

**Placement of Medical Camp for the Area of Ternal in Kind  
Collaboration with National Institute of Handicap and Hashoo  
Foundation  
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## SUMMARY:

<b>Activity:</b>	<b>Medical and Aid Camp</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Ternol</b>
<b>Timings:</b>	<b>10:00 am – 2:00 pm</b>
<b>Participating organizations:</b>	<b>Global Peace Pioneers Hashoo Foundation National Institute of Rehabilitation medicine</b>
<b>Participating volunteers:</b>	<b>Doctors and Community Stakeholders</b>
<b>Covered areas:</b>	<b>Pind Paracha, Pind Pariya, Shaheenabad, Dhoke Mughala, Saray Khurboza, Dhoke Abassi and Shah Allah Dita</b>
<b>Categories of patients:</b>	<b>Blind, low sight and hearing problem patients, handicap, dumb, patients with any kind of disability and general sickness cases.</b>
<b>GPP's Faculty Coordinators:</b>	<b>Mr. Manzur Sahota Mr. Faisal Bhojia</b>
<b>Provided Treatments:</b>	<b>Medical Check-up, Medicines,</b>
<b>Provided Aid items:</b>	<b>Clutches, white canes, wheelchairs, hearing instruments etc</b>



## INTRODUCTION:

Global Peace Pioneers (GPP) is a non profit Organization, working in partnership with national and international Partners. GPP's main focus is on peace building, livelihood, Gender Equality and Development in Education, Water & sanitation. GPP has organized a camps for providing assistance to disables and providing assistance to consult and get treatment from NIRM, financial support from Bait-ul-Maal and technical assistance from Hashoo Foundation.



Global peace pioneers in collaboration with NIH and Hashoo Foundation organized a medical and aid camp on in Ternol. Camp covered the patients of 7 areas namely Pind Paracha, Pind Pariya, Shaheenabad, Dhoke Mughala, Saraiy Khurboza, Dhoke Abassi and Shah Allah Dita. More than 200 patients were seen in the camp by the medical doctor's team. Community executives were also there on camp to help to control the crowd and to help in other related arrangements during camp time. GPP invited Doctors to work with them in practical realization of the programs. In this activity Hashoo Foundation and NIH coordinated with GPP to hold its camp in Ternol.

On 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2010 GPP held its camp in Ternol to provide a medical check up to disabled and ill persons. The purpose of arranging camp in ternol was to reach out to the financially weak people who cannot reach doctors for their treatment because of any reason and secondly help those who do not have proper medical facilities at hand, which they badly needed. Disables were provided with medicines and with complete check up along with it they were provided with the clutches, wheel chairs, hearing instruments and white canes also. Doctors referred 25 disabled people for full check to NIRM. Pakistan Bait-ul-Maal planned to give financial support of 20,000 on yearly basis in case a family has two disable persons in it.



During the camp low sight patients, blinds, polio affected, deaf and dumb, mentally retarded and persons suffering from general sickness were checked. Patients were given on spot treatments. All patients used to belong to rural and poor areas that do not have access to proper medical facilities and were financially as weaker that they were unable to meet their daily life necessary needs so, through this activity GPP tried to provide relief to them and assisted them to approach better medical facilities at least. This medical camp has not only benefited the community members at large scale in a short time span but also provided an opportunity for all the co laboring organizations and stakeholders to build and strengthen their partnership to identify joint working areas, which avoids duplication of efforts and resources. GPP is also planning to continue this activity on a larger scale in future also. Overall, the medical camps ran smoothly and were deemed a success GPP meet its objectives of arranging the camp

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Global Peace Pioneers (GPP) is a non profit Organization and GPP is visiting poor areas and organizing camps for providing assistance to disable people to consult with doctors and get medicines and medical aid. GPP is also assisting disables to get treatment from NIRM and to get financial support from Bait-ul-Mala. GPP is searching for more disable people by visiting poor areas and khachi Abadis and registering them in its record to provide them with medical aid and facilities.



