



KORT Children on Earthquake Remembrance Day (8th October)



KORT ON FIRM FOUNDATIONS

As can be seen from the very recent pictures on this page, substantial progress has been made on ground levelling since the last edition of KORT newsletter (beginning of Ramadhan). This is a massive achievement given that some of the rocks proved more stubborn than expected or anticipated. Hence new machinery had to be brought at additional cost to expedite this process. Given the geological nature of the terrain, the ground levelling phase is proving to be one of the most tedious and costly. However, we are pleased to report that we are making excellent progress and the pillars are now taking shape on firm foundations. The project is being managed

personally by the KORT chairman Mohammed Akhtar, who has relocated, with family, to Mirpur until the completion of the Complex, inshAllah.

We Would like to thank REKON CONSTRUCTION , of 47/48 Quaid-e-Azam Stadium, Mirpur AJK, for their support and assistance towards the design and construction of our project.



Pillars on firm foundations



Ground leveling in progress



Artist's view of the KORT's New Educational Complex

PLEASE DONATE GENEROUSLY TO HELP US ACHIEVE THE COMPLETION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF THIS NEW EDUCATIONAL COMPLEX FOR ORPHANS IN MIRPUR.

KORT CHOSEN AS CHARITY 2008 BY ABF (NE)

The Asian Business Forum (ABF), the voice for the Asian business community, now in its 5th year, continues to raise its profile through its working partnerships with key organisations in the UK.

The ABF North East held its annual dinner on Friday 24th October 2008 at the Hilton Hotel in Gateshead, Newcastle Upon Tyne. The event was attended by a range of local businesses as the members of ABF as well as a number of special guests including the chairman and Trustees of KORT.

Every year ABF raises money on the night for a selected charity, KORT being the chosen charity for 2008. A number of items were donated by local businesses which were subsequently auctioned to raise money for KORT.

The KORT chairman addressed the gathering and briefed the delegates on



The Chairman of KORT with North East trustee Urban Hussain and Hafiz Qayum of KBC TV Channel

KORT's foundation as a result of the earthquake in 2005, its progress to date and the future aims and objectives. Chairman thanked the ABF committee and the donors for raising over £6,000 on the night and for their continued support in the future.

Welcome

Since the last newsletter, Team KORT have been very busy organising and assisting in lots of different awareness and fund raising events up and down the country. Here is a selection of these:

Live TV and Radio Appeals

KORT had live TV appeals on DM Digital, KBC and Aap Channels during Ramadhan 2008, which were highly successful and raised significant funds and awareness.

Similar Live appeals were conducted on Radio Ramzaan Burton on Trent, Derby, Newcastle upon Tyne, Sheffield, Leeds and Leicester.

Team KORT would like to thank all the viewers and listeners respectively, who not only donated generously but gave us lots of compliments and encouragement. We hope that we can count on their support in the future also, inshAllah.

Newcastle Mela 24th/25th August 2008

We had a stall at the Newcastle Mela where we distributed KORT leaflets and balloons to the participants and in the process raised nearly £4400 over the two days. A big thank you to Newcastle City Council, the donors, and the Mela organisers, in particular Mohammed Yaqoob and Mohammed Taj for making our participation both possible and successful we would also like to thank Saathi Foods for their contribution of the promotional balloons.

Ramadhan Festival (Leicester)

KORT participated in the Ramadhan Festival held at the Leicester Exhibition Centre during the last ten days of the holy month. The festival was well attended and created a lovely atmosphere leading up to Eid ul Fitr. We raised over £3500. Team KORT would like to thank Salim Ali Mohammed (owner, LEC) for inviting us to participate and sister Farida Ijaz for giving up her valuable time to co-ordinate and organise the volunteers to man the stall and to raise money through various different activities such as mehndi, face painting, and raffle etc. A big thank you also to the 'Al Murad' family for their help and support throughout the festival!

Collection at Sainsbury (Banbury)

A big thank you to Sainsbury for allowing us a collection day that took place late September 2008, we raised £675. KORT would like thank Store Manager Steve Martin and the customers who donated generously.

