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IIMSAM's "Gadara" Initiative in Jordan Continues with Its 5th Round, This Time Commemorating the Forthcoming 19 August United Nations World Humanitarian Day, Distributing Life-Line Food Items to 1,500 Underprivileged Persons in Deiban District, Madaba Governorate

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IIMSAM Secretary-General R. Maradona expressed his gratitude to the IIMSAM team, led by IIMSAM's Goodwill Ambassador in Jordan, Mr. Farej Omari, and the relevant Jordanian authorities and security departments, for their unprecedented synergy of cooperation. During these challenging times of COVID-19, the effort focused on ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being for people of all ages in remote regions of Jordan – in this case, Maleih-Remail and Alsafaran in Deiban District, Madaba Governorate, near the capital, Amman. Charitable boxes full of vital items were distributed to 1,500 underprivileged persons.

IIMSAM's "Gadara Initiative" Honours Jordan's Frontline Medical Corps Heroes from King's Hospital and Its Founder, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Al-Ghazou

Jordan, like the rest of the world, has been engaged in a historic battle to safeguard the lives of its citizens during the COVID-19 pandemic. In the meantime, IIMSAM's Goodwill Ambassador Farej Omari, who spearheads the ongoing Gadara Initiative Exo-Humanitarian Activities Programme, distributed certificates of appreciation and gifts as an expression of gratitude to the Medical Corps for their fortitude and commitment on the frontlines — unsung heroes led by the Director-General of the founding King's Hospital, Prof. Dr. Muhammad Al-Ghazou.

"These initiatives work to create a kind of familiarity and love and spread joy and pleasure, which motivates medical staff to increase productivity towards a healthy and safe environment for people." He further expressed appreciation to all institutions and individuals who contributed positively in service of the nation and donations to the hospital.

— Prof. Dr. Muhammad Al-Ghazou

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IIMSAM's “Gadara” Initiative Honours Jordan's “Workers of the Homeland” – Frontline Workers in the Battle Against the COVID-19 Pandemic Across Various Regions

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IIMSAM Secretary-General R. Maradona expressed his gratitude to the IIMSAM team, led by Goodwill Ambassador in Jordan Mr. Farej Omari, and the relevant Jordanian authorities and security departments, for their synergy of cooperation during the challenges of COVID-19 – in this case, in honor of Jordan's “Workers of the Homeland,” the frontline heroes, with several Jordanian government officials present, including Mr. Hussein Malkawi, Mayor of Khalid bin Al-Walid Municipality, and H.E. Dr. Omar Al-Zyoud, Director of the Al-Taiba Region, along with municipality members.

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“Nothing epitomizes this spirit of service more than the prodigious work carried out by the people on the frontlines, including army soldiers, health workers, civilians, and, last but not least, our field volunteer corps led by Ambassador Omari – including our own role-model Goodwill Ambassadors supporting the effort to battle COVID-19. Some of them have gone into the field in remote areas. They are putting their lives at risk to come to the aid of those most impacted by the coronavirus.”

— Secretary-General Remigio Maradona

IIMSAM's “Gadara” Initiative in Jordan Continues – Fourth Round of Exo-Humanitarian Activities Assisting the Needy Amid the COVID-19 World Crisis

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An imperative distribution of vital, lifesaving food items reached 2,000 persons in Alhamma, a remote area in northern Jordan adjacent to the Jordan River and close to the iconic Tabariya (Sea of Galilee) Lake. As part of the IIMSAM Gadara Initiative and in line with efforts to combat the COVID-19 pandemic world crisis, IIMSAM SG R. Maradona expressed his gratitude to the IIMSAM team, led by Goodwill Ambassador Mr. Farej Omari, and the pertinent Jordanian authorities and security departments, for their unprecedented synergy of cooperation during these challenging times.

DID YOU KNOW?

Jordan had been under total lockdown since 14 March. After just a few COVID-19 cases appeared around the country, the government took extraordinary measures, including implementing strict emergency laws. The Jordan Armed Forces and police were deployed to patrol the kingdom's streets, enforcing a strict curfew. The hardest-hit part of the country was the northern city of Irbid, Jordan's second most populous city.