In this context Global Peace Pioneers visited the backward areas of Islamabad and Rawalpindi and tried to find the basic problems of the people living in those areas. GPP social organizers observed a large number of disable people in the visited communities. So, GPP made a plan to provide assistance and support to them but in this regard their complete medical check was required and GPP found the area of work so vast so GPP approach Hashoo Foundation and NIH for collaboration for this noble cause. When Hashoo Foundation and NIH joined hands for arranging the medical camp and providing the support at their best, GPP organized a medical camp in ternol on 20<sup>th</sup> march, 2010.

On the medical and aid camp day at 10:00 am category wise lines of patients were made for their medical check up. Their registration was done at first. In their registration form their names, ages and disability factors was included. The medical camps have provided services to an average of 200 patients from seven areas. During the camp low sight patients, blinds, polio affected, deaf and dumb, mentally retarded and persons suffering from general sickness were checked. Patients were given on spot treatments, medicines etc and 25 disables were referred to NIH for further treatment.



The purpose of arranging camp in ternol was to provide medical service and consultation to the disables at their doorstep. To provide medicines, vitamins, antibiotics, wheel chairs, clutches, hearing instruments etc free of cost. Moreover increase awareness about basic hygiene and preventative health care. One more important purpose was to assist the disable and poor people to approach NIH for better treatment and consultation. As all patients used to belong to rural and poor areas that do not have access to proper medical facilities and were financially as weaker that they were unable to bear their daily life necessary needs so, through this activity GPP tried to provide relief to them and assisted them to approach better medical facilities at least. GPP has conducted a successful session and was able to meet its objectives.



As it is known that the loss of sight and low vision can lead to termile consequences that effect self esteem and opportunities. So in the medical camp blind children and adults were checked and if there was a possibility of their treatment they were further referred for further check up and treatment. GPP is assisting the patients to approach NIH for further free consultation and treatment in this regard.



During the whole activity Hashoo Foundation selected 7 disables for training in Hashoo foundation. In the training disable person will be trained to work with clay, will learn the techniques of house keeping; will learn the art of tailoring and embroidery etc. The basic purpose behind providing this training is to make them able to generate income by themselves so that the financial burden of their families will decrease and there standard of living will improve. In other words it can be said that; the basic purpose was to reduce their complex of disability and poverty. Pakistan Bait-ul-Maal has said in this regard that after medical check and certification of disable person in the camp Bail-ul-Maal will provide a financial support of 20,000 to the families who have more than one disable person in them.

This medical camp has not only benefited the community members at large scale in a short time span but also provided an opportunity for all the stakeholders to build and strengthen their partnership to identify joint working areas, which avoids duplication of efforts and resources. The patients responded positively to the activity and expressed their appreciation that an effort was being made to bring attention to such issues. For future medical and aid camps arrangements GPP is contacting Bait-ul-maal, different organizations and stakeholders to collaborate with GPP and provide support either financial or of any other kind support that will be needed in holding a camp for disables and in providing them with medical aid and treatment. GPP is planning for arranging such camps in the future at a larger scale. It is therefore anticipated that the next camp will have approximately 400 patients. GPP team in this regard is visiting 5 more areas and finding sick, disable and needy people. Overall, the medical camps ran smoothly and had deemed a success. GPP had meet its objectives of arranging the camp.



## PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

GPP staff faced some problems in arranging the medical camp and the most highlighted ones are as follows:

First problem was regarding mobility resources. As GPP do not have their self convince for travelling so, they felt this shortage very badly especially when they went to bring the disable person from different areas at the fixed place of the camp.



Second problem they felt was shortage of medicines. As there was larger number of patients that required treatment of different diseases and disabilities and for that purpose a huge stock of medicines was required although GPP and its collaborating organizations tried their level best to meet the needs of patients.

GPP staff faced bit problem in handling the crowd and in doing their registration as most of the person were illiterate and they were not able to fill there forms themselves so increase the pressure of work of the volunteers and also of staff of the GPP.

