<u>on the occasion of the Handover Ceremony</u> on Friday, September 4th, 2015 at Hamdard Foundation in Karachi

Honorable Mrs Sadia Rashid, President of Hamdard Foundation

Honorable Mr. Hirofumi Nagao, Chief Executive Officer of PakSuzuki

Ladies and Gentlemen.

Assalam Alaikum.

It gives me a great pleasure to attend this Handover Ceremony for the <u>"The Project for Expanding and Strengthening Hamdard Free Mobile Dispensaries"</u> today.

I am pleased to see that the fabricated Hamdard Mobile Dispensaries are all equipped and ready to be deployed to different parts of Pakistan to serve the people who have no easy access to basic medical needs. The grant of about 72,500 US Dollars (approx – 7.3 million rupees) under "The Grant Assistance for Grassroots Human Security Projects" (GGP) covered the cost of 10 Mobile Dispensaries with basic equipment. It will help assist in increasing the fleet of Hamdard Mobile Dispensaries not only in Karachi but also in other parts of Pakistan.

Hamdard Foundation is a very renowned organization which has been contributing to improvement of health and welfare of the people in Pakistan since 1969. Mrs. Sadia Rashid, the President of Hamdard Foundation and also the President of Pakistan Japan Cultural Associations Sindh has been working relentlessly for the improvement of health and welfare of the under-privileged

segments of the society. I sincerely hope that this project will contribute to the

betterment of life of the people in Pakistan.

I would also like to thank Mr. Hirofumi Nagao, Chief Executive Officer of

PakSuzuki for their collaboration in the Project by providing 2 years extended

after sales service to the Mobile Dispensaries for free of charge. This project is

the first case of public-private partnership between the Consulate-General of

Japan in Karachi and Pak Suzuki Motor Company Limited.

Finally, I would like to conclude my remarks by saying that the assistance that

we are providing through this project is a token of friendship from the people

of Japan and Japan will continue to provide Pakistan with assistance in many

fields to further strengthen our friendly relationship.

Bahot Shukria.

Thank you very much.

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