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On behalf of the PBS Executive Committee, I extend sincere gratitude for your unwavering support to The Patients' Behbud Society (PBS) for the Aga Khan University Hospital (AKUH). We deeply appreciate your continuing zakat and sadaqat donations, which are helping hundreds of thousands of patients get treated at AKUH. AKUH serves as a beacon of hope, especially for those with complex medical conditions and PBS for AKUH makes it possible for deserving patients who cannot afford treatment, get the care they need, with dignity.

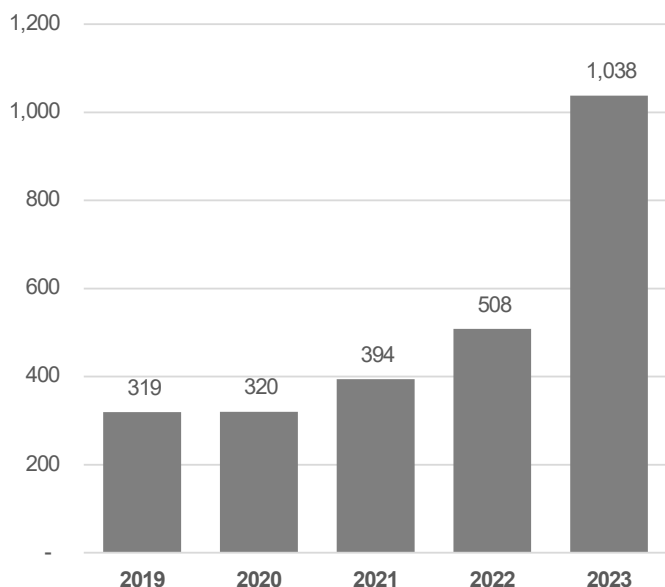
During this holy month of Ramzan, we earnestly request you to continue your support, as your contributions not only help needy patients, but will bring you countless blessings from the Almighty Allah (SWT).

Best wishes and regards,
Abdul Qadir Memon
President
The Patients' Behbud Society for AKUH

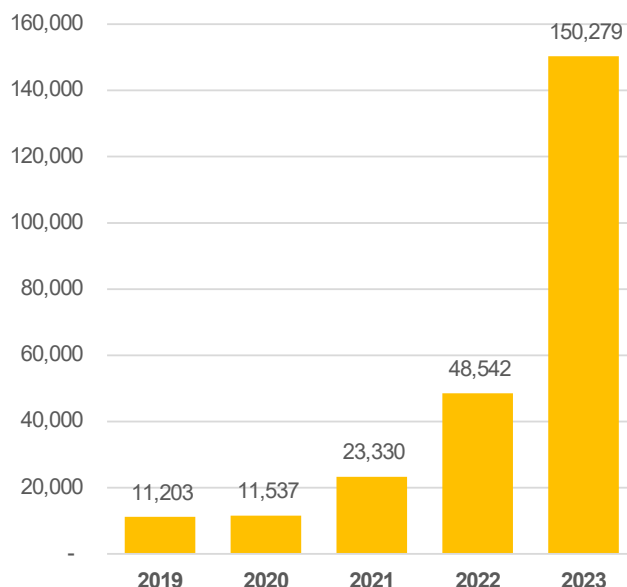


MAKING TRUSTED QUALITY CARE ACCESSIBLE

Amount Disbursed (Rs. Millions)



Patient Visits



A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR USMAN RASHEED

14-year-old Usman Rasheed wears the scars of pain and suffering behind his beaming smile. His skin has been pricked far too often, his eyes have shed many tears, and he has had sleepless nights, more than any boy his age should.

Usman is the eldest of Abdul Rasheed and Saira's three children. The family has been living in the Mominabad district in Karachi for the last 18 years. Abdul Rasheed works as a chauffeur and his wife, Saira, is a homemaker. Usman studies in seventh grade. Usman's younger brother, Ayan, has also suffered from health complications from a young age.

"I did not even have three thousand rupees when we brought Usman to AKUH. We could not even afford blood tests."

