

KASHMIR ORPHANS RELIEF TRUST

providing hope for orphans

UK Registered Charity No. 1113836



Rahim Shah the famous Pakistani Singer and Ambassador of KORT with the children

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KORT NEWS LETTER

Kashmir Government Donates 100 Kanals of Land to K.O.R.T for its NEW Educational Complex for Orphans

The Kashmir Government has donated 100 kanals (approximately 12.5 acres) of land at Jarrikas, Mirpur to Kashmir Orphans Relief Trust for its New Educational Complex. The land donated has been officially signed over to KORT, and the construction work has already started.

This is the first occasion in the history of Azad Kashmir that such an amount of land has been donated by the Government to a Charity/Non Governmental Organization (NGO).

For this kind gesture, KORT would like to thank the Government of Azad Kashmir and especially the Honourable Prime Minister Sardar Attique Ahmed Khan.

The foundation stone was laid for the new complex on the 7th of September 2007, at a special ceremony conducted by the President of AJK Raja Zulkernain Khan, Chief Justice of Supreme Court AJK Justice Choudhary Riaz Akhtar and member of UK Parliament Mr. Masha Singh, in the presence of KORT's chairperson, Choudhary Mohammed Akhtar and the trustees.

The ceremony was also attended by key dignitaries and a large number of local people.



Prime Minister AJK Sardar Attique Ahmed Khan with KORT Chairperson Choudhary Mohammed Akhtar

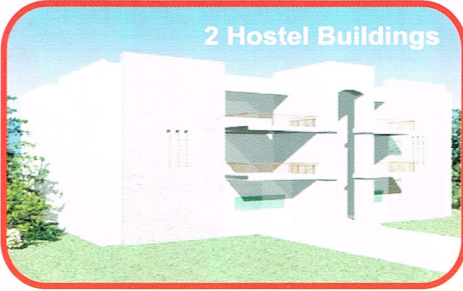
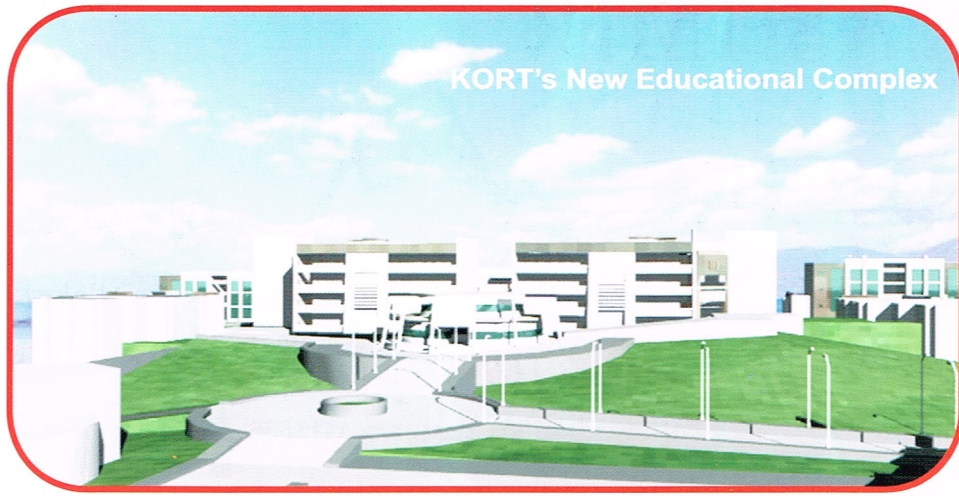


President of AJK Raja Zulkernain Khan being presented with KORT's shield by Chairperson Choudhary Mohammed Akhtar

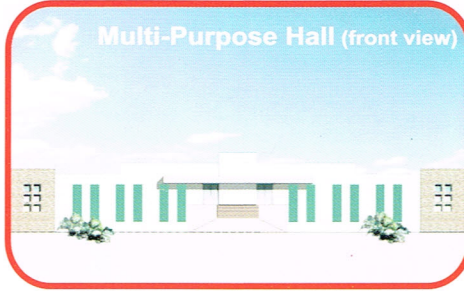
A Little About KORT

KORT was established after the 2005 earthquake, the first orphanage was opened in November 2005 in Mirpur (AJK) and accommodates over 100 orphans.

