

# Our 14 Millionth Patient



Uzma

Uzma, a student of Grade-I, lives with her parents in a remote village of Balochistan. Her father works in a Government department and earns Rs.6,000/- (£ 48) per month. He is the sole bread winner and remains under financial strain/debt all the time as he has to support his wife and eight school going children.

As luck would have it Uzma developed a pain in her right eye. She complained to her parents who tried some local remedies to manage her pain and suffering but to no effect and her vision started to diminish gradually. Her teachers also noticed her poor vision as Uzma, otherwise an intelligent & enthusiastic student could not see the black-board clearly. Her father was apprised of her condition and advised to get the child treated appropriately. Her parents took her to an Ophthalmologist who diagnosed cataract in both eyes and asked for Rs.10,000/- (£ 80) for surgery of each eye, an amount far beyond their capacity. As a consequence of her diminished vision the child had to drop out of school.

Her parents' dreams about the future of Uzma were shattered. They felt miserable and helpless. Uzma's father discussed the matter with one of his friends, who informed him about LRBT, where all services are provided *absolutely free of cost*.

He immediately took his daughter to LRBT's free eye unit at Sibi (Balochistan). After examination, cataract in both eyes was confirmed. Since facilities for children's surgery under General Anaesthesia were not available at Sibi, she was referred to LRBT's Free Secondary Eye Hospital at Quetta for surgery.

Surgery of her right eye was performed absolutely **free of charge**. It was successful and she regained her vision. Surgery of her left eye will be performed in due course of time. Meanwhile she has returned to her school and resumed her studies. For her parents it was an answer to their heartfelt prayers. They are very grateful to LRBT's donors, and the team at Quetta hospital for saving their child from a lifetime of darkness and misery.

### **NEW CONSTRUCTION**

Construction work of LRBT's Free Secondary Eye Hospital Pasrur has been completed. This hospital funded by Mr. Zakaullah, has been opened for patients.



LRBT Free Secondary Eye Hospital at Pasrur

Construction of new hospitals at Arifwala (funded by Raja & Begum Aftab Saeed) and Mansehra is progressing steadily. These hospitals are expected to be operational by September and December 2008 respectively.

# EXPANSION AT KHANEWAL HOSPITAL

Work on expansion of Khanewal hospital started on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2008 and is expected to be completed by end November 2008. The expansion includes a larger waiting area, two screening rooms, a larger operation theatre and a sterilisation room. This phase is being funded by Shell Pakistan and Dr. Fawad Zafar.

# EXPANSION AT TANDO BAGO HOSPITAL

Work on expansion of Tando Bago hospital started on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2008 and is expected to be completed by March 2009. The expansion includes a larger operation theatre, wards, waiting area with screening, refraction rooms and additional residential accommodation for doctors. An anonymous donor has committed \$ 200,000 for the expansion.

# KORANGI HOSPITAL OPD COMPLEX

Ms. Bhaimia and family have very kindly committed **Rs. 17.5 Million** for the construction of a separate OPD wing on the adjacent vacant plot at Korangi hospital. The process of tendering and contracting will start after approval from Karachi Building Control Authority (KBCA).

# DONATIONS OF CORNEAS

Lions Club International District 305 (S.I) has so far donated 70 corneas.

Eye Bank, Toronto, Canada have so far donated 105 corneas courtesy Syed Muslim Hasany.

We are grateful to Lions Club and Mr. Hasany.

# MICRO INCISION VITRECTOMY SURGERY (MIVS)

Dr. Fawad Rizvi, Chief Consultant Ophthalmologist Korangi Hospital successfully carried out the first 23 Gauge (No Stitch Vitrectomy) MIVS on a 55 year old lady with Diabetic Vitreous Haemorrhage.



Patient being examined post surgery

### FREE EYE SCREENING CAMPS

LRBT teams conducted free eye screening camps as under:-

- 1- Zara Mena (Nowshera)
- 2- Bagh Nari (Quetta)
- 3- HawksBay Camp (Karachi)
- 4- Toba Tek Singh
- 5- National Rural Support Programme (NRSP) Free Medical Camp

A total of 1449 Patients were examined, out of which 548 were medicated, 123 refracted and 361 referred to our hospitals for detailed examination and/or surgery.

