Thank you for making a difference 33 Years in Service and Counting





# 2014 in Review

#### Message from the Executive Director



Assalamu Alaikum,

IMRC has dedicated itself for 33 years towards improving the lives of minorities and Muslims in India with education, food, shelter, clothing, legal support and other services. Today there are 217 million Muslims in India; 180 Million of them live below the poverty line of \$1.25 per day.

Alhamdulillah with your help and support, this year we were able to accomplish the following: treated 7,000 patients in just three weeks through our 5th India Health Initiative Program; provided 1.6 million meals in grains in Ramadan; performed 4,662 Qurbanis across India; completed 10 new REED locations and initiated our 1000 Orphan Project. Inshallah our Girls Junior College and College of Education will open in Fall 2015.

#### **Our Mission**

Help India's Muslims & minorities achieve security, freedom and equality - Their rights as citizens of India.

December 2014

NEW! COLLEGE OF EDUCATION KASHMIR FLOODS UPDATE IMRC WINTER DRIVE 2015 INDIA HEALTH INITIATIVE 1000 ORPHAN PROJECT

Unfortunately, flood catastrophes have become more frequent across India. Storm water drains are either clogged, full of garbage and sewage, or just do not exist leaving many remote and urban areas prone to further problems. Recently floods in Kashmir, Assam and Andhra alone have left over 6 million homeless, displaced and stranded without food and water. The casualties in Kashmir are over 400 dead and 75% of Kashmir submerged—making this one of Kashmir's worst floods in decades. Within 48 hours of the Kashmir floods, IMRC sent \$100,000 immediately. We try to respond within 24-48 hours with relief. IMRC continues to provide relief packages with food, water and medicine, which may take months and even an entire year to complete. Alhamdulillah with your support, we have collected nearly \$150,000 for the victims, but much more is needed.

With winter now here, IMRC needs your help and support to make this winter bearable for the flood victims. We're collecting funds for warm clothes, blankets, emergency kits and food.

I am aware that you're approached by many organizations for causes ranging big to small, and cannot think of a single cause more important than the life and education of a needy child. IMRC is a cost efficient organization and makes sure that 100% of your donation is used to benefit the needy. Most of our work is done through dedicated volunteers in the US and India and with support from generous donors like you. You can also give a gift that keeps on giving by donating today towards our Endowment Fund.

Jazak Allahu Khair for helping make this another successful year for IMRC. Please give today for your Zakat and Sadaqa and remember to keep the less fortunate in your prayers. May Allah reward you for your generosity.

Manzoor Ghori Executive Director

### PROGRAM: EMERGENCY RELIEF

### **KASHMIR FLOODS**

On September 7th, 2014 Kashmir was hit with one of the worst floods in decades; a tragedy that left 75% of Kashmir submerged. The initial estimate was a few thousand; however, soon after officials surveyed the site and began relief work, the numbers grew to over 5 million. Within minutes even wealthy families became refugees overnight. Hospitals became non-functional, city centers and homes worth millions were either washed away or flooded. With the countless still missing, hundreds dead, and thousands stranded, it will take nearly a year to fully provide the initial relief alone.

#### **INTENSITY OF THE FLOODS**

An estimated over 200,000 were lucky to escape to refugee camps; those too now overflowing with lack of proper supplies. However, over 5 million victims were displaced, over 2,000 villages were destroyed and over 400 dead from this tragic disaster. In October, floods also struck in Andhra raising the total toll to over 6 million victims. As water levels dwindle, dead bodies and animal carcasses are found; increasing the risk of wide spread disease and epidemic. More refugees were discovered in areas such as Baramilla and Sopore as rivers continue to change their paths leaving many towns and villages without any access.



A Kashmiri boy receives his relief package. October 2014

#### WHAT IMRC HAS DONE

Within 48 hours of the floods, IMRC immediately sent \$100,000 to begin relief work. IMRC's Project Manager along with a group of volunteers, including physicians, visited the site to provide assistance and assess the damage of the floods. IMRC's team worked around the clock putting their own lives at risk to help other victims. A medical camp was set up to provide immunization shots, wound care, blankets, hygiene kits and food.

