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### CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

#### *Preparations for Hajj has started - "Labaik Allahuma Labaik"*

The white garments (ihram) are symbolic of human equality and unity before Allah (swt), since all the pilgrims are dressed similarly. Money and status no longer are a factor for the pilgrims - the equality of each person in the eyes of Allah (swt) becomes paramount.

The Hajj is designed to develop God consciousness and a sense of spiritual upliftment. It is also believed to be an opportunity to seek forgiveness of sins accumulated throughout life. Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) had said that a person who performs Hajj properly "will return as a newly born baby [free of all sins]." The pilgrimage also enables Muslims from all around the world, of different colors, languages, races, and ethnicities, to come together in a spirit of universal brotherhood and sisterhood to worship the One God – Allah (swt) together.



**Special Hajj medical informaton will be issued shortly through CHB News Flash/DVD.**

### Professor Karim Manji – Gives lecture on Swine Flu and Tropical Fever:



Organized jointly by the Central Medical Board (CMB) of DSM Jamaat and the Central Health Board (CHB) of Africa Federation on the 25<sup>th</sup> night of Ramadhan 1430 after dua in the Gents Imambargha, also relayed in the Ladies.

## **Muzzafar Khalfan of Toronto, Canada donates optical equipment:**



Muzzafar Khalfan, an Optometrist from Toronto, Canada has recently donated used optical equipment, a Keratometer and Slit Lamp attached to a table for KSI Jamaat – Temeke Dispensary. The equipment for eye checkup will be very helpful for the Dispensary. Dr. Shiraz Dattoo of CanAfrica Aid assisted in organizing the airfreighting of the equipment to Dar es Salaam. CHB wish to thank

Br. Muzzafar Khalfan and Dr. Shiraz Dattoo for their kind assistance.

## **Thank You, Dr. Anwer Dhanji for the donation of two used dental equipment:**



CHB received two used dental chairs with some equipment and accessories from Dr. Anwer Dhanji of London, UK. One chair has been installed at KSIJ Temeke Dispensary in D'Salaam, the 2<sup>nd</sup> one is available for any Jamaat that require the dental chair. CHB wish to thank Dr. Dhanji for the kind donation and to Mr. Husein Dewji of Middle East Cargo for organizing the airfreight to Dar es Salaam at no cost. Thanks to Dr. Munir Dattoo of the WF Health Secretariat for coordinating the transfer and documentation from

London. We also wish to thank Br. Noorali Somji of Anchor Clearing & Forwarding Co. of Dar es Salaam for his assistance in clearing the dental chairs from customs at no cost. May Allah (swt) reward them all for their generosity – Ameen.

## **Dr. K. C. Mehta, Consultant Knee Surgeon from Ahmedabad meets CHB:**



Dr. K. C. Mehta a super specialist & Knee Surgeon who exclusively deals with knee problems operates at Krishna Hospital in Ahmedabad, India. On 10<sup>th</sup> October 2009, Dr. Mehta visited Ebrahim Haji Charitable Health Centre and met the Dar es Salaam Jamaat President, Alhaji Anwer Dharamsee, CHB Chairman, Alhaji Aunali Khalfan and the Administrator of Ebrahim Haji Health Centre, Mr. Abbas R. Manji. Dr. Mehta offered a special package for Total Knee Replacement to CHB.

## **PHYATHAI Hospital of Bangkok, Thailand offers medical services to CHB:**



On 29<sup>th</sup> September 2009, Dr. Yonguth Maylarp, Director of International Medical Centre, Ms. Siripen Panprom, Senior International Marketing Manager and Mr. Iqbal Dadani, Official Representative – Africa Region of Phyathai Group of Hospitals met with the Central Health Board to establish broader working relationship with the Board, the visitors gave a presentation of their facilities and medical services available. They are keen to to handle our patients who may require medical treatment in Thailand.

Phyathai Group Hospitals has one of the best medical facilities in Bangkok, consisting of Phyathai 1, 2 and Phyathai 3 Hospital. Together, they have been providing medical treatment and healthcare to Thai and foreign patients for 30 years. The International Relations Centre (IRC) is a special centre established to provide all types of hospital services to foreigners. From Health Check-up to all major surgeries with state of the art facilities. Those interested can contact CHB for more details.

## **Global Hospitals, World-Class Tertiary Care – A new opening for CHB:**

A meeting was held in Dar es Salaam on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009 with Mr. Khalil Rasheed, Vice President – International Business Development of Global Hospitals Group, Hyderabad, India.

Global Hospitals, founded by Dr. K. Ravindranath, a pioneer in Surgical Gastroenterology and Laparoscopic Surgery, has emerged as a leading multi organ transplant centre and is recognized as an important referral centre for complex surgeries and treatment across several medical disciplines.