Update on Forthcoming awareness/fundraising Events

KORT 10k Fun Run

Brothers and sisters we are giving you advance notice of a forthcoming event to be organised for the first time a '10k Fun Run' planned for May/June 2009. It provides an opportunity for you to challenge yourself - so dig out those tracksuit bottoms and prove that you still have it in you to accomplish this feat, run skip or walk! You have 4 to 5 months to prepare.

Run for charity, raise funds for the needy, have fun and improve your fitness in the process. If you wish to enter and require guidance and advice on how to prepare for the event, please contact Ali Latif on 07931 223 616 who will be more than happy to assist.

It is hoped that this will become an annual event Insha Allah. Information about the date and venue will be available on our website soon and also in the next edition of the KORT newsletter.

Charity Dinner

In the next few months we hope to host charity dinner events for families in Nottingham, Sheffield, Leicester and Derby to raise awareness and funds for orphans of KORT. More details to follow once dates and venues are confirmed.

Team Kort Is Honoured to have Mark Lawn (Chairman Bradford City FC) as Its New Patron.

Mark Lawn brings fresh ideas to help KORT to achieve its aims and objectives. To kick start, Bradford City FC have agreed to host a fund raising football match with KORT XI at the end of 2009 season. This type of fund raiser will be one of the first of its kind in that region. Further information and dates will be available on our website soon.



Student of QE with KORT Trustee



Team KORT and Volunteers at the Newcastle Mela



Ladies Event organisers Sisters Zhora and Rukhsana



Tony Baldry, Ashiq Hussain and KORT Chair at the Banbury Charity Dinner

Islam Awareness Day (QE College Leicester)

KORT attended the Islam Awareness Day organised by the students at QE College in Leicester on 20 November, 2008, as part of the National Islam Awareness Week. The event was well organised by the young people and attracted students of all the different faiths to learn about Islam and the significance of giving to charity in Islam. Quite a few students showed an interest in KORT by asking questions about our project and donating generously out of their pocket money! Thank you to Young Muslim Forum (QE) for inviting us to be part of their highly successful day.

Ladies event (Leeds)

A ladies only event was held in Leeds on 13th December, 2008 to raise funds for KORT. The event included activities such as, fashion show, Bollywood dancers and various stalls etc and raised over £2000. We would like to thank sisters Zhora Mohammed and Rukhsana Khawaja for coordinating and organising the event with so much enthusiasm and success.

Charity Dinner (Banbury)

A Charity dinner was held at Banbury Town Hall at the end of October 2008, which was well attended by a cross section of the local community as well as the local MP Tony Baldry and other dignitaries. We would like to thank all those who sponsored, supported and took part. We raised over £6500!



Trustee Ashiq Hussain presents KORT Award to Steve Martin Sainsbury manager (Banbury).



Mark Lawn with Chairman and Bradford trustees of KORT

Presentation to Schools in Mirpur (AJK)

Since relocating to Mirpur with his family the Chairman of KORT Mohammed Akhtar has carried out presentations to the pupils and staff of majority of the schools in Mirpur to raise awareness of KORTs existing orphanage on Hall Road as well as The New Educational Complex at Jarrikas.

KORT would like to thank the Principal, staff and pupils of City School (Mirpur Branch) for their continuous support. The City School pupils generously presented the pupils of KORT with Eid gifts. A Big thank you also to City School for holding a Food Mela on 12th November 2008, to raise funds for KORT .

The Chairman would like to thank the following institutes in the city of Mirpur for allowing us to give presentations to raise awareness of KORT and its future aims and objectives.

