

PROGRESS REPORT 2011

AMERICAN TEAM MILT VISITS DSF AND APPLAUDS THE EFFORTS OF DSF

Milt visited from US and made a documentary about DSF patients and their efforts to make a comeback to life. Ms. Masarrat Misbah briefed them about the discomfort and the distress these girls go through every day. "It is difficult to revive a life, particularly with the present support system and legislative acts available".

MEDIA ADVOCACY:

Sabra and Masarrat Misbah appeared on A plus TV channel in program 'Life sey kar lo dosti'. The efforts carried out by the DSF team in rehabilitating the victims were highly appreciated. .

PTV applauded the efforts of DSF in Shahida Mini show. DSF survivors, Shahnaz Kauser and Sabra Sultana appeared on the show. In another show PTV appreciated DSF mission taken up nine years back. Masarrat Misbah and Reddah Misbah appeared on show and spoke about the plight and misery that the victims face.

Dawn news appreciated the efforts of Masarrat Misbah and discussed the life story of burnt victim Sabra Sultana. Sabra is one of our most courageous survivors and currently employed as patient coordinator for DSF activities. Sabra facilitates the victims during surgeries and follow up recovery procedure.

Express news celebrated International Women's Day with DSF survivors and applauded their courage and bravery.

LUMS celebrated International Women's Day with DSF survivors. Shahnaz kauser and Sabra Sultana participated in the program on behalf of DSF survivors.

Women Bank invited DSF survivors and President DSF for a talk on violence against women.

Geo News on Shir Lodhi Show appreciated the efforts of Masarrat Misbah and the cause she is fighting for: helping burnt victims of domestic violence.

A plus, celebrated the success of DSF survivors. Masarrat Misbah, Reddah Misbah and Urooj spoke about the difficulties faced by the victims of domestic violence.

Japanese media documented the plight of burnt victims: A renowned Journalist from Japan visited DSF and made a report on our brave survivors. She shed light over the plight of these girls, the distress and agony they have to face for the rest of their lives. She also visited Kanwal Qayyum's

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residence at Karachi and documented the facts. Kanwal aspired to be an air hostess but her in laws threw acid on her on the day before her interview.

ATV appreciated the cause of DSF and the survivors were invited to participate in Farah Husain show.

ARY appreciated the cause of DSF and invited few DSF survivors to their morning program

Masarrat Misbah was invited by city 42 TV for a talk on violence against women and our role as a nation

PTV appreciated efforts and cause of DSF and invited DSF survivors to their morning show.

BBC took interview of Sabra Sultana, one of our DSF survivors and appreciated the courage and bravery demonstrated by her.

Express news recognised the cause and invited DSF survivors to speak about their life history. Sabira Sultana and Bushra Shafi appeared in the program and discussed their struggle.

ARY applauded the efforts of Masarrat Misbah and team DSF was invited by Dr. Amir Liaqat in his program *Alim aur Alim*, Sabra Sultana, Zareena and Maimoona discussed their life stories and DSF's role in improving their lives. The host appealed the public to step forward and join hands with team DSF.

Indus TV appreciated the efforts of team DSF and invited Masarrat Misbah along with her team to their morning show.

Canadian journalist interviewed Bushra Shafi, Shamim Akhtar, Sabra Sultana and Anum Shahzadi. The survivors shared their stories and discussed the pain and misery they had to go through after they had been burnt.

Masarrat Misbah President DSF spoke to a group of influentials at Rotary Club Lahore. She urged the positive forces to come forward and help stop this heinous crime. DSF survivors Shamim Akhtar, Bushra Shafi and Sabra Sultana accompanied her.

DSF survivors had been given a tribute on PTV. Behrooz Sabswari the host of *Shehr e Ramazan* applauded the efforts of Masarrat Misbah and requested the general public to come forward and help eradicate this heinous crime.

Express news arranged *Guloo ke iftari* at Depilex Smileagain head office Lahore. DSF survivors voiced their concerns about domestic violence in Pakistan and later in the show thoroughly enjoyed the *iftari*.

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As part of awareness campaign Depilex Smileagain held a talk at PECHS College Karachi. DSF survivors, Sabra Sultana, Maimoona and Tahira Basheer highlighted the domestic violence issue.

