



To FREE the African societies  
from Ignorance, Poverty & Disease







## Who We Are?

Direct Aid began its works in 1981 as a voluntary non-governmental organization interested in development of the neediest places in Africa. It implements its works based on scientific methods. Without regard to individual cases. Education projects are a priority for Direct Aid with all its aspects as essential means to change the tragic situation lived by people in Africa, raising the slogan “Education is a legal right for each child in Africa”

Seeking leadership in charitable work, Direct Aid was one of the first charity societies in the Islamic World that revived the traditional acts of the Prophet Peace Be upon Him in constructing the small endowment projects.



## Our Vision

To free the African societies from ignorance, poverty and disease.

## Our Mission

Providing distinctive services in the field of education, relief as well as developing the capabilities and income of the poor communities.

Improving them to depend on themselves & the local sources.

## Strategic Targets

- Focusing on the education and development of individuals.
- Focusing on and developing health services.
- Fighting poverty.
- Transparency in work, especially financially.
- Developing of human efficiency.
- Achieving highest quality
- Create a spirit of cooperation and creativity.
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## Our Values

- Cooperation
- Loyalty
- Dedication
- Honesty
- Excellence
- Human Consideration

## Where We Work?

The offices of Direct Aid are located in the following countries

- Mozambique
- Somalia
- Chad
- Niger
- Mauritania
- Burkina Faso
- Comoros
- Mali
- Malawi
- Ghana
- Yemen
- Madagascar
- Uganda
- Benin
- Ethiopia
- Kenya
- Central African Republic
- Gambia
- Togo
- Guinea Bissau
- Rwanda
- Guinea
- Zambia
- Sudan
- Sierra Leone
- Tanzania
- South Africa
- Zanzibar
- Zimbabwe
- Senegal
- Tunis



## Direct Aid Nationally and Internationally

- A member in the United Nations, and the consultative, economic and social council.
- With diplomatic identity in a number of countries by virtue of agreements with the Ministries of Foreign Affairs in these countries.

## The Direct Aid Society obtained prizes in its individual capacity or represented by the identity of Dr. Abdul Rehman Al Sumait

- Medal of presidents of GCC countries held in Muscat for the charity work 1986.
- Prize of King Faisal Ben Abdulaziz, God have mercy on him, for service of Islam and Muslims in 1996.
- Trophy of the Ministry of Social Affairs in Kuwait in 1997.
- Trophy of the Medical Kuwait Society 1997.
- Trophy of the Kuwait Scout 1998.
- Medal of the GCC for the service of Scout Movement 1999.
- Medal of the two Niles of First Class from the Republic of Sudan 1999.
- Prize of Sharjah for voluntary work 2008.
- The second place in Middle East Forbes Prize for the most transparent societies 2011.
- First place in Kuwait Electronic Prize contest for the best website 2012.
- Distinction Prize in orphans care in the GCC countries (Kafel) 2014 presented by the Social Responsibility Regional Network in the Kingdom of Bahrain in cooperation with the United Nations Organization, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and other organizations.

## Achievements of the Society

- Financially supporting more than 2,000 teachers.
- Raising and supporting more than 70,000 orphans.
- College scholarships given to more than 7,775 students.
- Constructed 4 hospitals and operating them now.
- Constructed 260 medical clinics and operating them now.
- Built 260 schools from kindergarten until high school and managing them now.
- Built more than 5,094 mosques in different African countries.
- Dug more than 18,568 of surface and artesian wells to those in need of clean water.
- Founded 10 radio broadcasting stations in Africa and producing radio shows in 17 African countries.
- Built 36 religious institutes and managing them now.
- Executed more than 1,504 health programs (surgery, eyes, vaccination, circumcision & medical camps).
- Sent 570,000 tons of aid including medicine, food and clothes.
- Funded development projects 8,586 for the benefit of the poor families.
- Built 63 training centers for women and managing them now.
- Built 3 universities with various academic majors and managing them now.
- Established several air relief bridges to convey the urgent aid to the areas of drought and poverty throughout the African countries.
- 6,577 employees work for Direct Aid, 182 of reside in Kuwait and the rest in Yemen and 30 African countries.



## Partnerships and Agreements

- Refugees Relief Agency (High Commissioner for Refugees).
- International Food Program.
- UNESCO
- Islamic Development Bank.
- Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD)
- Al-Basar International Foundation.

Agreements with governments of all countries where the Direct Aid Society is working.

- Agreements with the heads of the governments.
- Agreements with the ministries concerned with the activities of the Society.










## Words from the Founder of the Society

“Experience taught us to focus on the efforts and to use the available capabilities rationally and that dispersing of efforts and money without a clear strategy to achieve clear objectives is a loss”.

A photograph of Dr. Abdul Rehman Al Sumait, the founder of Direct Aid Society, standing in the center of a large group of children. He is wearing a white traditional Islamic cap (kumma) with intricate patterns, glasses, and a white shirt. The children around him are dressed in school uniforms, including green berets and plaid scarves. Some children are holding small bottles of orange juice. The background shows a simple, light-colored wall with a window.

Direct Aid Society Founder  
Dr. **Abdul Rehman** Al Sumait  
May God have mercy on him









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