

INTRODUCTION

As we know, 5 million families are shelter-less in Pakistan today, among them is a vast number of school age children who are desolate.

It is therefore important to begin to reach out to them to provide help under these extremely trying circumstances to school age children.

1. What are the steps being taken for the pilot

- a. Provision of half scale emergency bamboo rooms for reading/recreation for displaced children. Heritage Foundation is embarking on a pilot of reading rooms for use in villages being served with Maa ka Dastarkhwan.
- b. Enabling children to make products which will help them learn to fend for themselves. They will be taught by artisans at Pono Karigar Satellites:
 - Matting for reading rooms and self/family use
 - Clay products for own use
 - Grow vegetables in bamboo containers
 - Making small bamboo products
 - Other products of daily use.

2. How will the reading rooms become available

- a. One reading room will be provided for 30 families each.
- b. Each family will nominate one child each for matting and roof making for their reading room.
- c. For their reading room, 15 children will learn to make matting for walls and 15 for roof.
- d. The families arrange to carry reading room structures in dismantled form.
- e. The children will erect them along with rope tying with help of adults.
- f. The children will place the matting on the walls and roof with help of their elders.

3. What is the Procedure for Adoption by Private Schools?

- a. Private schools will to adopt a displaced community
 - Pay the cost and delivery of the mini reading room to bamboo Karigar village.
 - Establish a phone link with children.
 - Arrange for delivery of picture books, colouring material, arts and crafts materials, photographs, charts activity plan to the adopted reading room and any other material that the feel that the displaced children need.
 - Arrange for delivery of equipment for sports such as ball games and nets etc.
 - Arrange for delivery of board games, especially strategic board games.
 - Arrange for learning aids and material such as movable alphabet sets, flash cards, sandpaper alphabets, building blocks and other educational toys.
- b. Heritage Foundation will arrange for a portal where connectivity will be provided for those to be adopted and schools wishing to adopt.

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