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Physical Rehabilitation Center For Persons with  
Disabilities of Kunar and Nuristan Provinces.

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## Physical Rehabilitation Center Officially Opened.

Date: 7/7/2011

**Objective:**

To increase access to Orthopedic, Orthotic, prosthetic, walking aids, assistive devices, physiotherapy services to adults, children and woman with disability and those non disabled if not treated will become disabled in Kunar and Nuristan provinces

## Brief Introduction:

Kunar is one of the eastern provinces with an approximate 410008 population. Kunar is a Pashtoon dominated province but Pashayees, Gujars and others are also living there for a long time. Most part of the current Nuristan Province is separated from Kunar Province especially from the Petch Valley. A number of Tajiks are also living in this province but in the past they lost their native language and right now they are mainly speaking in Pashto.

Early in the morning on 6/7/2011 at 4:40 am we have left Kabul for Kunar in a convey of 3 vehicles i.e. 1 white pickup clearly marked with demining Logo, Toyota corolla and a pick up rented for the transportation of supply from Kabul to Physical rehabilitation center in Kunar. The demining pick up was also loaded with some material and supply but in addition to the supply that we have purchased from Empor we also had a number of donated line items from Empor loaded in DAO pick up for which we are very thankful to them.

Since we have initiated our travel early in the morning therefore there was no rush hour and we have been safely reached to Jalalabad within the desired time. No problem has been noticed including the security along the way from Kabul to Jalalabad. We have our tea in Jalalabad then once again resumed our travel toward Kunar on the same vehicles with the same number of DAO staff.

Although the weather was very hot but the road linking Kunar with Jalalabad was very much crowded. We have seen many people along the way that they were swimming in the river but there were a number of others who were just going up and down in the river for fishing.

## Meetings:

Soon after our arrival to Kunar at around 11:00 am we have a joint meeting with DAO staff and the staff of the Persons with Disabilities organization (PDO). We have distributed the relevant tasks to the staff to be carried out on 7/7/2011 and we have listened to the reports from the staff on all those completed activities with regard to the opening ceremony. For coordination purposes the director of DAO has also had meetings with the governor Kunar, Provincial director for Martyrs and Disabled Mr. Attaullah Noory, Mr. Mia Hassan head of the Provincial assembly, Mr. Assadullah Fazli director of public Health and Dr. Farooq Director the Provincial Hospital.



A view of the opening ceremony in Kunar on 7/7/2011.

A total of 220 people belonging to all walk of life including community leaders government officials, journalists and persons with disabilities have been invited to participant where based on the allocation DAO has provided lunch to more than 160 persons coming to the provincial center from the remote districts.



Speeches delivered in support of the center.

Omara Khan Muneeb the director DAO has briefly explained the objectives, activities of the center and has thanked the Governor Kunar, relevant provincial departments particularly Provincial directorate of Labor, Social, Affairs, Martyrs and Disabled, Head of the Provincial Assembly Mr. Mia Hassan Adil, Provincial department of Health, Provincial department of Economic, Head of the PDO and CPI for their generous support and comprehensive assistance for the smoothly implementation of the of the center activities.

SayedFazlullahWahidi Governor Kunar.

His Excellency the governor of Kunar has thanked DAO and its donor agency for assisting persons with disabilities of Kunar and Nuristan and has promised that he will provide comprehensive assistance toward the implementation of the center activities. He has congratulated all persons with disabilities in Kunar for the opening of this new physical rehabilitation center in Kunar. He has further stated that he remember that a number of persons with disabilities were either going to Jalalabad and even Peshawar via Nawa Pass for a small repair to adjust the nuts and bolts. He thanked Allah Almighty for enabling DAO and its donor agency to provide physical rehabilitation services in the Province of Kunar and Nuristan.

Mr.AmanullahZadran!

Mr.AmanullahZadran an adviser to the president of the Islamic State of Afghanistan was visiting Kunar just to assist a number of refugees who have fled and left their villages because of the rocket and missile shelling from across the border. Beside other he was also invited to attend the opening ceremony and deliver his speech to the audience. He appreciated the assistance from DAO and has asked the provincial government to assist DAO in case if they may have any problem so that they could implement their activities as according to the requirements of Persons with disabilities.

Head of the Provincial Assembly Mr.Mia Hassan Adil:

He has warmly congratulated all persons with disabilities from Kunar and Nuristan for opening of the physical rehabilitation center, whole heartedly thanked DAO and has also promised his assistance.

Mr.AttaullahNoory

Director LOSAMD.

Mr. Attaullah Noory the provincial director for Martyrs and Disabled has also delivered his speech in support of the center where he has also thanked DAO and its staff for providing their valuable services for persons with disabilities in Kunar. Among others Mr. Assadullah Fazli Provincial director of Health, Mr. Abdul Aziz Omari director of Persons with disabilities Organization in Kunar, Senator Haidery, Senator Haji M. Amin and Mr. M. Jafer Tawkaly delivered their speeches.

Following the completion of the speeches all the participants and guests have been invited to see the exhibition conducted by DAO. In the exhibition we have displayed the newly produced prosthesis, Calipers and other assistive devices either produced by the DAO Orthopedic center or imported for the subject physical rehabilitation center. Afterwards the governor, all the guests, Journalists and DAO staff moved to the center to officially inaugurate the center by cutting off the ribbon by his Excellency Mr. Sayd Fazlullah Wahidi Governor Kunar.

