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Rescue Team

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الشراكات لتعزيز عمليات الاستجابة للكوارث

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Every day, calamities hit the core of the weakest human species and alter the fate of the most vulnerable beings of our planet. Yet, the international committees and the UN as well as their associates are working hard on preventing, defending, saving, and assisting those in need during the times of mishaps. In order for these efforts to reach their utmost goals, mutual collaborations are mandatory. The wellbeing of humanity is the primary goal of such partnerships.
The alliances between the East & the West are still fragile and most of the time they fall into the gap of misinterpretations and misconceptions. The physical presence of the Western organizations on the suffering premises is often misconstrued as a mask with a hidden agenda or a concealed profitable existence. All that leads to the necessity of establishing alliances between the East and the West in order to indemnify the excellence of the humanitarian acts done. These alliances need to have a clear and adequate mission and vision that will only serve all humans.
An alliance is defined as a close association of nations or other groups, openly formed to advance common interests or causes. These later encompass Man's right to live peacefully without any political or economic disturbances. Therefore, efforts need to be done on the basis of erasing the negative effects of catastrophes according to a pre-established and approved plan of action.
1. Countries need to empower the volunteer humanitarian work among the different social classes, putting the youth to good use in assisting the human rights cause.
2. Establish and encourage the local community to volunteer and provide all available and accessible means of aid (physical or non-physical) as well as provide trainings for the volunteers.
3. Promote the culture of volunteering among the community, the companies, and the governmental entities just the same.
4. Improve the cooperation among all local, international and multinational entities

5. Provide incentives to encourage large entities such as trading companies and airline companies to pitch in with any logistics, financial support, or transport & storage facilities.

6. Create a specific independent entity to coordinate and relate information and tasks among all parties included in the relief processes.
7. Establish a private account and a private treasury reserved to welcome any donations, and assign a balance from the national income for the established account.

8. Maintain ongoing efforts to coordinate work with the multitude of levels within the local and international governments.

9. The army, the Public defense, and the medical organizations are necessary and crucial parties that need to be encompassed in such kinds of efforts.
10. The media is an essential element that needs to work according to neutral standards in order to spread the good deeds we are aiming at and attracting as many donors as possible. The media will work on broadcasting the real humane image of the efforts being done with total transparency, thus, taking no sides, and keeping the humanitarian efforts on a high pedestal away from corrupt intentions, which will only encourage the international associations to take part in the relief processes and efforts.
11. Establish ongoing trainings to maintain efficiency and quality of the relief response and staying updated with the latest technologies needed in the relief processes.
Benefits of the Alliances

1. Unification of efforts and avoidance of duplication and multipolar activities
2. Reduction of time consumed and wasted in order to avoid agglomerated damage
3. Fast response to crisis on different grounds, proper establishment and coordination of work flow
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4. Establish well-grounded and non-political foundations among religions & cultures.
5. Raise the scale of appreciation & respect for the efforts endeavored by the organizations which increases the sense of responsibility and respect.
6. The exchange of efforts and ideas will only improve the quality of the humanitarian work.
Benefits of the Alliances