# EYE SCREENING AT DESIGNATED CENTERS OF SHELL PAKISTAN

LRBT teams carried out eye screening of Shell Pakistan contractors' & suppliers' employees, fence line communities at Faisalabad, Taru Jabba, Nawabshah Airport, Shershah Depot, Sukkur Airport & Korangi centers up to March 2008. So far 6 eye screening camps have been held. A total of 770 patients have been screened, out of which 542 have been medicated, 185 refracted and 51 referred to our hospitals for detailed examination/surgery.

# STANDARD CHARTERED BANK DONATES RS. 18 MILLION TO LRBT

Mr. Gavin Laws, Head of Governance Africa, Middle East, Pakistan, UK and the Americas, of Standard Chartered Bank presented a cheque to Mr. Saquib Hameed CEO of LRBT at Korangi (Karachi) Hospital on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2008. Speaking on the occasion Mr. Laws said that the Bank will donate **Rs.18 million** to LRBT over the next 3 years.



Mr. Gavin Laws Presenting a cheque to Mr Saquib Hameed

We are indeed thankful to the Standard Chartered Bank for this generosity & their continuous support

### **UNILEVER PAKISTAN**

Unilever Pakistan have been supporting our Khanewal Hospital since 2006. They have increased their grant for the operating expenses from **Rs.1.62 Million** to **Rs. 1.9 Million**.

We are indeed thankful to the Unilever Pakistan for their continuous support.

### **DUPONT PAKISTAN**

Dupont Pakistan who has been a consistent donor since 1996 donated Rs. 1.2 Million in January 2008.

We are indeed thankful to Dupont Pakistan for their continued support.

# FUNDING SHAHPUR HOSPITAL

We are pleased to report that Mian Usman Peracha has committed to donate Rs.0.5 Million per month towards running expenses of our hospital with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2008 for which we are most grateful.

# FUNDING CHILDREN WARD AT KORANGI HOSPITAL

Mrs. Humera Aleem donated Rs 1 million for the children's ward at Korangi Hospital.

### WORKSHOPS / CONFERENCES

KAROPHTH 2008 Ophthalmic conference was held at Karachi on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2008. Five scientific papers were presented by Doctors from our Korangi Hospital. Dr Fawad Rizvi and Dr Munira Shakir conducted the session of instructional courses on Retina and Refractive Surgery respectively.

Monthly clinical meeting of Ophthalmologists Society of Pakistan (OSP) was held at LRBT hospital Lahore on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2008. Dr. Z. A. Qazi, Chief Consultant LRBT hospital Lahore has been elected as the General Secretary of OSP Lahore Branch for 2008-09.

30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of OSP & 4<sup>th</sup> Khyber Eye Symposium was held at Peshawar from 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> March 2008. Dr. Z. A. Qazi performed live surgery.

### **EXAMINATIONS**

Our doctors have passed the following examinations:

# Intermediate Module

- a. Dr. Shuaib Anwar
- b. Dr. Fawad Ur Rahman
- c. Dr. Talat Mahmood
- d. Dr. Ahmad Zeeshan

#### Optics & Refraction Module

- a. Dr. Saadia Faheem
- b. Dr. Uzma Haseeb
- c. Dr. Saifullah Tareen
- d. Dr. Ashoke Kumar (Jr)

### DOMS

- a. Dr. A Sattar Memon
- b. Dr. Yaqub Shahani

### RECOGNITION

Khwaja Zafar Hassan, Chairman LRBT, has been invited by President Clinton to attend the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) meeting in Hong Kong in May this year.

"Participation in this meeting is by invitation only and is limited to heads of states, CEOs, academics, NGO leaders, philanthropists and other prominent individuals".

This invitation is an acknowledgement of LRBT's work in the area of preventing curable blindness in Pakistan.

