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Floods Relief Work – Report for 18 September 2010

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

Dear Friends
as salamu alaykum

I was in Karachi for the past couple of days and went to the Petarian-Abdalian Relief Camp at Jhimpir. I must congratulate our volunteers and workers for having done a wonderful job at the camp.

Let me quickly summarize the position there and I will also post some of the photographs here that I took. (I will post more photos on our website www.petarianfoundation.org insha Allah).

The is less than an hour and a half drive from Karachi. One needs to turn left at the Nooriabad SITE area to head towards Jhimpir on a single track road.

Our main camp is on the banks of the Kalri Lake. At the entrance you will find the following sign along with flags of Pakistan and Turkey fluttering above.



Main signboard at entrance of the Petarian-Abdalian Tent Village showing names of sponsors as well.

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The camp area was first cleaned out for all bushes and shrubs and levelled before laying out all the tents in proper rows in a neat and clean manner. The camp managers have tried level best to ensure that the camp is clean with no garbage lying around that can cause hygiene problems.



Some views of the camp



Water tanks are located in different parts of the camp. These are filled up with water from the lake using pump and pipes regularly.

It was late morning, and the women were busy preparing meals using coal and dry wood from nearby areas. We have provided them the dry rations which they use to cook chapatti, rice, daal and other food items which are part of their staple diet.



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Women cooking food for lunch

We are maintaining stores of dry rations at our management camp which is located nearly a couple of kilometers from the relief camp. The IDPs are given a supply of food rations for 3 days, and every third day more rations are given to them according to the number of people staying at each tent. Proper registers are maintained of the residents, and joiners and leavers are recorded.



Food stores - rice, wheat flour, cooking oil, daal, etc.

Picture on right shows stores of tents.



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The camp residents are provided with proper toilet facilities along with septic tanks to drain out the sewage. Water is also piped in and stored in tanks nearby. These toilets were built specially by us for this camp.



Separate toilets are provided for men and women in different corners of the camp. Picture on right shows septic tank to drain out the sewage. Privacy is maintained with walls and curtains at entrance of each toilet.

A special water filter plant has been set up for the camp to provide potable water for drinking that is free from bacteria and viruses. This has reduced water borne diseases at the camp.



Water filtration plant - women standing in background filling up water in pots



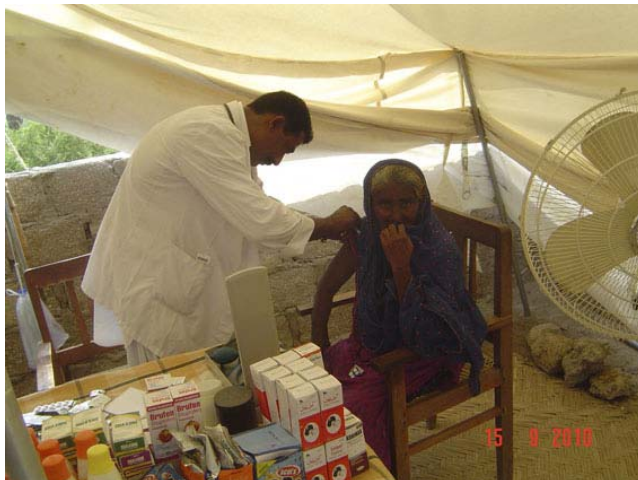
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Our mini medical center has been set up with one doctor available full time 24 hours a day. A full supply of medicines is provided. Most of the medical problems are related to diarrhoea, skin diseases, malaria, fever, etc. We also have had 4 babies born at our camp so far. One of these was through a caesarean section, and the pregnant lady had to be taken to the nearby hospital for this purpose. We provide transport to any patient that needs to be referred to a nearby hospital.



Our doctor - Dr. Soomro - examining patients

We have arranged for services of a teacher to teach the alphabets and the reading of Qur'an in an open air school environment adjacent to the tents. The children spend the whole morning reading and studying.



Our staff comprises of 22 volunteers and workers who are providing round the clock services to the camp for all the needs including pitching tents, distributing food rations, medical services, school services, security of the area, water filtration, maintaining hygienic conditions, transport and logistics, stores, etc.

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Some of our volunteers / workers at the camp



Beds for our volunteers/workers at management camp



Kitchen facilities at management camp for our workers / volunteers



General view of Jhimpir School where our management camp/stores are located

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On a daily basis, some families are returning to their villages while new ones come and join the camp. We expect that we would need to operate this camp for the next 4-6 weeks before all the residents would have returned to their own homes.

This will be followed up by our program for rehabilitation / reconstruction. I shall write about this in more detail on our plans shortly, as these are being evaluated and put into place. We have had meetings of our management and committees in this regard to finalize details of the plans.

I shall be posting a lot more photographs on our website www.petarianfoundation.org

I want to thank all the donors profusely once again for being open-hearted in donating so much from your hard earned money for the sake of Allah and His Creation.

Just as a reminder, you can send in funds through one of the following methods. We will be needing a lot more funds for the reconstruction / rehabilitation program, which we expect to start in the near future:

1. Through **Western Union**, we receive the funds the **same day**. If you wish to send through this, please send me an email and I will provide you details of the recipient, etc.
2. 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

With Best Regards,

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