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# A Message from the President



Dear Supporters,

Assalamu Alaikum.

With the arrival of the new year, I extend my heartfelt greetings and sincere gratitude to each of you for your continued generosity to the Patients' Behbud Society (PBS) for AKUH. Your support forms the backbone of our efforts to provide care to those who need it most.

Over the past year, your Zakat and donations enabled PBS for AKUH to support more than 185,000+ patient visits and disburse PKR 1.367 billion to children and adults facing life-threatening conditions, including congenital heart disease, neurological illnesses, cancer, kidney disorders and more.

As stated in the Holy Quran:

**"Indeed, those who spend their wealth by night and day, secretly and publicly, will have them reward with their Lord. And no fear will be concerning them, nor will they grieve."**

—Surah Al-Baqarah (2:274)

As the blessed month of Ramadan approaches, a time of reflection, compassion, and selfless giving, I am confident that with your continued support, PBS for AKUH will carry forward its mission to serve the most deserving members of our society. Together, we remain committed to saving more lives and easing suffering in the year ahead.

I wish you and your loved ones a Happy New Year and a blessed month of Ramadan ahead, filled with blessings, peace, and joy.

Jazak Allah Khair

**Abdul Qadir Memon**

*President,*

The Patients' Behbud Society for AKUH

## Impact of Your Support in 2025 (Jan - Dec)



**185,000+**

patient visits were supported at the Aga Khan University Hospital



**PKR 1.367 billion**

has been disbursed in financial assistance to support Zakat mustahiq and deserving patients

# Impact of your Generosity in 2025

- ▶ Laboratory services received the largest support, enabling **159,694** patient visits and disbursing **PKR 322** million.
- ▶ **626** paediatric in-patient visits supported with **PKR 94.5** million disbursed for treatment of vulnerable children.
- ▶ **703** adult oncology in-patient visits supported, disbursing **PKR 73.5** million for critical cancer treatment.
- ▶ Paediatric oncology treatment provided to **383** children, disbursing **PKR 32.9** million.
- ▶ **286** orthopaedic and ENT surgeries supported with **PKR 153** million for essential surgical care and quality of life.
- ▶ **181** expectant mothers supported, disbursing **PKR 24.4** million for childbirth and maternal health.
- ▶ **300** internal medicine in-patient visits supported with **PKR 81.5** million for complex lifesaving care.



# Hope in the Face of Cancer: Muhammad's Story

Muhammad Farooque was just 18 when he was diagnosed with stage-two osteosarcoma, a rare and aggressive bone cancer.

He began chemotherapy at a local hospital, but instead of improving, his condition worsened. His arm swelled to twice its size, and doctors warned that the cancer was spreading. His family was told that amputation of his arm might be the only option. With hope fading, they turned to AKUH.

At AKUH, Muhammad was reassessed and supported through PBS for AKUH. The medical team assured his parents that every effort would be made to save his arm. After careful planning,

Muhammad underwent a complex surgery led by the AKUH team of experts, followed by multiple rounds of chemotherapy.

The treatment continued for one year. Muhammad was left weak and confined to a wheelchair for a time, but gradually, his strength returned. A year later, Muhammad is walking, healing, and looking forward to the future — with his arm saved and his life restored. For his family, who once feared losing his arm and his life, the financial support from PBS for AKUH for multiple surgeries and chemotherapies made this recovery possible and gave them a reason to look to a brighter future.



## Caring For Patients Beyond Treatment

Palliative care focuses on improving the quality of life for patients with serious, life-limiting illnesses by relieving pain and addressing emotional and psychosocial needs. In Pakistan, access to such care remains extremely limited, leaving many patients and families to cope with unnecessary suffering due to low awareness, few trained specialists, and restricted services.

At AKUH, palliative care is delivered through a multidisciplinary model that supports patients and families across inpatient, outpatient, and home-based settings. The service emphasises dignity, comfort, and holistic care alongside medical treatment, ensuring compassionate support at every stage of illness.

Besides expert cancer care, AKUH remains committed to extending compassionate palliative care, placing dignity, comfort, and quality of life at the heart of patient support for those facing serious illness.

Your Zakat and donations enable deserving patients with critical health conditions, such as cancer, to benefit from palliative care services at AKUH. These contributions help extend compassionate, patient-centred support to those who need it most, reducing suffering and improving quality of life for patients and their families.

In 2025, PBS for AKUH provided oncology palliative support to **21** patients battling cancer, disbursing **PKR 4.38** million.



# Donate to PBS for AKUH



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of your  
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are spent  
on patient  
care?

# In Gratitude

Your generosity has been a lifeline for financially disadvantaged families across Pakistan. Thanks to your continued support and the year on year growth in Zakat and donations, patients and their families can access treatment for complex diseases, from congenital heart disease and childhood cancers to neurological disorders, blood disorders, kidney and liver diseases, respiratory illnesses, and rare genetic conditions.

Each contribution provides care that goes far beyond medicine. It brings comfort, reassurance, and emotional support to patients and their families during their most difficult moments. At the heart of our success is the generosity and willingness of people across our country to support others in need.

On behalf of our doctors, nurses, and the entire team at AKUH, and most importantly the patients whose lives you have touched, we thank you for your trust and enduring partnership in our mission. Your generosity ensures that each year, more families across Pakistan can access the essential care they need, regardless of their circumstances.

Wishing you a year filled with hope, health, and blessings.



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