IMRC field teams are planning for near-term and long-term support for the victims and to those who need assistance in getting back on their own feet. Your support is still needed. With winter now here, it's imperative we sent as many emergency relief packages as possible! Please support the Winter Drive to help us continue relief efforts.

### **ANDHRA FLOODS**

On the 12th of October 2014, Tropical Cyclone Hudhud made landfall on India's coast of Andhra Pradesh, near the city of Visakhapatnam, as a category 3 storm. 29 people have been killed and as many as 3,230 villages in 16 districts of Andhra Pradesh were badly affected due to the torrential rains and 6,600 houses damaged. Access to many affected villages is still difficult. We have begun our relief efforts in the region, but still need your help to continue! Please send your support today.



### **MUZAFFARNAGAR UPDATE**



Children at a temporary refugee camp during winter.

One year later, the riot victims of Muzaffarnagar are still in process of trying to move on and rebuild their lives to become self-sufficient again. Riots which broke out in August 2013 left 50,000 displaced and homeless, 113 dead and 250 villages affected. IMRC is continuing to provide relief, food and clothing for the victims. Our Emergency Relief program is what makes it possible to continue to provide victims with supplies and aid. As winter is here these victims will are in dire need of help. Please send your support as soon as possible!

# PROGRAM: EDUCATION

#### **JIT (JAHANGIRABAD INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY)**

#### NEW! COLLEGE OF EDUCATION - FALL 2015!

India has a shortage of 1.4 million trained teachers. IMRC's response to help fill the void with qualified educationists is to have a College of Education at the JIT Campus. Alhamdulillah, through your support we're going to begin the College of Education in Fall 2015. Education and teaching is one of the most in-demand fields for many female students. This college can accept up to 300 students. JIT is a competitive institution providing state-of-the-art resources and facilities, trained and experienced staff and faculty.

Our next project in line is to build a 3 story girls hostel. This hostel will provide a safe place for girl students to reside and study at the JIT campus. Thanks to your support, we have raised nearly half of the needed \$250K to begin. Please continue to support this project so we can provide for our girl students as soon as possible.

#### WAYS YOU CAN HELP

- \$600,000 is needed to build the hostel
- \$200,000 will build an entire floor
- \$3,000 provides one girl a permanent hostel room
- \$1,000 provides one girl's room and board for a full year
- \$500 covers tuition for one year at either institution



JIT Campus



JIT Main Gate Entrance

### PROGRAM: EDUCATION

### **CHALLENGER** (CHALLENGER INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL)

NEW! GIRLS JR. COLLEGE - FALL 2015!

Challenger International School (CIS) is a unique institution which integrates orphans with other children who have parents and families under one roof for the purpose of teaching top quality education with high standards. It's common to see orphanages in India overcrowded, without proper school supplies and a curriculum. This institution breaks the stereotype that orphans should be treated and educated separately. Each year, this school introduces new programs such as the Science Fair, off-site field trips, performances, picnics, visiting professors teaching workshops and much more to remain a competitive institution. Thanks to your support these children can compete with any child not only nationally but internationally, too.

Enrollment has increased from 80 students in 2010 to now 551 in 2014. That's an over 650% increase! Thank you for making this school a place of quality learning and opportunity for all.



Nursery school children show their projects created in class.

# PROGRAM: **HEALTHCARE**

### **INDO-US HOSPITAL**

Alhamdulillah we inaugurated the Indo-US Hospital in January 2012. Through your support we're able to address the needs of the sick who cannot afford healthcare and treatment related to diabetes.

In 2014, the Indo-US Hospital: Treated 8,424 patients Screened 19,197 for eyes diseases Performed 2,500 dialysis sessions Operated 465 cataract surgeries with lens implants Performed 64 surgeries (Orthopaedic, neuro & general)

A total of 25,424 patients have been seen and/or treated since the hospital's opening, alhamdulillah thanks to you!

Through your help and support, we will be able to expand our services and treatment and healthcare to growing communities and rural areas at an affordable cost. It is a blessing to see such services offered to the public who are in need of medical attention. Educational courses are also offered to help educate the public on their healthcare which can make an impact on their daily lifestyle and habits.



