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Message by:

Professor. Dr. Tipu Sultan



It is a pleasure and honor to write these few lines for the Newsletter.

Burns Centre at Jubilee block Civil Hospital Karachi managed by Friends of Burns Centre (FOBC) is the only hope of burns patients of Sindh and Balochistan providing free state of art treatment by medical experts and a team of dedicated people.

It is the largest specialized burn health care centre in south of Pakistan having all facilities. Unfortunately accidental burn injury is quite common here, mostly in poor and low income population. A very high bed occupancy and a busy O.P.D. is witnessed all the time. Managing morbidity and mortality are big challenges for the treating clinicians at the Burns Centre. Immediate life saving managements and long term correction of deformities are the challenges along with ever increasing resource generation.

I salute the dedicated group of GOD fearing civil society, colleagues and friends who are managing FOBC so successfully.

I greatly appreciate this noblest of noble work for the ailing humanity. This centre needs support and help, (technical and financial) to serve life and remove misery from the lives of the patients.

I am proud of the great services done at FOBC.

Prof. Dr. Tipu Sultan

Chancellor - Malir University of Science and Technology

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The Prize Awarding Ceremony of the “Children’s Poster Contest” under the theme of “Prevention from Burn Injury” was held by Friends of Burns Centre in collaboration with ZVMG Rangoonwala Trust at ZVMG Rangoonwala Community Centre.

Friends of Burns Centre has got to know after the analysis of their all the cases that almost all the causes of burn injuries are mistakes due to “lack of knowledge”, “lack of information”, and “lack of proper education and training”. According to Friends of Burns Centre if information on “Burns” would have been given, many precious lives could have been saved. Therefore, Friends of Burns Centre has decided to launch the “Awareness Promotion Campaign on Prevention from Burn Injury”. The Children’s Poster Contest is the third event of the campaign aiming at promoting awareness through future leaders of Pakistan.

Totally 908 entries from 31 schools were received. All the entries were examined and fairly judged by the honourable judges Ms. Marjorie Husain and Ms. Riffat Alvi. Among all the entries 111 excellent posters were selected for the Exhibition.

Mr. Anwar Maqsood, (Goodwill Ambassador of Friends of Burns Centre) and Mr. Zahid Saeed, President, Friends of Burns Centre distributed prizes to the prize winners.



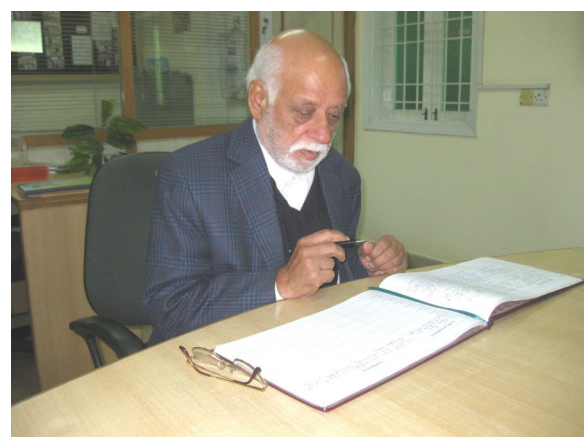
Staff News :

- Congratulations to Mohammad Azmat Shigeyuki Ataka (Adviser– Resource Department) on the wedding of his daughter.
- Congratulations to Dr. Ali Adnan (Plastic Surgeon) on the birth of his baby girl.
- Our heartfelt condolences go out with Rani (Female Dresser) on the death of her father.
- Congratulations to Ms. Hina Kamran (Staff Nurse) on the birth of her baby boy.



Our heartfelt condolences go out with the family of Ms. Zubaida Tariq. Her services towards the Burns Centre will always be remembered. She visited Centre to encourage the admitted burn victims and the dedicated staff. She also participated in other programs organized by Friends of Burns Centre to do her part in this cause. She was indeed a great supporter of the Friends of Burns Centre and she will be missed.

Celebrities' Visits and comments:



Sardar Yasin Malik, Chairman, Hilton Pharma:

This is my first visit to this centre. I am impressed with the performance and cleanliness. I pray for the success of the Burns Centre.

Staff Focus :



Name: Mr. Hassan

Age: 23

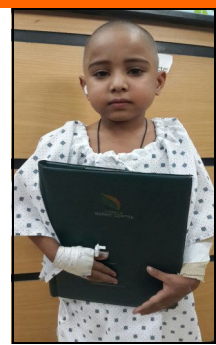
Designation: Ward Boy

Time Period: 1 year

I feel pleasure working in FOBC. It is just like my family. Management and all staff are really nice and cooperative. The motivational factor working here comes when I serve burns patients and help them come back to their normal life, the smile of little angels boost up my energy to serve them.

What I like most about FOBC is their aim of serving humanity, "Free treatment of people of my country". As my country is under developed majority of our burn victims cannot afford heavy burns medical expenses. FOBC is there for them to provide excellent services without any discrimination.

While performing my duty I have earned the prayers and blessings from the victims and their families. In order to save your life from burns I request you all to handle products carefully and follow safety instructions properly.



This patient named Maria, 7 year old girl resident of Larkana, was admitted in Burns Centre with 38% scald burn. She went into the kitchen where boiling water was placed and she poured it on herself which resulted in serious injuries. By the dedication of our staff and doctors she recovered. Her admitted period was 2.5 months. Finally she was discharged with complete wound healing. Friends of Burns Centre wishes her good journey ahead.

2nd Case:

Mahnoor, a 3 year old cute and brave girl was admitted in Burns Centre with 19% scald burn. She went into the kitchen at home where her brother was also present. She pulled the oven which was placed unbalanced. As a result the oven came down and handi that was cooking spilled over the back of Mahnoor where she got severely burned. She went through skin grafting to get the best result. Her admittance period was 1 month. Finally she was discharged with complete wound healing.



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