### **OBITUARY**

We announce with profound sorrow and grief the sad demise of:

Mr. Irtiza Hussain who remained a Trustee for 17 years died on  $10^{th}$  January 2008. His advice and counsel will be sorely missed.

Mrs. Edna Padmore who was a Trustee of the Graham Layton Trust - UK, died on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2008. She was passionately committed to the cause of LRBT & its mission of ameliorating the suffering caused by blindness & impaired vision in Pakistan. Her drive & enthusiasm will be sorely missed .

May God rest their souls in peace.

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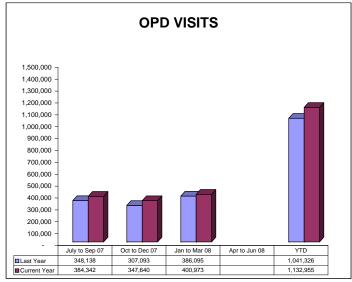
- Rs. 1,500 Will pay for the cost of a cataract surgery with Intra Ocular Lens implant
- Rs. 20,000 Will pay for the cost of a vitreo retinal surgery.

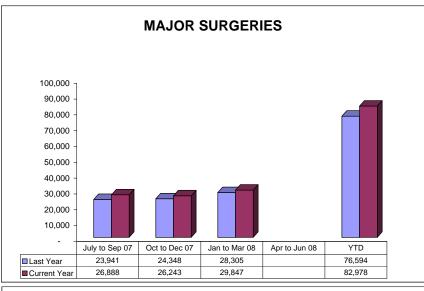
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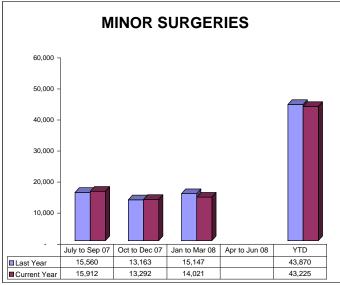
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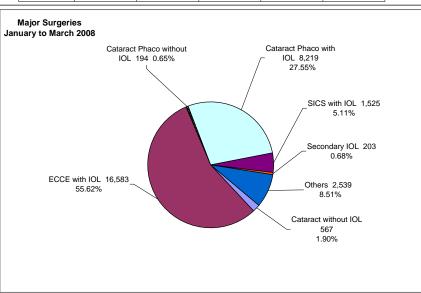
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# **PERFORMANCE DATA**









### **CUMULATIVE SUMMARY SINCE INCEPTION TO 31st March 2008**

Hospital	KORANGI	LAHORE	TANDO ADAM	TANDO BAGO	GAMBAT	LAR	AKORA KHATTAK	KALA KALAY	QUETTA	Shahpur Saddar	MANDRA	MANSEHRA	KHANEWAL	Pasrur	SIBI	KHEWRA (ICI)	GAWADAR (MALC)		ENT Surgeries	TOTAL
Commencement Date	26 Oct 1986	14 May 1987	1 Feb 1987	15 Nov 1985	20 Mar 1988	15 Feb 1999	20 Oct 1990	25 May 1993	23 Oct 2000	5 Nov 2004	15 Mar 2005	8 Nov 2005	2 Jan 2006	17-Mar-08	1 Jul 2003	May 1991	15 Nov 1985	15 Nov 1985	15 Nov 1987	
Total OPD Patients	3,014,884	3,399,526	898,576	1,112,940	825,792	519,346	864,402	693,710	520,399	309,335	177,164	109,144	110,291	386	59,199	106,961	24,116	6,438	-	12,752,609
Total Surgeries	391,309	276,605	122,685	99,610	128,631	80,430	104,826	118,571	44,015	45,962	28,060	12,062	12,231	-	4,100	10,256	2,722	636	251	1,482,962
Total	3,406,193	3,676,131	1,021,261	1,212,550	954,423	599,776	969,228	812,281	564,414	355,297	205,224	121,206	122,522	386	63,299	117,217	26,838	7,074	251	14,235,571

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