Doctors stop by to follow up with a patient at the Indo-US Hospital.



Patient waiting area.

# PROGRAM: HEALTHCARE

### INDIA HEALTH INITIATIVE

2014 marked IMRC's 5th India Health Initiative Program. During the three week program in India, we conducted ten medical camps across Hyderabad, Lucknow and Rajasthan in which over 7,000 patients were treated!

In many cases, those living in rural and slum areas do not have access to treatment and/or cannot afford to be seen by a doctor. Fifteen volunteer medical professionals ranging from surgeons, ophthalmologists to ER specialists and geriatrics teamed up with local Indian medical professionals to help treat the sick in rural and remote locations. Each year we rely and encourage others in the medical field to volunteer their time and expertise for the needy. We hope you can join our next program coming up in January 2015. Please contact us for more details.



Many travel from afar to wait in line for hours just to be seen.

CALLING ALL MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS!

Join IMRC for it's next IHI Program. January 24th - February 13th, 2015!

# SEASONAL PROJECT: RAMADAN

### **FEEDING PROGRAM**

**1.6 MILLION MEALS IN GRAINS!** 

This past Ramadan you helped us provide 1.6 million meals in grains to the needy. Each year our annual Ramadan Feeding Program provides grains and cooked meals for the poor throughout India. Our goal each year is to reach out to more rural and remote villages to provide families, widows, children and the needy with warm cooked meals and/or grain packages for Ramadan.

# \$30,000 worth of fitra was sent benefiting over 12,000 families!

With each distribution to a family, child or elderly person, we discover other areas of need too. Thanks to you, we have been able to continue this program for 33 years. Jazak Allahu Khair for giving the less fortunate families, communities and villages a meal to look forward to during this blessed month.



A woman receives her Fitra package.

# SEASONAL PROJECT: QURBANI

### **MEAT DISTRIBUTION**

4,662 QURBANI PERFORMED! OVER 550,000 BENEFICIARIES!

With the average monthly salary in rural India being Rs.3000 (\$50) and about 2 lbs of meat costing \$6, it's not common for families to have meals with meat. In fact, for many Eid-ul Adha is the only time families even have a meal with meat. Many families anticipate organizations such as IMRC to distribute meat to them; thus they look forward to our visit on Eid.

Alhamdulillah, our Qurbani program was a success thanks to your generosity and continuous support.

# We performed 4,662 qurbanis on time bringing joy to more than 550,000 beneficiaries!

You helped make Eid-ul Adha exciting for 110, 000 families. Jazakh Allah khair! We look forward in your support for next year's program too. We appreciate you choosing to perform your Qurbani through IMRC.



A village show their meat packages received on the day of Eid.

# ONGOING PROJECT: RURAL DEVELOPMENT

# **PROJECT REED** (RURAL EDUCATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT)

#### **NEXT LOCATIONS MEWAT, RAJASTHAN!**

Project REED has come a long way since it's launch in 2009. Initially we began this project with the purpose to bring an Islamic environment and source of learning for communities in rural areas that didn't have anything. Alhamdulillah, we've been able to construct 72 schools/masajid in the coastal areas of Andhra Pradesh along with educational programs; building an average of 1 new location per month.

The impact of this program has been amazing. Communities are now learning about Islam and teaching the next generation. There are regular prayers and halagas for men and women. During Ramadan many villages expressed they never had a place to congregate or even celebrate Eid before. This year they were able to have community iftars and celebrate together.

It's costs approximately \$20,000 to construct a new masjid/ school. At each location, we provide daily activities and services based on the needs of the community. Our goal is to continue to expand to nearby villages and build one masjid/school per month. Thank you for your continued support and making this project a success.



Children get ready for breaking fast during Ramadan. They sit outside their new local masjid/school and look forward to their sponsored iftar.

# NGOING PROJECT: 1000 ORPHAN PROJECT

The Prophet Muhammad (S) said, "I will be like this in paradise with the person who takes care of an orphan". The Prophet (S) raised his forefinger and middle finger by way of illustration. *{Al-Bukhari}* 

Our 1000 Orphan Project is an extension of our previous Orphan Support Program. The monthly sponsorship provides an orphan with food, clothing, shelter and access to education. This program is unique because it provides a proper education with uniforms, school supplies and support to succeed.

