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MEETING NOTICE.

6th March 2024: It is most important to inform you all that by the grace of Almighty Allah Human Aid Society Jammu camp office completed its turn and all the officials reached back to Kashmir on 5th March.2024 and have resumed their duty today as on 6th March from Baramulla Head office.

It was also conveyed to HAS Members and volunteers that the holy month of Ramzan is coming and also the current financial year is near to end so it is mandatory for all of us to sit together and discuss some important issues and challenges and their solutions as we are going to face during the next financial year 2024-2025. So, keeping this in mind Human Aid Society had called an important meeting of its members and volunteers on <u>9th March 2024</u> (Saturday) 11 a.m. at its head office Baramulla and all members were highly requested to please attend the meeting and share their valuable views and experiences for the smooth running of Human Aid Society ongoing programs/ projects.

Meeting Corrigendum.

It was conveyed to all the members about Human Aid Society meeting that was rescheduled from 9th march (Saturday) to 10th March (Sunday) 11 am.

VTEDS Project Progress.

Human Aid Society expressed its gratitude that the Women Empowerment initiative (Skill Trainings centres as established by HAS during the financial Year 2023-2024 in collaboration with Kashmir Development Foundation-UK yield its remarkable results and the trainees are now able to earn for themselves. It is pertinent mention here that both the collaborating partners had well equipped these canters and also installed Biometric attendance devices and CC cameras so that security of aspirants can be ensured.



Executive, General Body and Volunteers Minutes of Meeting.

10th March 2024: An emergency meeting of Human Aid Society was convened at the head office of HAS on 10th March 2024. The meeting was presided over by the HAS Senior most General body member Mr Ghulam Rasool Wagay. In the beginning Chairman, vice chairman and the senior members of organisation formally welcomed a new member namely Prof. Rafia Wali of Wagub who is a prolific fiction writer and is currently posted as Associate professor in GDC Sogam and joining with HAS is expected to be a motivation for women folk who usually hesitate in working formally in social sector.



Chairman briefed the members about the Delhi visit of convened by JKACN in an attempt of outreach to various national and international organisations. Prominent organisations like JKYT, JKYF, Humanity the ultimate faith, Islamic Relief and research trust, HWVO and many other NGOs represented J&K in Delhi and had excellent sessions with all especially UNICEF, UDYAN, Miracle Foundation and Butterfly, Human Aid Society represented by Chairman and Secretary efficiently put forth the organisations point of view. Furthering the meeting agenda and after thorough discussion following points were prioritised:

- 1. That Every member will exert full efforts to ensure a good fund raising in the holy month of Ramadhan.
- 2. That every induvial member will at the earliest identify the most deserving students from 6th to 12th for HAS educational sponsorship programme and shall submit their required particulars to HAS office up to 15th March 2024.
- That Members will help in identifying the elderly male homeless uncared persons eligible for admission in HAS old age home so that already established old age home can be made functional expectedly from 25th April 2024.
- 4. That HAS organisation will be helped by its associate members in identifying 300 most deserving beneficiaries for issuance of Ramdhan special food kits for Baramulla, Bandipora and Kupwara districts. This is urgent and shall be executed in the first week of Ramdhan.
- 5. The Chairman tentatively apprised the members about the lump sum financial details of 2023-2024.
- 6. That Members were requested to identify three villages with high population of BPL so that women empowerment skill centres can be established there for the benefit weaker section of the society.

7. On concluding remarks Mr Ghulam Rasool Wagay extended his gratitude to all the members for propelling the vision of Human Aid Society and expected all to work selflessly for the benefit of the society. The Honorary Patron Human Aid Society Mr Karamat Qayoom marked his presence after the conclusion of meeting since he had some inevitable assignment.

INTERACTION WITH GOVT OFFICIALS.

13th **March 2024**: A team of senior members of Human Aid Society lead by the its chairman dropped into the office of director horticulture Kashmir to felicitate the new director horticulture Kashmir Dr. Zahoor Ahamad Bhatt. This is really a great news for whole valley in general and growers in particular since the incumbent officer is an expert in the field of horticulture who is known for his expertise and experience to promote and safeguard the genuine aspirations of growers.



Chairman HAS while expressing his gratitude to the administration for choosing an appropriate person for this post and hopefully he is expected to ease out the problems of growers and make this trade hurdle free. The team also visited the office of ARTO Flying Squard Kashmir and facilitate Mr. Mubashir Jan for being assigned the charge of flying squad. A man of great integrity proved his metal during his tenure as ARTO Baramulla where he introduced on road trials successfully thereby making Licence process transparent. His elevation is expected to do miracles in the streamlining of transport system. HAS team wished a successful and people friendly carrier for both of these officers.