KORT is a UK registered charity (No. 1113836) and also a registered NGO in AJK.



2 Hostel Buildings



Multi-Purpose Hall (front view)

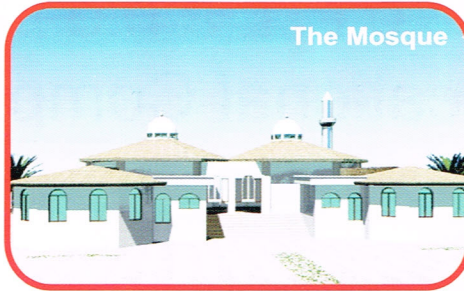


2 School Buildings

The New Complex

The plans for the new Educational Complex have now been drawn up and it will cost approximately £1.2m to build.

It comprises of accommodation facility for 1000 orphans in separate Hostels for boys and



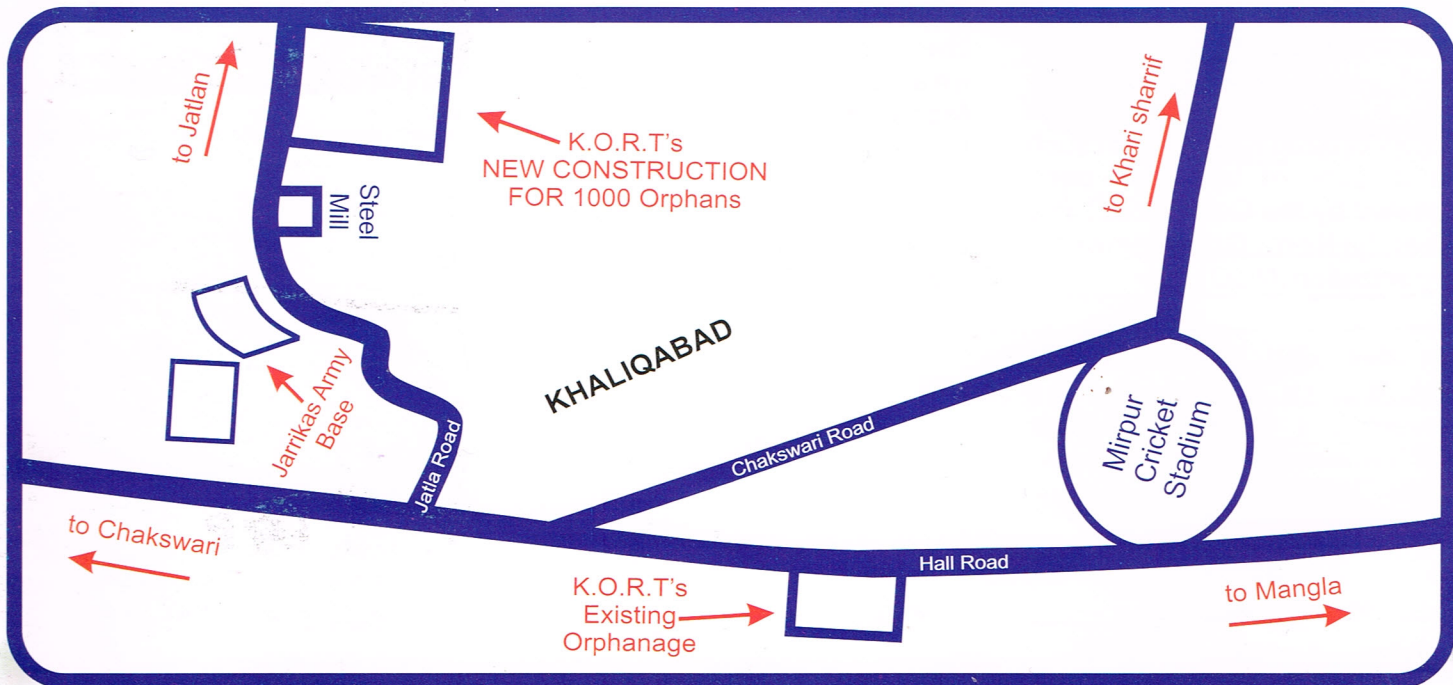
The Mosque



Hospital Building

girls, an Admin block along with two Academic blocks, a twenty bed Hospital, a Mosque, Sports

Ground and a Multi-purpose Hall.