Through the revamped program, we intend to track the progress of the orphans until they are placed well and independent, insha'Allah. If their modest schools and hostels need improvement, we plan to assist them so they have better teachers, materials, facilities, and resources to become successful.

It's important to not only supply the bare minimum, but to provide extra to help a child out of poverty and so the cycle is not repeated.

We are looking for your support and hope you can consider changing an orphan's life for the better, inshallah!



\$50 PER MONTH. PER CHILD.

# **ENDOWMENT** FUND

#### GIVE A GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING FOREVER

The impact of your investment multiplies as your wealth is reinvested yearly and the income supports the poor and needy. Consider giving towards our Endowment Fund to keep these IMRC Projects running.

#### SCHOLARSHIP FUND

For every \$25,000 invested with the Scholarship Fund, we expect to generate \$2,000 income on an annual basis. This is sufficient to provide two university scholarships for an MBA or Engineering student.

#### **EDUCATION FUND**

#### (BACHELOR'S OF EDUCATION OR HAFIZ PROGRAM)

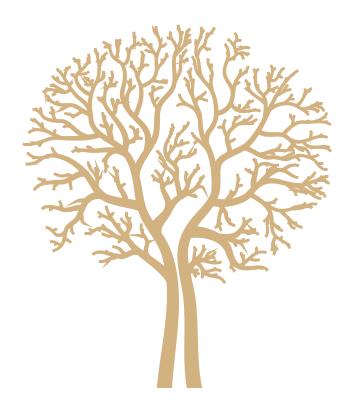
For every \$12,500 invested towards education, we expect to generate \$1,000 income on an annual basis. This can support a student's University tuition for one year.

#### **FEEDING PROGRAM**

For a one time donation of \$6000 invested towards the feeding Program you can feed 500 people every Ramadan annually.

#### WATER WELL

For \$20,000 towards the Water Well program you can build one water well on an annual basis.



## **CHARITABLE** GIVING

#### **GROW YOUR WEALTH & PROVIDE SADAQA JARIYAH**

This is the best time of the year to make your gift of stock. If you have appreciated stock in your portfolio you may want to make a gift of stock to receive a charitable donation and avoid capital gains tax. There is also the option to use your mandatory IRA distribution as a source of the tax deductible support.

One of the simplest ways to make a significant donation is to name IMRC as the beneficiary of your IRA. By doing this, you avoid the double taxation that an IRA is hit with upon the passing of the owner. You receive benefit of the funds for your entire life, while enabling you to support IMRC for years after your passing rather than sending your hard-earned dollars to the IRS.

Likewise, creating various trust structures can help you avoid estate taxes, while simultaneously helping IMRC fund its charitable projects in India for years to come.

#### **IMRC IN YOUR WILL**

By including IMRC in your Will, you help IMRC continue its efforts in opening doors of opportunity for future generations to India's poor and needy. By naming IMRC in your Will with a specific dollar amount or percentage of the appreciated assets, you can take control of the legacy you leave behind. Our programs can sustain due to generous donors like you.

#### **MATCHING GIFT**

Many employers encourage contributing to qualifying charitable organizations and they'll match the contributions made. Several of our programs reach out to communities of need and do not deny anyone regardless of faith, gender, or caste. For a certified letter for your employer, please contact our office.



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# **KASHMIR, ASSAM & ANDHRA WINTER APPEAL**

### Provide Warmth this Winter



# **FLOODS LEAVE OVER 6 MILLION**

### **DISPLACED • STRANDED • WITHOUT FOOD & WATER**

**Temperatures near freezing!** 

**OVER 400 DEAD • OUTBREAK OF DISEASE AT RISK** 

# GOAL 100,000 PACKAGES !

**\$10** 

\$25



WARM CLOTHES & BLANKET



EMERGENCY KIT WITH MEDICINE



\$15

FOOD GRAINS & NONPERISHABLE GOODS