## SUCCESS STORIES FROM THE FIELD

There were many stories that shows the success of the medical camp arranged by GPP but the three prominent stories are mentioned below

First case is of a 15 years old Israr from Ternol. He is a son of a daily wage worker with very low family income. Israr was polio affected and was unable to move without any support of his family members. His life was very miserable and painful because of this problem. GPP in their visit of ternol found him and register him to come on medical camp on 20<sup>th</sup> march, 2010 for check up and medical aid provision. After his medical check up by the doctors it was found that if he is provided with clutches then he will be able to walk on his feet without the support of any other person. So GPP provided him clutches in aid and now he is walking without the support of his parents. He is very happy by getting clutches because of them his dependence on others has decreased.



Second case is of 20 years old Shahnawaz. He is a son of a migrated Afghan family. He was by birth unable to speak because his Lip and Pallet were cleft. During the visit of his resident area GPP found his that his family was unable to bear the expenses of his treatment. Through GPP's support his check up from a doctor was done and he was suggested a surgery. GPP with the help of its collaborating firms made this surgery possible. NIH did a successful operation and now he is able to speak with his tongue whatever he likes.

Third success story is of a girl of 14 years. She does not have teeth by birth. She also belongs to a poor area with low financial status and GPP after medical check up by the doctor referred her to NIH for further treatment. And GPP's collaborating organization Hashoo also selected her for training at their organization. She will be given the training of tailoring and embroidery so that her dependence on family will be reduced and she will be able to generate income for her family also.

## **OVERALL IMPACT**

During the camp on 20<sup>th</sup> march, 2010 medical consultants provided free medical consultation and treatment to the patients. The patients responded positively to the activity and expressed their appreciation that an effort was being made to bring attention to such a big problem of their community. This medical camp has not only benefited the community members at large scale in a short time span but also provided an opportunity for all the stakeholders to build and strengthen their partnership to identify joint working areas, which avoids duplication of efforts and resources. Similarly such activities also help in establishing linkages of the communities with the other organization working in the same area. GPP was able to have a view of ternol area problems more closely and to make further plans for the benefits for these hard thrown people. Overall, the medical camps ran smoothly and had deemed a success and GPP meet its objectives of arranging the camp.

## **CONCLUSION**

This medical camp has not only benefited the community members at large scale in a short time span but also provided an opportunity for all the stakeholders to build and strengthen their partnership to identify joint working areas, which avoids duplication of efforts and resources. The volunteers and social organizers used the camp as an opportunity to raise awareness on basic medical issues, hygienic and unhygienic behaviors, and preventative health care. The patients responded positively to the activity and expressed their appreciation that an effort was being made to bring attention to such issues. GPP has received a lot of best wishes and prayers from the disable people, which are really need for the progress of GPP. It was also a chance for GPP to collect data on the disable person in their surroundings and have a view of their problems more closely and to make further plans for the benefits for the hard thrown people. Overall, the medical camps ran smoothly and were deemed a success by all involved and GPP meet its objectives of arranging the camp. GPP is immensely grateful to collaborating organizations, to all the doctors and stakeholders for volunteering their time and professional expertise. The doctors and volunteers also did an excellent job in organizing and maintaining the medical camps along with the GPP. GPP is also planning to continue this activity on a larger scale in future also.



**NOTE OF THANKS:**

Chairman GPP Ms Hina Iqbal thanked at the end of Medical Camp to its Collaborating organizations i.e. NIH and Hashoo Foundation for their kind role, to the team of Doctors who rendered their valuable services, to the patients who came there for treatment. She also showed gratefulness to the GPP staff and all other volunteers and participating members for their active participation and efforts for making this camp successful. On the behalf of GPP management she thanked NIH and Hashoo Foundation and all stake holders for providing their precious time and helping in curing the sick and disable people. GPP is really very grateful to all of you in real terms.