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## PRESS RELEASE: Muslim Charities raise efforts for Pakistani flood victims

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The Muslim Charities Forum welcomes the British Muslim Charities' effort in raising funds for and delivering aid to, the millions affected by the floods in north-western Pakistan.

The floods have left around 1,600 people dead, forced 2 million from their homes and disrupted the lives of about 14 million people. The flooding has also contributed to an outbreak of cholera and other diseases which have gone on to affect livestock.

According to the United Nations, the number of people suffering could eclipse the combined total of the 2004 Tsunami, the 2005 Kashmir earthquake and the 2010 Haiti earthquake.

Chair of the MCF, Dr. Hany El-Banna commented, "This natural disaster has seen a prosperous region of Pakistan become uninhabitable due to the severe weather conditions. It is imperative that aid reaches the people affected as soon as possible. The mobilisation of the Muslim Community in raising funds for the aid agencies in the field is encouraging and I am sure that this will supplement the relief effort of other charities operating in the area."

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Notes for Editors

The Muslim Charities Forum is a body offering support and advocacy to UK based Muslim led humanitarian aid agencies.

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