

# NEWS LETTER



President Mardan Chamber Commerce & Industries. Saad Masood-ur-Rehman Visited Future Skills, Mardan

Mr. Saad Masood-ur-Rehman, President Chamber of Commerce & Industries visited HDF office and Human Development Institute of Future Skills, Mardan. Mr. Saad was welcomed by Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Khan, Regional Program Manager Mardan HDF and Mr. Irfan Khalid, Training Facility Executive HDF. Mr. Saad appreciated this initiative of HDF and assured full cooperation in future. He also announced that Mardan Chamber of Commerce & Industries will sponsor two students in the 1st batch of HDIFS.

- President Mardan Chamber of Commerce & Industries. Mr. Saad Masood-ur-Rehman Visited HDI of Future Skills, Mardan
- Adoption of 100 RO Plants in Tharparkar
- Inauguration cermony of Human Development Institute of Future Skills in mardan
- Class of 2022: Commencement of Classes in HDI of **Future Skills**
- HDF Provided 150 Wheelchairs to Differently-Abled People in AJK
- Prime Minister Imran Khan launched Spring Tree **Plantation Campaign**
- HDF plans to plant 5000 Saplings for Tree Plantation Campaign 2022 in Zhob, Balochistan

- Spring-Tree Plantation Drives in Collaboration with Forest Department Plantation & Preservation
- Annual Development Plan (ADP) Orientation Workshop 2022
- Meeting with Pak-Oman Microfinance Bank (POMFB) to Discuss Future Avenues under 'Microfinance Outreach Partnership'
- An Exploratory Meeting with Energy Department, Government of Sindh
- More than 1,400 Students & Teachers were Screened & Provided Spectacles under 'Nazar 2020' Program
- **Mobile Health Units**
- Scholarships that Guarantee an Award
- HDF Organized a Logo Contest for Human **Development Institute of Future Skills**
- **HDF Observed International Education Day**
- Distribution of Tri-Wheelers
- Uniform Distribution Ceremony in Soon Valley



- www.hdfpk.com
- info@hdfpk.com
- **(+92)** 51 2270143-8
- Ŷ 19-A, Mezzanine Floor, Pak Plaza, A.K.M. Fazl-ul-Haq Rd, Blue Area, G-6/2, Islamabad 44010, Pakistan.



# **ADOPTION OF 100 RO PLANTS IN THARPARKAR**

### A landmark Partnership of Human Development Foundation and Public Health Engineering Department, Government of Sindh



Human Development Foundation (HDF) and Public Health Engineering Department, Govt. of Sindh, have signed a landmark partnership. Under which, HDF will adopt 100 government installed Reverse Osmosis (RO) Plants in Tharparkar and will repair, operate and maintain all these non-functional RO Plants to provide clean drinking water to the people of Tharparkar, Sindh with generous support from Pakistani diaspora in USA.

HDF represented by the CEO Mr. Suhail Awan, and the Department of Public Health Engineering Department, Government of Sindh, represented by the Secretary & Additional Secretary with the team including Technical Director, Chief Engineer Operation, Executive Engineer, Superintendent Engineer, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at PC Hotel Karachi, Sindh. The event was graced by Mr. Syed Nasir Hussain Shah, Provincial Minister of Sindh for Local Government, Forest and Religious Affairs. The Ceremony had 20+ media personnel in attendance & media coverage in over 10 news outlets.





This partnership is an innovative approach towards achieving inclusive development rather than creating new structures HDF will adopt non-functional government installed RO plants and make clean drinking water accessible by repairing and maintaining these plants, using HDF's successful engagement approach with partner communities. By operationalizing all these 100 RO Plants, almost 1 million Gallon/Day clean drinking water will be available to around 300,000 people of Tharparkar

Besides, Operation and Maintenance of Government Installed RO plants, HDF has also planned several interventions under its annual development plan for Tharparkar in the areas of Bio-Saline Agriculture, Livelihood, Food security, Education, and Youth Entrepreneurships.

HDF intends to expand the scale and scope of these interventions in partnership with Government of Sindh, District Government Tharparkar, and Thar foundation. These partnerships and our shared vision for Tharparkar community, will propel us to work towards improving quality of life in Tharparkar.

## INAUGURATION CEREMONY OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE OF FUTURE SKILLS IN MARDAN

A Youth Training Center Imparting Employable Future Skills to the Youth of Mardan



CEO HDF, Mr. Suhail Awan inaugurated the newly launched Human Development Institute of Future Skills in Mardan on January 21st, 2022. HDI of Future Skills will be a state-of-the-art training facility which will offer multiple stream of skills training to the youth of Mardan as well as co-working space to the graduates of these trainings. In its initial phase, the center is providing training in Amazon Virtual Assistant in collaboration with POA solutions. In his address, Mr. Suhail Awan shared that the vision behind the establishment of the center is to impart employable future skills to prepare the youth for a better tomorrow. Empowered youth equipped with marketable skills can not only uplift themselves and their family's wellbeing but can also positively impact society and economy at large. HDI of future skills will also provide scholarships to the deserving students, so that mere lack of financial resources will not stop anyone from moving forward.





