

# **ASHRAFUL AID**



INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATION

# FEEDBACK REPORT

Turkish / Syrian Border



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# **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

**Date**: August 7 - 10, 2023

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**Locations Visited**: Urfa, refugee camps, orphanages, blind schools, earthquake-affected areas, and other locations within the Turkish/Syrian border region.

### **Executive Summary**

This report details the visit to various Ashraful Aid projects on the Turkish/Syrian border, conducted from August 7 to August 10, 2023. The trip's purpose was to inspect and assess the efficiency, impact, and needs of the ongoing initiatives aimed at providing essential services to refugees and other vulnerable populations.



# **DETAILS OF VISITS:**

Monday 7th August 2023 - Urfa: Vocational Training and Food Assistance.

- Ashraful Aid Vocational Training Centre (VTC): Observed training programs that equip refugees with necessary vocational skills. These are vital for self-reliance and rebuilding lives.
- Assisting Refugee Families: Provided food to needy refugee families, ensuring they have the necessary sustenance to support their daily lives.

### **Tuesday 8th August 2023 - Livelihoods Project and Health Support.**

- Livelihoods Project with Refugee Families: Distributed livestock, aiding families in creating sustainable income sources through the production of cheese, milk, and resale opportunities. The animals will reproduce, further solidifying this income stream.
- Orphanage Visit: Spent quality time with orphan refugee children, understanding their daily lives and needs.
- Ashraful Aid Pharmacy: Visited the pharmacy where 120 patients receive free medication daily.
- Ashraful Aid Humanitarian Store: Observed the facilities where 5,000 refugees have access to free clothes, contributing to their dignity and wellbeing.
- **Blind School Visit**: Inspected the specialized school where the Quran is taught to visually impaired children, an essential spiritual and educational initiative.

# Wednesday 9th August 2023 - Bakery and Education Initiatives.

- Ashraful Aid Bakery: Visited the bakery where 30,000 bread is produced daily and distributed to refugees. Assisted with the handover of bread in a refugee camp housing 2,500 people.
- Ashraful Aid Education Projects: Observed the education projects, including a school where 200 children receive daily learning, essential for their personal and intellectual development.

# Thursday 10th August 2023 - Earthquake Relief in Killis, Türkiye.

- Food Vouchers for Earthquake Victims: Supported 680 families affected by the recent earthquake with food vouchers, aiding them in their time of crisis.
- **Medical Camp Assistance**: Supported affected families at a medical camp with food vouchers, an essential immediate response to their needs.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION:**

- Continue Support for Sustainable Livelihoods: The livestock initiative is promising and should be expanded to empower more families.
- · Enhance Medical Facilities: The current reach of Ashraful Aid Pharmacv should be expanded to support more patients with essential medications.
- Strengthen Educational Initiatives: More schools and specialized centers like the blind school should be developed to cater to the diverse needs of the refugee population.
- · Maintain Humanitarian Support: Continual support with food, clothing, and immediate disaster response must remain a priority.

The Ashraful Aid projects on the Turkish/Syrian Border demonstrate an inspiring commitment to humanitarian principles. The initiatives have successfully empowered, educated, and provided essential support to refugees and victims of natural disasters. Continued investment and attention to these projects will undoubtedly further uplift and restore dignity to those affected.











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