

CardiacEye International Foundation Free Medical Camp

for Treatment of Cardiovascular Diseases in

far out town Kunri, District UmerKot, Sindh Province, Pakistan

CardiacEye International Foundation (CEIF) organized and conducted a free Camp with its team on Heart & Lung diseases in Kunri Christian Hospital for two days (24-25th September 2014). Professor Dr Maqsood Elahi (Founder and Chairman) CEIF led this medical camp where the basic cardiological and respiratory facilities such as blood pressure monitoring, EKG, Echocardiography of heart, pulmonary function tests and clinical haematological checkups were provided.

Kunri is a town located in the Umarkot District, Sindh province in the southern part of Pakistan. It is about 300 miles from Karachi, one of the largest cities in Pakistan. It has a population of about 100,000 that consists of Muslims, Christians, Kashmiri, and Hindus ethnicity. Kunri's economy is mostly based on agriculture. The region produces different types of crops, including red chilies, cotton, sunflower, sugar cane, and mangoes. By far, the most popular crop in Kunri is the red chili, which sustains the financial structure of the town. Kunri is known as the biggest red chili market in Pakistan yet it remained deprived of basic health and sanitation facilities. According to the WHO recent survey, most of Kunri population is living below poverty line. Kunri has a conservative culture, unlike the metropolitan cities of Pakistan. Transportation is a problem in the city; the only road joining Kunri to Mirpurkhas is in bad condition and requires constant repair. "Kaykra" desert runner trucks are used to travel in the desert area near Kunri.





Professor Dr Elahi educated local community during the two day medical camp that heart and lung diseases are fast spreading in Pakistan with special reference to Kunri district. Due to the non availability of health services and specialized doctors in the area, CEIF has now started to organize a basic health unit so that the region and the Tharr desert of Sindh Pakistan can have the first class diagnostics and treatment at the time of need.





CEIF has also pledged to provide a state of the art fully equipped ambulance service to the people in the area in coming months. Professor Dr Elahi also delivered a lecture on the cardiac and respiratory disease pathologies to the hospital medical and paramedical staff and met the local members of the parliament as well. CEIF will regularly organize such camps to the region.