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IIMSAM Launches an Extraordinaire Exo-Initiative, Second Phase, to Sanitize One of Jordan's Most Dramatic Antiquities and Touristic Regions: the Umm Qais Roman Antiquities Archaeological Site in Northern Jordan

As part of the IIMSAM Gadara Initiative and in line with efforts to combat the COVID-19 pandemic world crisis, IIMSAM SG R. Maradona expressed his gratitude to the IIMSAM team, led by Goodwill Ambassador Mr. Farej Omari, and the pertinent Jordanian authorities from the Irbid Governorate and security departments, for their unprecedented synergy of cooperation across both phases of the initiative.

Locations sanitized in the second phase included the Western Roman Theatre, Northern Roman Theatre, Cardo Maximus, water fountains, the Nymphaeum, the Roman Commercial Market, the Roman Cabin, the Roman cemetery, and the Roman swimming pools, among others.

IIMSAM's SG Remigio Maradona Extends His Support and Gratitude to IIMSAM's Most Prolific GWA During the COVID-19 Worldwide Crisis, Mr. Farej Omari, as He Delivers 500 Cartons of Imperative Food Items to Needy Families in Jordanian Governorates

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"I believe viruses can't survive where hearts have compassion."

“We're now over a month into one of the biggest changes we've faced as a population in recent memory. Change is constant in life; it comes on this quickly, and this dramatically, and feels a little like a punch to the gut. It's an unnerving, weird, and confusing time.”

“By now, these extraordinary circumstances create well-intentioned extraordinary opportunities to see human beings like Ambassador Mr. Farej Omari doing extraordinary humanitarian concrete deeds almost weekly – no doubt he has become IIMSAM's most prolific Ambassador, accounting for nearly 50% of the total tally of roughly 12,750 needy people across seven countries who have been recipients under the IIMSAM umbrella during the sorrowful COVID-19 pandemic spring of 2020.”

“As the Secretary-General of IIMSAM, I am proud of all our good Samaritan ambassadors who have gone the extra mile in these painful times. Through their continued and vital work, this humanitarian act comes during the holy month of Ramadan, when timely alimentation is crucial due to fasting.”

— Secretary-General Remigio Maradona

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IIMSAM Launches an Extraordinaire Exo-Initiative to Sanitize One of Jordan's Most Dramatic Antiquities and Touristic Regions: the Umm Qais Antiquities Archaeological Site, During the COVID-19 Worldwide Crisis

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IIMSAM's Goodwill Ambassador in Jordan, H.E. Mr. Farej Omari, led a team of volunteers to sanitize all of the archaeological and tourist facilities in the Umm Qais Antiquities Archaeological Zone in the far northern part of Jordan. The initiative was launched in unprecedented cooperation and coordination with Jordanian authorities from the Irbid Governorate and security departments.

DID YOU KNOW?

Gadara (modern Umm Qais or Qays), the ancient classical-period city and a member of the Decapolis (Greek: Ten Cities), is one of Jordan's most dramatic antiquities sites – both for its substantial ruins of black basalt and white limestone, and for its impressive setting overlooking the north Jordan Valley and the Sea of Galilee. The extensive site holds scores of standing and still-buried monuments covering several hectares. Jordan has submitted a petition to UNESCO's World Heritage Committee concerning the declaration of Umm Qais as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

IIMSAM's Exo-Humanitarian Activities Under the Gadara Initiative Provide Emergency Relief by Distributing Non-Allergenic, Gluten-Free Wheat to Celiac Sufferers, in Cooperation with Jordanian Police Authorities Across All Jordanian Governorates During the COVID-19 Crisis

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IIMSAM's Special Adviser, Mr. Farej Omari, commented for the IIMSAM Newsletter: "Despite the ongoing lockdown due to the COVID-19 crisis, the local police authorities in Jordanian Governorates have been accommodating during the distribution of 1,000 kilograms of special, non-allergenic flour. We continue our efforts in all the Governorates of Jordan under the IIMSAM umbrella / Gadara Initiative. I want to thank all our supporters who provided the footprints to actualize this imperative humanitarian activity during these difficult times – especially the IIMSAM IGO under the leadership of SG Maradona, and also my media colleague and friend, IIMSAM's Senior Media Director, Mr. Samir Al Neel, who introduced me to IIMSAM."