#### Class of 2022: Commencement of Classes in HDI of Future Skills

HDI Warmly Welcomes our First Batch of Amazon Virtual Assistant Course

HDF's newly established venture Human Development Institute of Future Skills has formally started its classes on 7th February, 2022. The first enrolled batch of students will take a three months training in the Amazon Virtual Assistant course, under a highly competent trainer from POA Solutions. Fulfilling its promises, HDF has provided 20% discount in fees to all the enrolled male and female students of the course. HDF has also awarded full fee waiver scholarship to the four most deserving students to ensure that students with unfortunate financial circumstances can also get the chance to learn and to earn a decent livelihood.

# Wheelchair of hope

#### **HDF Provided 150 Wheelchairs** to Differently-Abled People in **AJK**

#### To Restore the Smiles of Earthquake Survivors in Bagh, AJK

On 15th commemoration of the devastating earthquake of October 2005, HDF committed to restore the smiles of earthquake survivors in AJK by providing 150 wheelchairs to the differently-abled deserving individuals. HDF distributed wheelchairs in Bagh, Neelum, Lipa Valley and other areas of Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) with support of Muslim communities of Denmark through Danish Muslim Aid (DM-Aid). The wheelchair distribution ceremony held on 6th January 2022 was attended by Mr. Suhail HDF. Brigadier Sajid, Commander 6AK Brigade Bagh, and Mr. Abdul Wahid, Director Social Welfare Department.

District Bagh is one of the most disaster-prone areas of AJK. 8 October 2005 was a tragic day in the history of Pakistan as, more than 75000 people lost their lives and a large number of people got disabled for life. There are families still recuperating with their loved ones in disability in AJK. People are bound to their spaces and unable to move, and are dependent on their family members. Wheelchair provision will not only reduce their need of caregiver assistance but will have long term impact in the form of communicative, social and cognitive

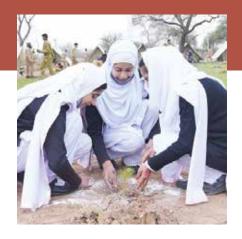




# Spring TRee **PLantation** Campaign 2022

### Prime Minister Imran Khan launched Spring Tree Plantation Campaign

2021 has been a year of leading global climate action for Pakistan. To mainstream climate change in the economically and socially vulnerable sectors of the economy and to steer Pakistan towards climate-resilient development, HDF School Islamabad participated in the launch of Spring Tree Plantation Campaign 2022 inaugurated by honorable Prime Minister of Pakistan Mr. Imran Khan on 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2022 at Head Quarter of Islamabad Boy Scouts Association (IBSA). Other dignitaries who attended the prestigious ceremony were Mr. Shafqat Mahmood, Federal Minister for Education & Professional Training, Ms. Zartaj Gul Wazir, Minister of State for Climate Change, Mr. Malik Amin Aslam Khan, Federal Minister for Climate Change and Mr. Sarfraz Qamar Daha, Chief Commissioner PBSA. On this occasion of World Scouts Day in association with Pakistan Boy Scouts Association (PBSA), students from HDF schools planted several saplings to achieve SDG15: Life on Land. For our 25th Anniversary, HDF pledges to plant 2.5 lacs more saplings in the year 2022 under our Sustainable Environment







#### **HDF plans to plant 5000 Saplings** for Tree Plantation Campaign 2022 in Zhob. Balochistan

HDF through its sustainable environment program is working to preserve the ecosystem and create a healthy environment by providing clean drinking water, better sanitation facilities, and increase in forest cover. HDF aims to off-set carbon emissions and reduce impact of climate change on vulnerable communities through plantation. To achieve this objective, HDF is working closely with the provincial and district governments to achieve the national priorities and targets, In 2020, HDF Zhob planted 3000 plants sapling in different villages of the districts with high level of community engagement. For the year 2022, HDF Zhob has received the permission from Deputy Commissioner Zhob to plant 5,000 more trees in HDF's program areas in collaboration with the Government of Balochistan. This tree plantation campaign will start from March 1st, 2022.