Children of KORT

On the 29th of December 2005 the children arrived traumatized and in shock as a result of the earthquake and inevitably took a little while to settle down in the new environment.

On arrival the children were below the National Education Standard for their age. Two years on, with tailored support all children passed with above average grades – some achieving 1st/2nd and 3rd positions in their peer groups.



The Children of KORT

Ways to Help

Ways you can help and support the project:

- Sponsor a child - £35.00 a month will provide welfare, food, medical care and education for a child. We will give you an annual progress on the child you sponsor. Child's details can be provided upon request. You can visit the child at the KORT Education Complex.

- Sponsor a Room - £3850.00 the cost includes construction and furnishing. Permanent plaques can be installed in the donor's name or person/s of their choice.

- Donations – For the construction of the Mosque, Hospital, Sports Hall and Hostels, donation of any amount is welcome.

- Volunteering – When the construction of the new complex is complete, there will be opportunities for people from abroad to do some Voluntary work.



KORT's Chairperson and key dignitaries making a prayer at the foundation stone laying ceremony



President of AJK Raja Zulkernain Khan and Deputy Commissioner of Mirpur Mr. Fiyaz Ali Abbasi (left) with the children of KORT

Visit the Orphanage

We recommend you to visit the existing Orphanage and see the success of the project so far. Only with your help and support we can continue with the good work that our staff have been doing till now.

Visit us at :
Saif Plaza, Hall road, Sector F/4, Mirpur, AJK
or Call us : +92 58610 37044 or +92 30098 67760

Thank You

KORT's chairman, its trustees and the orphans would like to thank all the individuals and groups who donated generously during our previous live appeals in UK on Apna Channel, DM Digital and Radio Ramzaan (Sheffield). We hope that everyone will continue to support us and participate wholeheartedly during our forthcoming fundraising events.

A big Thank You to St. Phillips Primary School, Bradford for raising funds for KORT.

KORT's Forthcoming Fundraising Events

Saturday 15 December 2007
Live Appeal
DM Digital Channel (Sky 802)

Sunday 16th December, 2007
Live Appeal
APNA CHANNEL (Sky 817)

End January, 2008
Concert at Reading, Venue TBC
(please visit www.kort.org.uk for further details)

3rd February, 2008 Concert
Dinner at Bradford Hilton Hotel
Featuring Rahim Shah, Juggy D
and Sukhshinder Shinda

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For more information about KORT or the project please do not hesitate to contact any of our Trustees above, or visit our website on www.kort.org.uk

Your Details

Title: (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss) _____
Name: _____
Address: _____
Post code: _____ Tel: _____
email: _____

Your Donation

- Sponsor an Orphan £35.00 per month
 Sponsor a Room £3850.00
 Donation for the Mosque
 Donation for the Basic Health Unit (Hospital)
 Donation for Water Facilities
 Donation for Multi-Purpose Hall

Gift Aid Declaration

I am a UK Tax Payer and I wish K.O.R.T to treat all donations I have made for six years prior to this year, (but no earlier than 6/4/2001) and all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Payment Details



VISA



I would like to donate

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I wish to donate

Visa / Mastercard / Switch / Cheque / Postal

Issue No: _____

Card Number: _____

Start Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Expiry Date: ____ / ____ / ____

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Signature: _____ Date: _____

Standing Order Monthly Donation

Your Bank details - To the Bank of

Account Holder's Name: _____

Bank Name: _____

Bank Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Account Number: _____

Bank Sort Code: _____

Debit my account each month starting from: _____

£35.00 Other £ _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

To the benefit of : Kashmir Orphan Relief
Barclays Bank Plc, Town Hall Square, Leicester, LE1 1RU
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