— Mr. Farej Omari, IIMSAM Special Adviser

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"IIMSAM's Special Adviser Mr. Farej Omari is a natural humanitarian who cares and wants to help in whatever form those in need require. Since joining IIMSAM, Mr. Omari has guided six humanitarian initiatives under the Gadara Initiative, which has contributed immensely to the number of people assisted from all walks of life in Jordan. I am honored to have Mr. Omari on our team, for he is a true humanitarian extraordinaire."

— Secretary-General Remigio Maradona

IIMSAM's “Gadara” Initiative in Jordan Continues, This Time in Support of 150 Families in Northern Jordan, by Distributing Bread

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IIMSAM's Gadara Initiative in Jordan distributed bread to 150 families in northern Jordan, aiming to support the Khalid Ibn Al Walid community during these challenging times of COVID-19. The distribution was carried out in cooperation with the Khalid Ibn Al Walid Municipality and police authorities, as the food distribution took place during curfew hours.

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Under the guidance of the initiative's founder and IIMSAM Goodwill Ambassador Mr. Farej Omari, a group of volunteers participated in this imperative Exo-Humanitarian activity for families in need during the tough times of COVID-19.

“I am so grateful to IIMSAM SG Remigio Maradona for giving me this opportunity to support IIMSAM, as well as the opportunity to perform these Exo-Humanitarian activities periodically under the Gadara Initiative for the needy across various sectors of Jordanian society, as we have already done for needy populations, refugees from Syria, people with special needs, and the elderly. And now, families in need during the times of COVID-19, which makes it difficult to deliver support to them.”

— Mr. Farej Omari, IIMSAM Goodwill Ambassador

IIMSAM Works with Concrete Deeds in Invigorating the Elderly in Irbid Governorate, Jordan

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IIMSAM's Jordan Initiative “Gadara” Supports People of Determination

As part of its humanitarian and social goals, the Gadara Initiative organized special activities for people (children) of Determination at the Amal Center in Lewwa Bani Kenana, Irbid Governorate of Jordan. Under the guidance of the initiative's founder and IIMSAM Adviser Mr. Farej Omari, a group of volunteers took part in welcoming the center's students with educational and entertainment activities. Appropriate gifts were given to the students, carefully chosen to match their needs.

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IIMSAM's Adviser in Jordan, Mr. Farej Omari, Launches the Gadara Initiative's Distribution of Lifesaving Items Under the IIMSAM Umbrella, in Support of UN Sustainable Development Goals 1 (End Poverty in All Its Forms Everywhere) and 2 (Zero Hunger)

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Mr. Farej Omari serves as a pro bono adviser to IIMSAM in Jordan and, as part of the Winter 2020 Campaign, launched the Gadara Initiative under the IIMSAM umbrella, distributing lifesaving food items, blankets, and other essential items to the needy population, families, and refugees from Syria, among others, in the Deir Al-Sa'nah area, Irbid Governorate, Jordan. The campaign supports IIMSAM's efforts to eradicate hunger and malnutrition, and its broader humanitarian efforts in Jordan.

"We previously honored outstanding students, among many other activities. I am so grateful to IIMSAM SG Remigio Maradona for giving me this opportunity to support IIMSAM's mandate toward a world free of malnutrition – the number one killer in the world, according to UNICEF."

— Mr. Farej Omari, IIMSAM Adviser

DID YOU KNOW?

As of 24 June 2019, the majority (81.8%) of refugees registered in Jordan with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) are non-camp refugees, living primarily in Amman, Irbid, Zarqa, and Mafrq.

Source: UNHCR

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