Saira (Usman's mother)

Since Usman's birth, Saira knew he was weak, "I knew that Usman had problems; in his early days, he could not keep his head steady." The problems persisted. "Usman would not eat meat. He would vomit whenever he had it."

Saira will never forget the fateful day when things worsened. "It was after 12 P.M. and Usman was at his school. He felt fatigued and informed his teach-



His teacher asked him to put his head on the desk and rest for a while. Moments later, when the teacher tried to wake him, Usman was in deep sleep. When he awoke, his eyes were yellow." His parents were called and they rushed him to a hospital. The doctors told Usman's parents that there was nothing they could do, and recommended that they take him to the Aga Khan University Hospital (AKUH).

Shortly after Usman was brought to AKUH, he was diagnosed with liver failure. His parents were asked by the AKUH doctors to fly to Islamabad for a liver transplant. A team of AKUH doctors accompanied Usman and his panic-stricken parents on the journey, to support his care and medical needs.

Usman came back to Karachi cured. When the bills for the treatment came in, Usman's parents knew they could not afford them. They applied for zakat support at The Patients' Behbud Society (PBS) and were assured of full support. Saira feels truly grateful:

"PBS is nothing less than a blessing for poor people. Today, our son is alive and well in front of our eyes thanks to PBS and its donors who have helped us."



Usman with his parents and brothers, Ayan and Arham



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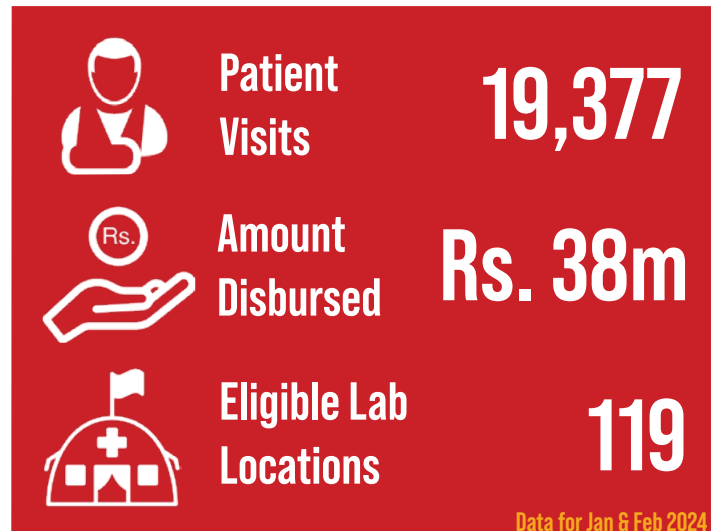


UPDATES ON OUR FLAGSHIP PROGRAMMES

PBS ZAKAT LABORATORY PROGRAMME

AKUH manages an extensive patient access programme, with 248 laboratory units out of the 300+ in Pakistan offering welfare. To further support zakat mustahiq patients access quality diagnostics, PBS for AKUH launched a zakat programme at AKUH laboratories in late 2020.

This programme started at two laboratory units in Karachi, and today, has expanded to 119 units across the country. The zakat support at these labs has been made possible thanks to our generous donors.



