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HAPPY AND HEALTHY THEY GROW!



“IT IS NOT WHAT YOU DO FOR YOUR CHILDREN, BUT WHAT YOU HAVE TAUGHT THEM TO DO FOR THEMSELVES THAT WILL MAKE THEM SUCCESSFUL HUMAN BEINGS” Ann Landers.

At KORT, our commitment to improve the personal development and self confidence in our children starts from the moment they walk through our doors. Here, a group of pre-school children were learning about fruits and vegetables and took part in a salad making activity. Thanks to the support of our donors, we are able to provide high end care and quality education so these children can keep smiling and develop into confident individuals.

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PHASE 2 CONSTRUCTION NOW COMPLETE!

By the blessings of the Almighty and the generous support of our donors, construction of the boys hostel for 500 orphan boys and an additional floor on top of the existing mess building (dining hall) is now complete.

Jinnah House is what the boys hostel will be known as in honour of the founder of Pakistan, Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

We pray that these facilities play a huge part in developing the next generation of top graduates in Pakistan/Azad Kashmir.

Thank you to all the donors who have contributed to this amazing project. We pray to the Almighty that he accepts the hard efforts of everyone involved, and that the children within our care become confident and successful individuals who go on to benefit their communities and humanity in general.



11 LUCKY ORPHANS PERFORM UMRAH

Thanks to our generous donors, 11 orphan children were blessed to perform Umrah and make dua for their loving sponsors in December 2018.

This was the 3rd year running that KORT was able to arrange this blessed trip with the support of our donors.

Apart from gaining the blessings of Umrah and worship in Makkah and Madinah, it was an opportunity for the children to connect with the outside world and experience travelling abroad whilst gaining valuable skills and meeting people from different backgrounds and cultures.



PAKISTAN CRICKET LEGENDS VISIT KORT

Due to the unique concept and achievements of KORT, there has been a significant increase in the number of visitors from various backgrounds who are left speechless by the facilities and care offered for orphan children by KORT.

In August 2018, KORT was honoured with a visit from Pakistani Cricket legends Inzamam Ul Haq & Aaqib Javed along with CEO Rana Atif and other members of the Lahore Qalanders Cricket Team, Minister of Sports Ch. Muhammad Saeed and Hafiz Muhammad Yasir.

Aaqib Javed sb said that the visit was an emotional experience and an eye opener to see how well orphan children can be cared for. Impressed by the living standards, hygiene and discipline of the children, he also praised KORT for setting such an inspirational standard of care for orphan children and hoped for this level of care to be replicated in orphan homes and care organisations in cities across Pakistan.

Following this visit, our chairman Ch. Mohammed Akhtar also met with Rana Atif and Aaqib Javed of the Lahore Qalanders Cricket Club in January 2019 to discuss future collaboration for the support of KORT. Both men agreed to become ambassadors for KORT, and plans were made to organise a charity cricket match in Mirpur between the Lahore Qalanders and a selected team from KORT very soon to raise awareness and gain further support for KORT and our orphan children.



PRESIDENT OF AJK HOSTS FIRST AGM OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF KORT

The unique concept of KORT along with the honesty, dedication and passion of our team has also caught the attention of senior government and Army officials of Pakistan including the honourable president of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Sardar Masood Khan, who is also the chief Patron of KORT.

The honourable President visited KORT in January 2019 to host the first AGM of the governing body of KORT. Updates and approvals were shared with the governing body as the President promised full support from his office for the progress of KORT.



LT GEN SHER AFGUN VISITS KORT

Lt Gen Sher Afgun also visited KORT in November 2018 accompanied by Maj Gen Muhammad Imtiaz Khan to see the progress and facilities of KORT.

Impressed by the standards of care for orphan children, Lt Gen Sher Afgun pledged his support and looked forward to future collaborations with KORT.



SECRETARY OF DEFENCE IS INSPIRED BY KORT

Very rarely would you find high ranking government and Army officials take out their time to visit charitable organisations.

KORT has been blessed with the support of Senior Officials and High Ranking Officers from the Pakistani Army due to the honesty of KORT and the high standards of care for orphan children.

In November 2018, the Secretary of Defence, Lt Gen Ikram UI Haq visited KORT along with Maj Gen Muhammad Imtiaz Khan, and praised KORT and their donors for setting up such an inspirational home for orphan children.

Lt General Ikram UI Haq also invited KORT to his office in December 2018 and provided gifts to the 11 lucky orphan children who were about to fly out to Saudi Arabia to perform Umrah thanks to our generous donors.



CORPS COMMANDER AND GOC OF MANGLA PLEDGE THEIR SUPPORT FOR KORT



KORT was also blessed to have Corps Commander Lt Gen Nadeem Zaki Manj and the GOC of Mangla, Maj Gen Nayyar Naseer visit KORT.

They were also amazed by the standards of the facilities and care for orphan children and pledged their support for the institution



TIME TO BRIEF THE PRIME MINISTER!



KORT chairman Ch. Mohammed Akhtar briefed our keen supporter and Prime Minister of Azad Kashmir, Raja Muhammad Farooq Haider on the latest progress of KORT.

