



الجواب بعون الوهاب واليه المرجع والمآب

The Human Development Foundation (HDF) is a non-profit organization founded in 1997 by visionary members of the Pakistani diaspora, driven by concerns about the inadequate state of human development within the country. Working across all four provinces of Pakistan and AJK, HDF is dedicated to alleviating the plight of individuals facing multidimensional poverty by focusing on areas encompassing education, health, livelihood, food security, and sustainable environment, which includes initiatives related to water, sanitation, and hygiene. Additionally, HDF extends support to those affected by natural calamities like floods and earthquakes. It's important to note that Zakat funds can be collected and utilized for these noble purposes.

As Allah states in the Holy Qur'an when delineating the principles of Zakat:

إِنَّمَا الصَّدَقَاتُ لِلْفُقَرَاءِ وَالْمَسْكِينِ وَالْعَامِلِينَ عَلَيْهَا وَالْمَوْلُوفَةِ قُلُوبُهُمْ وَفِي الرِّقَابِ
وَالْعَارِمِينَ وَفِي سَبِيلِ اللَّهِ وَأَبْنِ السَّبِيلِ قَرِيضَةً مِّنَ اللَّهِ وَاللَّهُ عَلِيمٌ حَكِيمٌ

Translation:

“Zakat is for the poor, and the destitute, and those who administer them, and for reconciling hearts, and for freeing slaves, and for those in debt, and for spending in the path of Allah, and for the traveler in need—an obligation from Allah. Allah is All-Knowing, Most Wise.” (At-Tawbah: 60)

In accordance with this verse, it is evident that Zakat funds can indeed be utilized in the aforementioned endeavors.

هذا ما عندى والله اعلم بالصواب



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