1. CITY SCHOOL SYSTEM
2. THE ULTIMATE ACCADEMIA SCHOOL SYSTEM
3. FAUJI FOUNDATION SCHOOL
4. THE GUIDANCE HOUSE SCHOOL AND COLLEGE
5. THOTHAL GIRLS COLLEGE
6. GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL KALYAL
7. THE BEACON HOUSE SCHOOL
8. MIRPUR SCIENCE COLLEGE FOR GIRLS
9. NATIONAL SCIENCE COLLEGE
10. GOVT SCIENCE COLLEGE
11. SHAH-E- HAMDAN COLLEGE
12. FARAN MODEL COLLEGE
13. QUID SCIENCE COLLEGE
14. VISION COLLEGE
15. MEHRAN COLLEGE
16. SHAHEEN MODEL SCHOOL
17. JINNAH MODEL SCHOOL
18. MIRPUR PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL
19. OVERSEAS GRAMMER SCHOOLS
20. CHINAR PUBLIC SCHOOL
21. BILAL ISLAMIC SCHOOL
22. CRESCENT MODEL COLLEGE
23. CENTRAL MODEL COLLEGE
24. SAVANT COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND INFO TECHNOLOGY
25. AHSAN'S ACCADEMY
26. MUSLIMS ACCADEMY
27. UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF HOME ECONOMICS
28. UNIVERSITY OF ENGINEERING
29. POST GRADUATE COLLEGE FOR BOYS
30. KASHMIR MODEL COLLEGE
31. PAK KASHMIR INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND INFO TECHNOLOGY
32. KIAS (KASHMIR INSTITUTE OF ADVANCE STUDIES)
33. FATIMA JINAH COLLEGE
34. GHULAM MUHAYODIN UNIVERSITY
35. MIRPUR COLLEGE OF COMMERCE
36. OPF PUBLIC SCHOOLS
37. SKYBIRDS PUBLIC SCHOOL
38. PIOLET SCHOOLS NO.1 AND 2 FOR BOYS
39. DUKHTRAN-E- ISLAM ACCADEMY
40. MINHAJ UL QURAN HIGH SCHOOL
41. SUPERIOR COLLEGE OF SCIENCE
42. ABDUL RAZZAQ INSTITUTE
43. GOVT COLLEGE OF INFO TECHNOLOGY
44. GOLDEN SPARROW HIGH SCHOOL



City School Mirpur pupils and staff with the children of KORT

KORT Welcomes New Trustees

KORT Chairman Mohammed Akhtar and the existing Trustees would like to welcome three more members to Team KORT. Namely Sajad Hussain of Saathi Foods from Bradford ; Parvez Akhtar of Seekers Estate Agent from Birmingham and Qurban Hussain a local businessman from the North East. Hopefully the new trustees would bring a wealth of experience, wisdom and fresh ideas to strengthen our team and offer further networking opportunities.

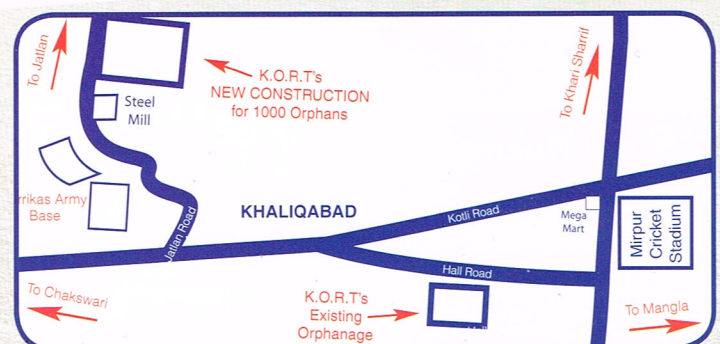
We would like to thank the new members in anticipation of their valuable time and efforts.

Showing Our Appreciation

KORT Chairman would like to thank Radio FM Rose broadcasting in Mirpur, and Radio AJK to raise the awareness of our existing orphanage in Mirpur as well as The New Educational Complex at Jarrikas.

Orphanage Visits

If you would like to visit our existing orphanage in Mirpur, AJK, meet the children and staff, please contact our UK head office to pre arrange your visit. We recommend that you see and experience at first hand the nature, quality of the education and care being provided.



Thank You

KORT would like to thank Sultan Meats of Bolton for their pledge of £6000 and we hope for their continued support in the future.



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