#### **Spring-Tree Plantation Drives in Collaboration with Forest Department** Plantation & Preservation

In a bid to fight climate change, HDF in collaboration with Forest Department, launched a Plantation Drive as part of our 'Sustainable Environment' program in all regional areas. The Spring Tree Plantation Drive flung on 14th February from Mardan region, where 4000 sapling trees were planted with the support of Forest Department and community engagement. The campaign was accompanied by strong community-level commitment and voluntary contributions by individuals, students, and women. Plantation drive is an evidence of HDF's commitment towards achieving the national target of planting 10 billion trees to revive forest cover and conserve nature. HDF always strives to do its part to combat the effects of global warming and climate change by engaging local communities.

### ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (ADP) ORIENTATION WORKSHOP 2022



#### An effort to put the organization on the trajectory of sustainable growth to mitigate multi-dimensional poverty

HDF organized an orientation workshop for key staff from all regions. The three days ADP orientation workshop was held in Islamabad and Karachi in the month of January, with the objective to orient project staff on key program activities, interventions, outcomes and targets planned in ADP 2022. The staff was also

apprised on monitoring and evaluation, and communication plan for the year 2022. The orientation workshop kicked off from Islamabad, where all staff from Head Office Islamabad, and regional offices AJK, Mardan and Lahore participated following another workshop in Karachi at HANDS with key staff members from Karachi, Hyderabad, Rahim Yar Khan and Zhob regions. The ADP orientation workshop helped in achieving multiple objectives including knowledge sharing, team building, identification of challenges at ground levels and strategic directions for effective implementation of annual development plan 2022. Also, this extensive orientation workshop would help the regional teams of HDF to maximize accuracy, efficiency, and productivity at ground level.



#### **Meeting with Pak-Oman Microfinance Bank (POMFB) to Discuss Future Avenues** under 'Microfinance Outreach Partnership'

A valuable meeting was held with the representatives of Pak-Oman Microfinance Bank (POMFB) at Pak-Oman Head Office, Karachi. Among the attendees were Mr. Farooque, CEO POMFB, Mr. Zafar Iqbal, Head of Marketing and Business Development POMFB, Mr. Janmak, Mr. Babar Nazir Chaudhary, Director Programs

HDF and Ms. Maria Soomro, Regional Program Manager HDF. The agenda of the meeting was to discuss in detail future partnership strategies and extended way forward for microfinance outreach. During the meeting, Mr. Babar, Director Program HDF, shared the current status of activities, the process of execution and the key challenges in its process. Matters of increasing revenues, growth in terms of business expansion, increasing profitability by building strategic partnerships, and making strategic business decisions were also discussed. The meeting concluded with agreed discussion and decision by both parties.

#### An Exploratory Meeting with Energy Department, Government of Sindh





A coordination meeting was held between HDF, ENI, and Energy Department Govt. of Sindh attended by Mr. Abu Bakar Madni, Secretary Energy Sindh, Mr. Kamran Ahmed, CEO OPL-ENI, Mr. Jhanzaib, Executive Director-ENI, Mr. Khalid Aziz, Director Program, CSR-ENI and Ms. Maria Soomro, Regional Program Manager-HDF. The agenda of the meeting was to establish Public-Private Partnership through adoption of schools and health units running under CSR by Energy Department, Govt. of Sindh. This will not only meet the specific and immediate needs of education and health in district Jamshoro and Khairpur but will strengthen and enrich instructional HDF education & health program, expanding the program scope and outreach in Sindh.

### MORE THAN 1,400 STUDENTS & TEACHERS WERE SCREENED & PROVIDED SPECTACLES UNDER 'NAZAR 2020' PROGRAM

To ensure uninterrupted learning in a child's education through Improved Vision





School Health Program is one of the key component of HDF Education and Literacy flagship program. To ensure uninterrupted learning in a child's education, HDF has initiated an eye sight screening program in schools aptly titled NAZAR 2020 in collaboration with philanthropist, Mr. Saglain Khan of Illinois, USA. partnered with Pakistan Institute of Rehabilitation Sciences (PIRS), a HEC (Higher Commission) recognized Education awarding institute for successful implementation and sustainable growth of Nazar 2020 program. This initiative aims to promote a quality learning experience in school going children through improved vision by regular check-ups and

screening of the students and teachers' eyesight on annual basis. Under this program, HDF plans to serve HDF's own operated schools, and 12 selected schools and colleges of Federal Directorate of Education (FDE). Under first phase of NAZAR 2020, 1,452 students and teachers from 4 FDE schools in suburbs of Islamabad located in Chirrah, Kirpa. Thanapani and Rawal Town were screened for eye-related issues. Teams from PIRS and HDF screened students for uncorrected refractive errors (RE) and other eye-related issues, the students diagnosed with RE were provided with spectacles and the ones requiring further treatment were referred to eye specialists.





