Rasool Bux Behan, Consultant Physician
 - Dr. Muhammad Ali Shah, ENT Consultant, LMCH (Petarian)
 - Dr. Saleem Raza, ENT Consultant (Petarian)
 - Dr. Akram Majeed, ENT Consultant
 - Dr. Shumaila, ENT Consultant
 - Dr. Anwar, ENT GP
 - Dr. Gul Muneer Vistro, Eye specialist Consultant (Petarian)
 - Dr. Rathi, Eye physician
 - Dr. Zeeshan Laghari, Paediatrician, LMCH
 - Dr. Anwar Laghari, GP

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- Dr. Anwar Abro, GP
- Dr. Jameel, GP
- Dr. Aftab Memon, Skin Consultant
- Dr. Manzoor Shah, Skin GP
- At the Hyderabad camps which were nearby, we had 7 more Gynaecologists and 4 additional paediatricians
- In addition, we had a number of paramedical staff, i.e. assisting staff, store keepers, compounders, etc to help the doctors.
- Assisting staff included following Petarians – Azeez Korai, Farooq Azam Memon and Kashif
- Our doctors were fasting on all these days despite the heat and tough conditions
- Injections and vaccines were administered where required
- One of the major issues was water borne diseases at every place. If we can overcome the water problems, many of the diseases would go away.
- We would like to thank the Medical Superintendent (MS) of Civil Hospital Hyderabad who accommodated some of the patients who were transported there by our teams.

Sindh - Sachal Goth Camp near Karachi:

- Petarian Association / CHAEF continue to provide food twice a day to over 500 people
- The program is managed by Brig Mukhtar, Rashid Nabi, Dr. Mashhood Qazi and Naeemul Hasan
- Maqsood Joyo is the on ground person who is taking care of all the requirements and managing the camp needs
- Abdul Ahad Shaikh is making all the logistical arrangements for preparation and distribution of food
- During the first week, CHAEF provided total funds and resources for this activity
- From this week onwards, Petarian Association is providing the same services and funds.
- Petarian Foundation has also started to raise funds for this purpose that will be channelized through the Petarian Association.

KP - Rehabilitation / Reconstruction Program:

- Gradually, the affected areas are coming back to normal as the waters have receded in most of the areas. However, thousands of people have lost their homes which need to be reconstructed.
- Abdalians/Petarians have selected two villages which are around 14km from Peshawar along the Motorway for rehabilitation and reconstruction - namely Karoona Village and Garhi Momin.
- While hundreds of homes in these villages have been damaged or destroyed, initially around 100 homes will be rebuilt by the Abdalians/Petarians for those

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families who are the most needy and destitute. When more funds are generated, we will build even more homes.

- We have developed initial design for such homes. The average size of such a home will be 460 sq.ft. having 2 small bedrooms, veranda, kitchen and toilet.
- Slab for this will be precast.
- The machines and many inputs will be provided by Ashfaq Hussain - President of Abdalian Association. Due to this input, it is estimated that the cost of materials for such a construction will be in the range of Rs. 110,000 to 135,000. Labor will be provided by the local people. Actually costing and planning exercises are under progress.
- We hope to start construction activities there shortly after the Eid when the area dries up and there is less slush and mud.

KP - Charsadda Relief work:

- Our partner organization Kawish Welfare Trust led by Ammar Tarin is currently supporting 900 families (7,000 people) with food and shelter.

Kot Addu - Southern Punjab:

- We are operating at Kot Addu in conjunction with our partner organization - Kawish Welfare Trust led by Ammar Tarin.
- So far, over 200 tents have been distributed. Further 500 tents are being arranged. We are locating cheaper sources of tents as well, however trying to ensure that these tents should last for at least 6 months.
- Over 700 families (4,500 people) are being supported with food and shelter

Accounts and Transparency:

- Our accounts team comprises of Mr. Naveed Abbasi (Accounts Manager) and Fawad Mustafa (Accountant) who have been diligently recording all funds received as well as expenses. Thanks to their hard work, we are maintaining full records
- We are issuing proper receipts against all cash received, which are being sent to the donors.
- All accounts of Petarian Foundation are audited and annual reports are on our website www.petarianfoundation.org for public viewing.

Funds Position:

- Petarian Foundation has raised Rs. 7,440,000 in cash donations plus around Rs. 2 million worth of medicines and food items in kind. In addition, we have our own resources such as the Shehzore truck and nearly 100 tents that are being used.
- Petarian Association has nearly Rs. 1.8 million in cash donations which are being used for the Sachal Goth operations and medical camps.

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- Abdalian Association has raised funds to build 50 homes at the moment, and hope to get funding for at least 100 homes.
- Funds are currently being utilized for relief operations. However, we will need a substantially larger amount for the reconstruction and rehabilitation work. We intend to spend all we can raise for this purpose.

Our next target is to raise **Rs. 50 million** for the reconstruction work. We shall continue to appeal to all friends to help out in this regard.

You can send your donations via Western Union or through bank transfer.

If you send by **Western Union**, we receive the funds the same day and there are no transfer charges. Kindly contact us for details on how to transmit.

However, if you prefer to send through bank transfer, then kindly send to our bank account as given below:

Beneficiary: The Petarian Foundation, 12A, Street 29, F-7/1, Islamabad, PAKISTAN

Account no.: 452-4734549001

Bank/Branch: The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited, 78-W Roshan Centre, Blue Area Branch, Islamabad

SWIFT Code: ABNAPKKAISB

Please do visit our website www.petarianfoundation.org for updates on the work being done and also visit the photo gallery there to see the pictures.

Thank you all for your continued support for this noble cause.

With Best Regards,

Kazi Zulkader Siddiqui, 671/Latif
Chairman

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