PTV invited team DSF on their program *Nusrat ke saath Iftari*. Masarrat Misbah and Junaid Seige participated in the show.

Hum TV paid tribute to DSF efforts and cause, Masarrat Misbah along with her team; Maimoona and Sabira Sultana made the appearance.

Omer Shariff invited Masarrat Misbah with her team to his show paid tribute to DSF cause.

DSF has done a fund raiser with TV 1 on Faisal Qureshi show. Masarrat Misbah with the renowned singer Junaid made the appearance on the program. DSF survivors Sabra Sultana, Maimmona and Tahira Bashir also accompanied her.

DSF did an awareness program with Waqt Channel on Nazia ka program. Waqt cahnnel applauded the efforts of Masarrat Misbah and paid tribute to the DSF survivors.

In Sialkot Ms Ghuman hosted a talk session followed by *iftari* for DSF survivors.

Intl Islamic University Islamabad held a talk session with Masarrat Misbah. DSF survivors accompanied the President. Masarrat spoke about the tragedy of acid attacks and the advocacy campaign by DSF.

OPERATIONS

Burnt victim Amana Tariq was operated at CMH Rawalpindi it was her 13th operation.

OPDs

Kanwal Yousuf went through her check up at Indus Hospital Karachi.

2 patients; Kanwal and Mamoonah were taken to a private clinic at Karachi as part of their routine check up.

4 Patients; kanwal qayyum, maimoona, Tahira, and Kanwal yosuf were taken to Health Care Hospital and checked up by an eye specialist.

DSF arranged an OPD at Jinnah Hospital Karachi where Eye specialists examined 5 patients; Moona, Maimoona, Tahira, Zareena, and Kanwal Yosuf.

DSF bears all the expenses of surgeries and also provides boarding and lodging to patients.

DSF organised an OPD at Indus Hospital, for check up of DSF patients Moona and Zareena.

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Hair transplant for Tahira is under progress, her check up was arranged at Indus Hospital.

Kanwal Qayyum went through her reconstructive surgery at Patel Hospital Karachi.

Dr Williams treated DSF survivors at Patel Hospital Karachi. Dr. Williams also visited Lahore, and operated DSF patients at Fatima Memorial Hospital. The following patients had been treated at Fatima Memorial

- o Sarwari (eye and neck)
- o Kanwal yosuf (eyes and nose)
- o Rabia Basri (eye)

OTHER ACTIVITIES:

Karachi victims can avail 50% discount at all branches of Depilex Beauty Clinic.

KFC organised a function for DSF survivors. Masarrat Misbah along with her team attended the ceremony and delivered a lecture about the plight and distress faced by burnt victims. She also urged the governing bodies to impose a stringent law for this ruthless crime.

Students from Fatimah Jinnah University completed their thesis on DSF survivors as their final year project.

It's time for celebration, DSF patient Asma got married

DSF patient Asma got married. We wish Asma the very best with her new life. DSF funded the wedding expenses in addition to her rehabilitation and reconstructive surgeries.

Rabia Batool makes a comeback to Life:

Rabia Batool, after going through numerous psychiatric sessions, multiple reconstructive surgeries and financial support arranged by DSF, has successfully made a comeback to life. Rabia is now a certified beautician by Depilex Beauty Institute. In Feb, 2011 she happily weds Touseef Rana. **DSF wishes them a happy and beautiful life.**

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DSF brave survivor passed nursing examination

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Maimoona, one of our brave survivors passed nursing examination. DSF has taken care of all the expenses of Maimoona's studies besides funding her complete medical treatment. Her fee for the course had been paid in advance to Indus hospital by DSF.

Lums University was invited Masarrat Misbah for a talk on violence against women. Students and staff appreciated the cause and assured their full support.

One more DSF survivor Amna Tariq completed her beauty course with Depilex Institute for Beauty.

Awareness talk was held at UCP University Lahore. Masarrat Misbah along with her team: Bushra, Amna, Saira and Sabra visited the University.

Masarrat Misbah visited London film festival, where DSF's documentary had been aired.