Kupwara Food Kit distribution Under Ramdhan 2024 programme.

17th March-2024: In the holy month of Ramdhan 2024, Human Aid Society in collaboration with **Iltizam Relief Society Malaysia** distributed 50 Food kits among the poorest, widows and needy people in Village Cheerkote and Kalaroos of district Kupwara in the presence of HAS newly joined members, Mr Er Khazir Mohammad and Mst Dr Rafia Wali. The organisation makes it sure that the distributed food kit items should be enough for one month to a family having five to six family members.

The people of that area especially the young youths hailed the efforts of the organisation for considering their uncovered villages of (Kupwara) and telephonically expressed their views with the Chairman of HAS and showed their interest to work with this organisation in future course of time as volunteers.



HAS Abid off its women empowerment aspirants

31 March 2024: Women skill development centre at village Khargam (Tehsil Pattan) organised a concluding function since the scheduled training course in cutting and tailoring where 15 young unemployed girls from poverty ridden families completed the training. This centre was part of the women empowerment programme VTEDS as run by the Human Aid Society in collaboration with KDF (UK) since 2018 and this project helped to give skill to 325 women who are currently earning to support their families.

On the concluding day at Khargam centre the trainees were all praise for Human Aid Society Kashmir & Kashmir Development Foundation UK. They talked about their learning experience especially the self-confidence that they gained by means of this training. Secretary HAS thanked the trainer and praised the dedication and commitment of all the trainees.



Social Commitments:

Human aid society members & volunteers expressed their grief and sorrow over the sudden death of Mr Farooq Ah Mir R/o Kawacheck Kreeri (presently resided at Hamdania Colony Bemina Srinagar). The deseaced was the brother-in-law of Ex Chairman J&K Yateem Foundation Mohammad Rafiq Lone and cousin brother-in-law of Chairman Human Aid society Kashmir Bashir Ahmad Mir who left this world on 24th march evening at SKIMS hospital Srinagar and his last rites were offered on 25th march at kawacheck kreeri where in maximum members and volunteers of Human Aid Society participated and expressed their heartfelt sympathy with their chairman and also prayed for the departure soul.

KASHMIR WORKING NGOS, EXPOUSURE TRIP UNDER THE BANNER OF JKINC

A group of J&K Social organisations interacted with National & International NGOs at Delhi. An initiative of reaching out to various national and international NGOs, and to invite their attention towards the problems faced by these organisations at different occasions a group of social organisations from Jammu and Kashmir under the banner of JKACN in collaboration with IACN had a Four days tour of national capital Delhi from 26 February 2024. The organisation associated with JKACN (Jammu Kashmir alternative care network) where Human Aid Society, J&K Yateem Foundation, Islamic Relief and Research Trust, J&K Yateem Trust, Humanity the ultimate faith, Mother Help age and Human Welfare Voluntary organisation were a part of this initiative coordinated by JKACN.



On 27 February 2024, the team visited the office of Udyan Care NGO working with children for alternative care. Their various presentation regarding care leavers and significance of deinstitutionalisation in alternative care was really inspiring. CEO Udyan Mrs. Kiran Modi gave an insight of the organisation. It was followed by a visit to Udyan care home for girls which was quiet encouraging.

On 28 February 2024 the team was honoured to visit the headquarters of UNICEF where various presentations helped to understand the essence of after care. IACN (Indian alternative care network) in collaboration with UNICEF are doing a tremendous work in the field of alternative care. This session was attended by some international experts working for UNICEF in this field. Prominent organisations like Miracle Foundation and Butterfly also attended the session and followed by a visit

to Miracle Foundation office where the team was apprised of various initiatives and challenges in the field of alternative care and their focus is on deinstitutionalisation. It was followed by a field trip to witness the efforts of Miracle Foundation to help the poor street children by way of providing them education and training.

On the 29 February the team visited Jangpura where a National level NGO Butterfly Foundation had been working with children of Poor Muslim community having no shelter at all. The Foundation gives Education and provides family strengthening support to 700 children in various states of India. Their method of providing the economic support to such families was phenomenal. record keeping was excellent.



After attending all these sessions, the amalgam namely JKACN also highlighted the work done on this subject in Jammu and Kashmir where challenges are more different and difficult. All the organisations praised the level of social work being done by the JKACN in the difficult circumstances.

JKACN requested **UNICEF, IACN** and other organisations to visit Jammu and Kashmir and help JKACN to pursue their aim of reaching to every deserving Child. It was also requested to help the amalgam in family strengthening under the guidance of UNICEF. JKACN on the conclusion of this tour vowed to work together relentlessly for the benefit of society.

