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Humanity First Chairman Returns from Haiti Rehab Visit

Review of Post-Earthquake Rehabilitation Projects Very Satisfying

Vaughan, Ontario, Canada – The Chairman of Humanity First Canada, Dr. Aslam Daud has returned from Haiti today after a very successful visit and review of the Post-Earthquake projects.

Since the massive relief work done by Humanity First after 2010 earthquake (<http://www.humanityfirst.ca/haitisouvenir/>), the organization has continued its presence in Haiti by providing Primary Health Care and supporting other local rehabilitation work to restore the communities and rebuild the future.

One of the target areas for rehabilitation was mountain community of Seguin that lacked basic necessities of life. In addition to providing health care and general public health initiatives, Humanity First has built a school on the mountains. While the actual school structure is near completion, about 170 students are already attending the school in a temporary Tarpaulin makeshift structure.

"The school students and staff gave us the warmest welcome and are extremely excited watching their very own school nearing completion", reported Dr. Daud from Haiti. "The local population has renewed hopes for their future and is dreaming for a better life". He added.

The Primary School consists of 6 classrooms and offices for a medical clinic. Humanity First will also have a full time local doctor in the mountain area. Dr. Clayton Bell of Humanity First who started the clinic in Seguin, has been literally living in the mountains since 2010, and he has built a strong bond with the community. He will continue to oversee the growth of the community in Seguin.

"Haitian people are still recovering from the effects of earthquake of 2010. I saw large communities still living in tents and poverty is rampant in Haiti." Dr. Daud commented giving impressions of his visit. "Our focus is now to rebuild communities to make them self-sufficient. We plan to work on educating the community and provide much needed health care to give them a promise of good future". With these projects in progress, Humanity First has already created many employment opportunities in the local community.

Dr. Daud visited a number of communities in Seguin and Jacmel area. He also visited a local orphanage and a hospital to see abandoned children. Humanity First immediately offered the support to a 2 day old child who was left abandoned in a latrine by his mother. Humanity First also sponsored cataract surgery to restore vision of a person who could not see simply due to poverty.

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Dr. Daud also met with other NGOs working in the area to find synergies and explore other projects such as providing clean water and building low cost homes for homeless.

Donations for Haiti Rehabilitation Projects can be made online at <http://www.humanityfirst.ca>, or by mailing a check to Humanity First. All donations are tax-deductible.

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Notes to editors:

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