7. Alliances help in the growth of technical skills and improvement of performances and applications through intensive extensive exchange programs and training sessions as well local & international symposiums before and during the misfortune occurrence.
Alliances in the Humanitarian Response
UAE Sample
UAE Relief Team
All holly religions have spoken about and encouraged the respect of the fellow human. They all have defended the human's rights and the love of the greater good.
The Rashidee Political Views in the United Arab Emirates is not at all detached from humanity because the government is based on strong moral and humane foundations. The efforts done and maintained by the UAE around the globe encompass the vision of HH. Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed A'al Nahyan, God bless him. This vision is very closely woven in a way to include the best interest of those in need during times of crisis without expecting anything in return, plus incorporating the principles of our belated HH. Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan A'al Nahyan thus, including total collaboration and assistance in aiding the victims of disasters.
UAE is considered a major country that helps during times of crisis, all that is due to the efforts of HH Sheikh Mohamad Bin Rashed and HH Sheikh Mohamad Bin Zayed A'al Nahyan. All this was done through consistent exertions, primarily ignoring race, religion and gender all together and putting the human's best interest at hand.
Our Islamic upbringing and our ethical backgrounds have both implanted the humanitarian acts into our daily routines from a tender age up until today. The habits and traditions of our beloved country have done nothing but reinforcing these routines, surpassing this and enclosing our interactions with the cosmopolitan expats living within the premises of UAE. The organizations and institutes established to pamper and watch over our fellows have taken keen care and a have put a great deal of effort to maintain the excellence of the financial and moral support in the field of humanitarian work. All this is made clear through:
1. Establishing the coordination center of external donations. UAE is the only Arab which archives all documents related to external donations at the Growth Committee for the Mutual Economical Support Organization since 2009; according to the standards of this committee. UAE has been classified as the 20th most donating countries in the world, and the 2nd in the category of donating countries outside the committee during 2011. All that, places UAE in an advanced position and an elite spot on the international scale.
Takatouf Program: which is a national program that translates the team's vision of HH Sheikh Mohamad Bin Zayed A'al Nahyan which aims at reinforcing the values of humanitarian volunteer work and encouraging youth to participate in that with all their God given abilities and power.

3. Sheikh Zayed Humanitarian Award: which was established to encourage volunteer work throughout the different levels of the community.

4. Humanitarian Services City of Dubai: which aims as providing logistic support. It encourages companies to provide their services or equipment during times of crisis.
5. Establishing special funds for emergencies and encouraging society and enterprises to pitch in by providing goods and services as well as financial support during the times of catastrophes.

6. UAE has founded many associations and alliances with different parts of the community (medical, financial/banks, airlines) and the government in order to activate the work flow in and outside the country.
1. Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Foundation
2. Mohamad Bin Rashed Al Maktoum Humanitarian and Charity Association
3. Zayed Maktoum Humanitarian and Charity Association
4. UAE Red Crescent
5. Dubai Cares
6. Nour Dubai Foundation
7. Abu Dhabi Fund
8. Al Maktoum Foundation
9. Dubai Charity
10. Sharjah Charity
11. Emirates International Mobile Humanitarian Hospital
12. Ahmad Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Humanitarian and Charity Organization
13. Emirates Airlines Foundation
UAE Relief Team sets the standards for teamwork & instant response.
During the Libyan crisis, UAE has enhanced the collaborations and partnerships in order to come to the rescue of those on need on the Libyan grounds. We were able to put to good use our teams of military, medical & airline forces and aid in a harmonized way incapacitated entities. The team included the following:
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Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan Foundation
Mohamad Bin Rashed Al Maktoum
Humanitarian and Charity Association
Zayed Maktoum Humanitarian and Charity Association
UAE Red Crescent
Many more enterprises that collaborated and donated generously
The UAE donations reached all the Libyan grounds and the UAE Relief Team worked with much resilience, transparency and commitment. All that led to much recognition worldwide.
As for the media, the team managed to show the real images of the work done. All that brought nothing but great honor & greater respect for our beloved country and its efforts in sustaining fellow humans in need.

UAE Relief Team was able to exchange expertise with other international relief organizations which enabled it to return with a growth plan to improve work flow & excellency.
UAE is still encouraging future partnerships. It has also invigorated the contributions among all Arab Emirates. It has also been working on a relief plan for Yemen.
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UAE does not establish partnerships and leave them on paper. UAE strives to prove its reliability and credibility in the humanitarian field. Workshops and trainings have been organized with the collaboration of the UN and the Red Crescent on how to respond to a crisis caused by an earthquake in a country torn by civil war.
Conclusion

It is impossible to ignore that UAE has abetted over 120 countries in need of humanitarian assistance. Our aim was always good will and unconditional donating no matter how geographically far a country might be. Our belated HH Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan has been repeatedly connected with great humanitarian achievements and implementations of great intentions. Those achievements have sustained during the reign of HH Sheikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al Nahyan. The decency, pellucidity, and humility have been the colors of our humanitarian acts. The passion for unrestricted compassionate human work has been our guide and ultimate torch. And with the Almighty's guidance will shall prevail and lead the better way to come to the rescue of everyone in need on our beloved globe, under the same sky, while we breathe the same air.