As always the honourable PM pledged his support and gave his blessings for the future projects of KORT.

KORT HELPS HUNDREDS OF FAMILIES KEEP WARM THIS WINTER

Winter can be challenging, but with the right precautions, the hardships can be eased.

KORT was on hand again distributing thousands of warm blankets to the poor and needy families of Mir Ali and Miran Shah in Northern Waziristan during January 2019 with the support of the Pakistani Army.

This was the second successful winter blanket distribution following an earlier winter blanket distribution in November 2018 at the Leepa Jhelum Valley which sits 10,000 feet above sea level in Northern Azad Kashmir.

The beneficiaries of both distributions were very grateful to KORT for the warm blankets and made special prayers for its supporters to carry on this great work.



ALONE WE MAYBE STRONG, TOGETHER WE ARE DEFINITELY STRONGER!

A big thank you and a massive well done to the following donors, Muskorteers and Charity Partners who have donated 300 new bunk beds for our orphan children:

- Abdul Razak Moosa & Family (Durban, SA)
- Abid Hussain & Family (Leeds, UK)
- Zunaid Moti & Family (Dubai)
- Zaida Abid Karim (Dubai)
- One Nation (UK)
- Midland International Aid Trust (UK)
- Abdul Harris Sidik & Family (Malawi)
- Zahid Bari (Ireland)
- Farook Kassim - (Dubai)



GIVING IS NOT JUST ABOUT MAKING A DONATION, IT'S ABOUT MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Thank you to Mr Akbar Moosa and family of Durban, South Africa and Brother Imraan Karim of Dubai, UAE for gifting KORT this coaster from Japan. May the Almighty accept this gift from you as Sadaqah-E-Jariyah for you and your families.



OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF 2018



8th October 2018 marked 13 years since the devastating earthquake that struck Azad Kashmir. A remembrance rally was organised by KORT to honour and pray for the victims.



The DAN Team were back at KORT for the orphan children's annual dental check-up. Thank you Dan Team, keep up the great work and hope to see you again later this year.



In August 2018, we were able to perform 32 Qurbanis at KORT on behalf of our donors. This resulted in the distribution of over 1,500 2.5kg meat packs that benefited over 9000 vulnerable people who were able to enjoy the occasion of Eid-UI-Adha.



A massive thank you and well done to our Muskorteers from across the country who raised a massive £56,820 by selling delicious cakes during our cakes4orphans Ramadhan campaign. Please continue your support for our future cakes4orphans campaigns.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

KORT is home to hundreds of orphan children providing accommodation, food, clothing, education and medical care at our purpose-built home for orphans; the KORT Educational Complex, in Akhtarabad, Mirpur, Azad Kashmir.

You can donate £1,000 Sadaqah which we will use towards the day to day running of the complex. In return we will place a memorable tile on a dedicated wall of support at the KORT Complex in yours or a loved ones name.

You can **sponsor towards an orphan @ £35 per month** which will contribute towards the above costs. On receipt of your donation, we will send you details of the child who will benefit from your support. You will also receive a report on the child's progress once a year.

You can donate any amount of Sadaqah, Lillah or your annual Zakat or setup a regular direct debit of any amount to support us. For further information ring our office on 0300 123 7774 or visit our website at www.kort.org.uk

UPCOMING CHARITY DINNERS:

- Sun 3rd March - Derby
- Sun 17th March - Oldham
- Sun 24th March - Peterborough
- Sun 7th April - High Wycombe
- Tue 9th April - Newcastle
- Wed 10th April - Birmingham
- Sun 14th April - Walthamstow
- Wed 17th April - Blackburn/Hyndburn/Accrington
- Thurs 18th April - Leeds
- Sat 20th April - Bradford
- Sun 21st April - Nottingham
- Sun 28th April - Burton

For further information visit our website www.kort.org.uk/event

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Your Details

Title: _____ First Name: _____ Surname: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Tel: _____ Email: _____

Donation Type

Sponsor towards an orphan (£35 per month)

Brick tile (£1000)

Other Projects _____

Other Amount: £ _____

Lillah Donation

Sadaqah Donation

Zakat Donation

General Donation

**PAYMENT
METHOD:**

Cash

Cheque

BACs

Card

D/Debit

Standing Order

Card Payment

Card type: (please tick)

Visa Mastercard Switch

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Start date: ____/____/____ Expiry date: ____/____/____

Security code (Last 3 digits on the back): _____

Monthly Donation

Name of Bank: _____

Account holder Name: _____

Account No: _____ Sort Code: ____ - ____ - ____

Starting from 1st 15th Amount: _____

Gift Aid Declaration

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I am a UK taxpayer and would like Kashmir Orphan Relief Trust to reclaim tax on all donations I have made within the last 4 years and all donations I make hereafter.

I will notify the charity if I want to cancel this declaration, change my name or home address or no longer pay sufficient tax on my income and/or capital gains.

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Signed: _____

Date: _____


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General / Sadaqah

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Account No: 93309231

Zakat

Sort Code: 20-49-17

Account No: 13444112

Lillah

Sort Code: 20-49-11

Account No: 43084736

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