#### **Mobile Health Units**

Human Development Foundation has arranged mobile health units in response to the need of underserved communities in Karachi. MHU is a custom vehicle loaded with equipment, medical supplies, and skilled professionals, all set to bring the healthcare, which is otherwise inaccessible, closer to where communities are living. The main reason for mobile health care is provision of accessible health services that are welcoming to homeless and deprived people who can't or won't go to fixed-site clinics and hospitals. This Mobile unit is the sole source of health care for identified rural communities.

Scholarships to deserving and bright students are an integral component of HDF's Education & Literacy program which are awarded to students, especially girls, studying across the country, from primary schools to universities. To make sure every child has access to quality education, multiple scholarship programs of HDF are

Donate **Educate**  students from primary till higher education. So far HDF has awarded 906 scholarship awards among the bright and deserving students under this program. This year HDF has awarded scholarships under Qadir-un-Fatima Scholarship and Dr. Abdus Salam Scholarship to ten deserving and promising students to support them in their pursuit of educational goals.





### **Scholarships** that Guarantee an Award

**Scholarships** Awarded Ten Deserving Students

Qadir-un-Fatima Scholarship is a need/merit based scholarship. A scholarship of PKR 460,000 was disbursed among five students from Mardan, Rahim Yar Khan and AJK.

Dr. Abdus Salam Scholarship is also merit based science scholarship, funded by HDF Canada for two years to support the science students of grade 9th. HDF has disbursed the 1st installment of this scholarship amounting to PKR 15,000, in a distribution ceremony among five deserving female students from HDF schools in Mardan, Rahim Yar Khan, Tando Muhammad Khan and Islamabad.

#### **HDF Organized a Logo Contest for Human Development** Institute of Future Skills



Running a social media contest is an amazing opportunity to engage youth and amplify brand, your products, and your services. A logo contest for Human Development Institute of Future Skills was organized on 28th December, 2021 with a cash prize giveaway of 25,000 PKR to create an avalanche of social media buzz and to engage creative students from all over the country. The contest generated around 50 entries.

Students and professionals from different universities participated in the contest. Once all the entries were received, they were presented to the staff during the ADP meeting held in Islamabad and the winner of the contest was selected. The winning logo was selected as the official logo of HDI of Future Skills and subsequently the participant was awarded with the cash prize of 25,000 PKR and a certificate.

#### **HDF Observed International Education Day**

HDF observed International Day of Education on 24th January, 2022 to commemorate HDF's role in educating more than 100,000 out-of-school children belonging to the underprivileged communities in its program areas. Education and Literacy Program of HDF aims at providing quality education to children in marginalized communities with multiple scholarship programs. HDF is striving hard to protect every child's right to education with special emphasis on gender equality by ensuring 65% female students enrolment. Under this year's theme 'Changing Course, Transforming Education', HDF held extensive teachers training workshop in all regions with the aim to train teachers on the modern pedagogical skills and to update teaching methods as per the latest and innovative teaching trends. To facilitate and encourage more children to access quality education, we have so far awarded 869 THANKS scholarships to the bright and needy students.

#### **Distribution of Tri-Wheelers**

**Providing Safe & Secure Travelling for Students & A** Path to Promising Future for the Deprived **Individuals** 

Human Development Foundation has arranged mobile health units in response to the need of underserved communities in Karachi. MHU is a custom vehicle loaded with equipment, medical supplies, and skilled professionals, all set to bring the healthcare, which is otherwise inaccessible, closer to where communities are living. The main reason for mobile health care is provision of accessible health services that are welcoming to homeless and deprived people who can't or won't go to fixed-site clinics and hospitals. This Mobile unit is the sole source of health care for identified rural communities.





#### **Uniform Distribution Ceremony in Soon Valley**

**To Improve Student Learning outcomes** through improved learning environment

A uniform distribution ceremony was organized in 2 schools of Soon Valley, Village Mustafabad. The ceremony was held on 29th January 2022 in Elementary School for Boys and Govt. Girls Primary School where HDF distributed 56 school uniforms among the deserving students. It was made possible only due to the generous funding from Dr. Khalid Riaz, Chairman HDF. He has been kind enough to provide his personal donation for the deserving students of the schools of Mustafabad for uniform provision. The ceremony was arranged by the school's administration and was attended by all the beneficiary students and their parents. The activity was planned with one of HDF's key objectives to improve student learning outcomes through improved learning environment.

# **DONATE** NOW

(in **5**) (in **5**) (in **5**)





(+92) 51 2270143-8

💿 19-A, Mezzanine Floor, Pak Plaza, A.K.M. Fazl-ul-Haq Rd, Blue Area, G 6/2, Islamabad 44010, Pakistan.



