Celebration of the International Day for the Persons with Disabilities (PWDs)

Press Release:

Pakistan Disabled People's International (PDPI) and **Estanara Group** celebrated the International day of persons with disabilities on the 3rd of Dec 2014. A day before the team of Estanara Group and PDPI's President M. Mobin Uddin did a press conference at KARACHI PRESS CLUB to raise their voices for PWDs in Pakistan and left behind questions to the government/ Higher authorities about the need for reconstruction of policies and standards with the implementation of UNCRPD. They also announced for the celebration of the 3rd Dec 2014 with a Marathon and a launch of our motivational song "Hum Ek Hain" (We are one /united).



Celebration of the day started at **15:00** afternoon with a Marathon, M. Rehan Khan Senior Director sports, culture and recreation Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (K.M.C) attended the event as the Chief Guest and there was a legit participation of the public and private sector.

The energetic and enthusiastic (**PWDs**) participants took part in four types of races according to their nature of disability. The categories were:

- 1. Persons with Visually Impairment,
- 2. Persons with Hearing Impairment,
- 3. Persons with Physical Disability on Wheelchair and
- 4. Persons with Physical Disability on Crutches.

The participants were awarded shields and medal to their respective ranks the held on:

Persons with Visually Impairment Race:

 1^{st} position: Sher Ali Khan,

2nd position: Asad Khan and

3rd position: M. Wazeer

Persons with Hearing Impairment Race

1st position: Sami Ullah 2nd position: Umair Ahmed 3rd position: Junaid Ali Soomro

Persons with Physical Disability on Wheelchair Race 1st position: Maroof Baloch

2nd position: Asad Khan 3rd position: M. Ayub

Persons with Physical Disability on Crutches 1st position: M. Abrar 2nd position: Abdullah khan 3rd position: Haider Ali











During and between the races the participants were entertained by our creative team with music and songs played on Guitar. Hamza Ali was heading the team with his appreciable involvement throughout the event.



The Project Director Estanara M. Afzal Uddin was organizing the event and he served his best efforts to manage the entire event with his administrative skills.

M. Mobin Uddin shared his words on the incident took place in Lahore with PWDs protestors by Lahore Police, he condemned this act with and declare himself with the protestors with all his heart and soul to the media.



There was a Launch of our Motivation Video Song "Hum Ek Hain" which we have dedicated to the Society with a message that PWDs are equally the part of Society and how effectively they can contribute to the development of the country if they are treat fairly as they deserve. The song is available over internet at the link below:

http://vimeo.com/113470964

This was a combine effort of the Estanara Groups Executives:

- 1. Hamza Ali Singer and Director of the Video Song
- 2. M. Afzal Uddin Video Coordinator and
- 3. Bilal Ahmed Video Coordinator



There was also an arrangement of food for the participants and guests.

This was a proactive approach towards an Inclusive environment; the participants adored their presence and the elevation of their Rights.

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