



THE CAMP NEEDS:

- **Beddings;**
Mattresses, Bed sheets, Pillows.
- **Medicines;** Bath Soaps, Insecticides, Sanitary Napkins.
- **Food Commodities;** Dry Milk, Cooking Oil, Flour, Rice, Pulses, Spices.
- **Clothes;** Males Females and Children.

PRAYER REQUEST

For the Displaced Families: that they have the strength to bear this challenge.

For the Diocesan Senior Management, Relief staff and the Volunteers to effectively serve these people.

For all our Friends as they strive with the Church to care for the displaced persons of Swat and FATA area.

For the Military operation in the Province, that Peace may prevail and the people could return to their homes.

Situation at the Diocesan Relief Camp, Mardan.

Management Committee at the Diocesan Relief Camp, Mardan.

To ensure that the residing IDPs are cared well, the Diocesan Development and Relief has set up a small administrative committee at its Relief Camp, Mardan. The administrative committee comprises of a local Diocesan Pastor, Rev. Yousaf Patras, two (02) volunteers from the Mardan congregation, Jamshed Masih and Asif Sadiq, four (04) members from the IDPs, Patras, Shamoun, Jamil and Younis, two (02) members from the Diocesan Development and Relief, Rabnawaz and Ashar Dean. The committee meets

everyday to discuss matters related with the IDPs. They are responsible for the registration of the arriving IDPs, Camp kitchen, well being of the IDPs. And orderly running of the Relief Camp.

We are grateful to God that the IDPs have accepted CVTC as their home, living as a joint family and managing daily affairs with the Diocesan staff.



Members of the Committee during their daily meeting.

The Body of Christ:

Diocese of Peshawar is also thankful to its local friends, partners, and well wishers for their timely support to help the Displaced Christian Families of St. Georges Church, Malakand and St. Lukes Church Swat.



Above: Ms. Bimla Yousaf, Senior Coordinator, of Development and Relief sharing gifts from various the local Diocesan friends with the IDPs at the Diocesan Relief Camp, Mardan.

Acknowledgement to the Diocesan Partners

SOCIETY IN AID, DENMARK

Society in Aid, Denmark is the first Diocesan Partner who immediately responded to help the Internally Displaced Christian families of Malakand, and Swat valley. These Christian families are distressed mentally, physically, and economically by the ongoing military

operation against the Talibans in Malakand and Swat, followed by curfew. These affected areas are under the Pastoral care of the Diocese of Peshawar. Society in Aid is supporting the Diocese to provide beddings and food to these homeless people.

Diocese of Peshawar is thankful to the Society in Aid, Denmark for their financial

assistance and spiritual support.



An IDP Family at the Relief Camp



Left: The IDP Women at the Diocesan Camp Mardan assisting in preparing food for all the residing families.

Picture Gallery



Right: The IDP Females while chatting in their Hall.

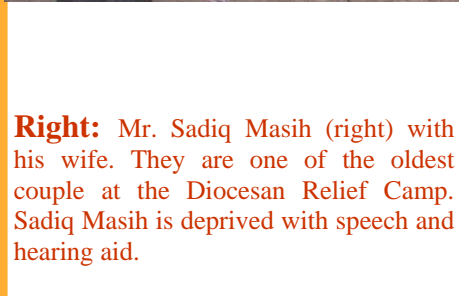


Left: The IDP Children playing at the Diocesan Relief Camp, Mardan.

Other Needs of the Relief Camp:

Sports equipment for the boys and girls.

Books, Notebooks and stationary for the boys and girls to read and write.



Right: Mr. Sadiq Masih (right) with his wife. They are one of the oldest couple at the Diocesan Relief Camp. Sadiq Masih is deprived with speech and hearing aid.



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Diocese of Peshawar is one of the eight (08) dioceses that make up the Church of Pakistan. Its Pastoral care area covers the entire **North West Frontier Province** of Pakistan. The Province is home to Seventeen million conservative Muslims of which One hundred thousand are **Christians**.

The Christians are spread in the entire Province. Most Christians of the Province remain unskilled, poorly educated, low social status and economically poorest of the poor. Christian community in Pakistan is regarded as the “second class citizens.” The Diocese is serving the people of the Frontier Province through its **educational, health and community development programs**. Diocese of Peshawar is being privileged to provide Relief and Rehabilitation to the October 8, 2005 earthquake victims. Once again, the Church of Poor, Diocese of Peshawar, is challenged to cater the needs of the **Internally Displaced Persons** of the Frontier Province.



A Story from the Diocesan Relief Camp



Shiva, a former trainee of CVTC.

Shiva Masih is a resident of Malakand. In 2008, Shiva Masih was enrolled in a short course at Christian Vocational Training Center (CVTC) to learn the skill of Arc and Gas welding. Due to his hard work and friendly nature he was liked both by his instructors and colleagues. After completing his course, he returned to Malakand and got a job in the local market. The escalation of military operation against

the militant Talibans and occasional curfews forced him to leave his home along with his family for a safer place. He never thought of returning to CVTC and live here as an Internally Displaced Person.

However, Shiva is pleased that the Church enabled him to learn a professional skill and is also looking after him and his family at a time when they have no shelter, no food and no medical care.



Shiva with his parents and sister