Global Hospitals are located in Hyderabad, Bengaluru and Chennai, having the state of the art setup in Perumbakkam, Chennai, with the following facilities:-

- Nuclear Medicine & PET CT Division
- Institute of Urology
- Institute of Advanced Gastroenterology & Therapeutic Endoscopy
- Institute of Liver, Pancreas Diseases & Transplantation
- Cancer Institute & Centre for Bone Marrow Transplantation
- Institute of Orthopaedics & Joint Replacement



Dr K Ravindranath, Chairman & MD

Mr. Khalil Rasheed is based in Hyderabad has offered his personal attention to our patients should they decide to go to Hyderabad or Chennai for medical treatment. The treatment are reasonably priced, however, Global Hospitals have agreed to give special consideration for CHB patients.

For more details – please contact CHB office in Dar es Salaam.

## The Community Health Insurance Plan (CHIP) – Meeting with members:



Though the response from our community so far has been very poor, CHB has taken steps and initiatives to proceed with the registration of those interested members who have registered.

A presentation by Resolution and one to one session was held at Tabligh Auditorium on 6<sup>th</sup> October 2009

## Cervical Cancer Screening gains momentum in Arusha & Moshi Jamaats:

The CHB Representative of Mwanza Jamaat, Dr. Mubarkali Janmohamed with a team of two lady doctors from Bugando Hospital in Mwanza travelled to Arusha and Moshi on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2009 to carry out the screening for Cervical Cancer.

In both Jamaats, the response from the ladies were good, and, with the support of the Jamaats, Medical Boards and the KSI Jamaat dispensaries, the exercise was successfully carried out in both the Jamaats. 110 ladies participated in the screening program.



President of Arusha Jamaat with the doctors from Bugando Hospital and Medical Board Members of Arusha Jamaat



Chair of the Medical Board, Alhaj Salim Habib presenting a token of appreciation to Dr. Jeniffer from Bugando Hospital

We wish to thank Dr. Mubarakali, Dr. Beatrice and Dr. Jeniffer the two lady doctors from USA who are currently stationed in Mwanza at Bugando Hospital for their assistance in carrying out the screening program. The assistance and support provided by Dr. Aliasgher Sajaan and Dr. Mohamed Alwani is greatly appreciated.

We are also thankful to Arusha and Moshi Jamaats and their Medical Boards for hosting the three doctors and making all the local arrangements for the screening. The program is fully sponsored by CHB.

Detailed report will be issued vide CHB News Flash in due course.

## THE RAMADHAN MINI HEALTH SCREENING PROGRAM IN D'SALAAM:



Organized by the Central Medical Board (CMB) of DSM Jamaat in collaboration with the Central Health Board (CHB), Ebrahim Haji Charitable Health Centre and JAMSA (Jaffery Medical Students Association Africa) was held during the first 18 night of the holy month of Ramadhan 1430 AH. About 800 ladies and gents participated in this program. Results will be issued shortly through the CHB News Flash.

## APPRECIATION NITE FOR THE RAMADHAN MINI HEALTH SCREENING PROGRAM SPONSORERS, ORGANIZERS, DOCTORS & VOLUNTEERS:

Special program – “**Appreciation Nite**” was held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at the terrace of Zahra Towers to appreciate the organizers, doctors, medical students (JAMSA), volunteers and the sponsorer, M/s. Philips Medical Distributors of Dar Es Salaam, the company was represented by Mr. Jasvinder Singh Hora.



## THE GRAND SON AND THE GREAT GRAND SON OF LATE EBRAHIM HAJI VISITS EBRAHIM HAJI CHARITABLE HEALTH CENTRE IN D'SALAAM:



Seen here is the grandson of late Ebrahim Haji, Mr. Nazim F. Haji signing the visitor's book, seated next to him is Mr. Amer Haji, the great grandson of late Ebrahim Haji. They paid a courtesy visit on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2009.

The late Ebrahim Haji and the late Juma Haji families have continued supporting the Central Medical Board in its efforts to improve the medical services and upgrading the facilities at Ebrahim Haji Charitable Health Centre in Dar Es Salaam. The family of late Ebrahim and Juma Haji are residing in Karachi, Pakistan.



### Brief History of Ebrahim Haji Charitable Health Centre:

The Health Centre building was donated to the KSI Jamaat of Dar es Salaam by the family of late Ebrahim Haji in 1950 for the purpose of a charitable dispensary. In 1959 a Charitable Dispensary was established with the aim of providing affordable medical services to the general public. The major expansion was carried out in 1991 including in-patient wards, ICU etc. It was in June 1993 when the Dispensary was upgraded and registered as a Charitable Hospital. In 1998 the Hospital was changed to a Health Centre to abide with the Ministry of Health requirements of registration.

The mission and aim of Ebrahim Haji Charitable Health Centre is to provide efficient, reliable and quality healthcare services to the people, always striving to serve them with benevolence, dignity and affection.

### Jamaat Medical News:

We request all Jamaats and the Medical Boards in Africa to send articles, news and photographs of events of health and medical activities in their respective Jamaats. Email to:

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