

# MR. PERVAIZ LODHIE AND M/S SHAAN TECHNOLOGIES (PVT) LTD JOINT EFFORT TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE RELIEF TO FLOOD AFFECTEES IN RURAL SINDH. PAKISTAN



Visit & relief report of Flood Affected People of Hyderabad & Sukkur in Rural Sindh. Pakistan

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## Flood Summary & Overview

The deadliest weather related disaster of 2010 is continuing to unfold in Pakistan since July 29, 2010, Initial reports disclosed that more than 2 million people have been badly affected in result of flood in riverine areas of the six districts of upper Sindh where heavy monsoon rains have triggered flooding that has left over 1,500 people dead. The death toll may reach in the thousands as flooding has spread throughout the country and countless are missing due to flash floods and landslides.

Millions of homes in thousands of villages and towns have been destroyed. According to reports, over 20 Million people have been affected by this disaster. Infrastructure such as dams, power stations, roads, bridges, schools, agriculture wells, and drinking water hand pumps have been severely damaged or destroyed and IDP's have reached and camped in open grounds and/or banks of main roads, i.e. Indus Highway and super Highway. All these IDPs are being supported by district government and NGOs. According to report about 6,000 families are settled in various schools and empty quarters of public colonies.





#### Flood Situation of Hyderabad & Sukkur

The floodwater has developed a breach at RBOD drain in Hyderabad. Several villages have been inundated in Latifabad and Wahdat Colony. Some areas of Hyderabad and Jamshoro have been flooded as water pressure has increased in adjoining areas of Kotri city.

As many as 20 villages in Latifabad including Haji Khan Laghari, Budhal Laghari, Fazal Khan Laghari, Daree Mian, Naij Noha Mian and Dhanoo Bheel are submerged by the floodwater which was recorded at 760,511 cusecs downstream Kotri.

Also inundated are two graveyards, one of which belonged to a Hindu community, along the embankments of Hussainabad and Latifabad in Hyderabad, besides a 45 acre agricultural land from where supplies of vegetables were made to the Pakistan Army.





Over 15,000 people inhabited those villages which have now been submerged by the mighty Indus River, while the displaced people have started to move toward the relief camps. Another 25 villages have been submerged after a new flood tide made its way into Ganda Kha locality of Jaffarabad.

The high flood wave passing through Kotri Barrage has inundated low-lying areas in Hyderabad, Thatta and Tando Muhammad Khan districts. Over one lac people have moved out of Katcha area of Thatta due to floods. Of them 60,000 are being provided shelter in relief camps while others are lying under open sky at the mercy of nature. Many philanthropists from Karachi are bringing in cooked and dry food for the flood affective.

# Flood Relief Services by Mr. Pervaiz Lodhie & Shaan Technologies (PVT) LTD

Mr. Pervaiz Lodhie, President Shaan Technologies (PVT) LTD reveals that IDP's and affected people are in acute need of food, potable water, medical aid etc. An immediate need was initiated to provide immediate and basic relief work to meet needs of flood affectees, Work was started through Shaan Technologies, other NGO's and government flood relief departments.



In the first phase dry food was supplied to displaced people at Sukkur through Thar Rural Development Programe (TRDP) including dry ration for 300 families sufficient enough for two weeks.

The program was extended through provision of medicines to prevent Cholera, Skin allergy and Eye infection through government and NGO's flood relief supply collection camps in Karachi.







On Aug 29, 2010 Officials of Shaan Technologies (PVT) Ltd embarked again along the way to personally inspect the current condition of temporarily sheltered IDP's. Immediate dry ration was carried together to Hyderabad and Kotri which was slowly becoming inundated with flood water as the water levels had considerably increased since our first relief mission a week earlier. We did distributed water, milk, biscuits, bread, cooking oil, rice etc among them. Due to security reasons we did not went down to meet and discuss since every where We stopped and started distributing goods, within seconds we were surrounded by ten's of them. Above are few pictures of distribution along the highway.

### **Photo Gallery**





## **Conclusion & Suggestions:**

Since floods are about to recede, Rehabilitation of the displaced families is mostly needed. Local Media is commenting that displaced persons do not want to return to their hometowns with fear of unwanted life waiting for them. We believe in provision of moderate mode of rehabilitation that will attract the displaced persons back to their homes.

For that purpose Shaan Technologies (PVT) LTD have following suggestions to support flood affected families in a way to help them stand on their feet and earn their income.

- Provide handicraft stuff & materials to the affectees as they mostly are handicraft specialist.
- Provide sewing machine to women s so they can earn & generate income through it instead of relying on donated food in the relief camps.
- Provide tools & other equipments to the craftsman.
- To utilize the talents of the affected peoples of various interests and to make them there create works particularly and effectively useful for them and for the community at large.