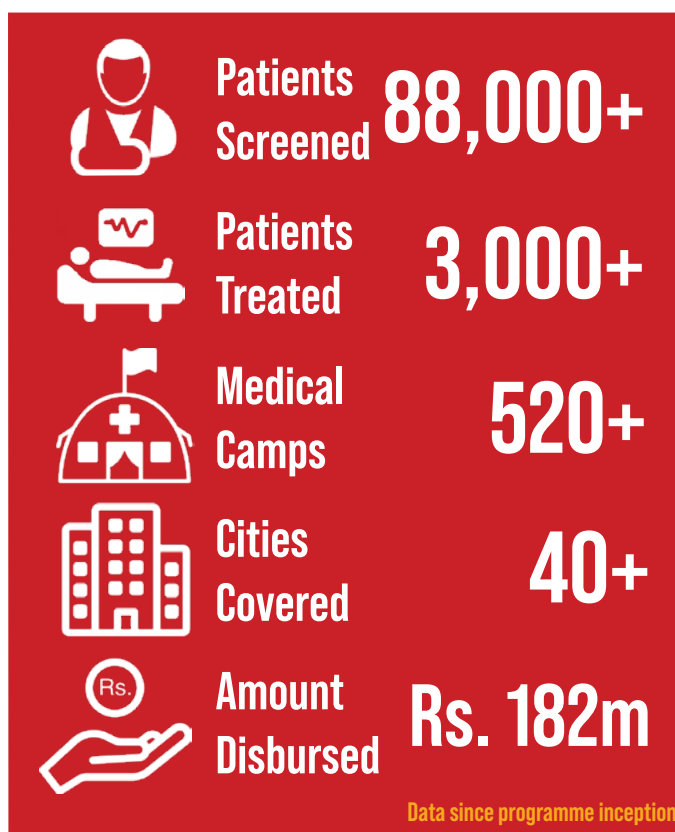
HEPATITIS - C ELIMINATION PROGRAMME

The Hepatitis-C elimination programme was initiated in 2021 by The Aga Khan University Hospital (AKUH) in collaboration with PBS for AKUH and our corporate donors. The programme provides screening, diagnosis, treatment and post-treatment care to diagnosed patients.

Thanks to our donors, the cost of treatment for needy patients has reduced by 75%.

Recently, PBS signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Oil and Gas Development Company Ltd. (OGDCL) to help us bring our Hepatitis-C medical camps to far flung regions in Sindh and Balochistan.

Since the Hepatitis-C programme's inception, we have screened over 88,000 people and over 3,000 have completed treatment.



SPECIAL RAMZAN OFFER FOR ZAKAT AT LABS

Accurate and timely diagnostics is the foundational bedrock of any successful medical treatment and care. In this regard, The Patients' Behbud Society for AKUH has been steadfast in its efforts in increasing access to diagnostic tests at AKUH Laboratories.

PBS for AKUH is pleased to inform its gracious donors that beginning from the month of Ramzan 2024, the underprivileged would be able to receive 80% zakat on their diagnostic bills at 119 participating AKUH laboratory locations around the country for two months. Other financially disadvantaged patients will be able to benefit from up to 40% welfare at 240+ AKUH laboratory locations.


As always, all applicants would have to go through our standard screening process to meet the criteria for mustahiq persons, as prescribed in our shariah-compliant framework.

Trusted Quality Lab Tests for
EVERYONE

80^{*}%

Zakat

All Zakat Mustahiq Patients




Scan to find your closest lab from the **100+** locations offering the Zakat Programme

UP TO 40%

Welfare



All Other Financially Disadvantaged Patients



Scan to find your closest lab from the **240+** locations offering the Welfare Programme

*80% Zakat offer valid from 11th March to 10th May 2024

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WATCH WHAT OUR PRESIDENT HAS TO SAY ABOUT THE ZAKAT OFFER AT AKUH LABORATORIES BY CLICKING ON THE LINK BELOW



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LAUNCH OF SECOND OPINION SERVICE AT THE AGA KHAN UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

The Aga Khan University Hospital, Pakistan has launched its pioneering “Second Opinion Services”. The service makes it possible for patients from across Pakistan and from around the world to have access to the medical opinions of AKUH’s highly regarded doctors without directly consulting with them.

To get a Second Opinion service from AKUH’s doctors, patients no longer have to make an appointment or commute to the hospital. By creating an account on the AKUH website, patients can share their medical information with AKUH doctors and get a written report with the doctor’s feedback.

Click the logo on the right to visit the page.

SECOND OPINION

Click here to apply for
Second Opinion Services

Donate to PBS for AKUH

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“

I am grateful
to PBS for their
help which gave
my daughter the
gift of hearing.

”

Shoukat Ali
Kazbano's Father