



## Impressive health centre to come up in Thamrait

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SALALAH, Jan 29 – The healthcare in Dhofar Governorate got a boost with the signing of agreement between the Ministry of Health and Al Tasnim Group, which has decided to finance an impressive healthcare centre in Thamrait. Dr Khalid al Mushekhi, Director-General of Health Service in Dhofar, appreciated the noble initiative of Al Tasnim and said the project was under discussion for a long time and finally an agreement was signed after deciding all the factors and necessary approvals.

“The project was conceptualised in early 2017 when the Ministry of Health put forth a proposal for healthcare infrastructural development in Barbazoom. The health centre is going to be a state-of-the-art facility, fully equipped with the latest medical equipment and infrastructure,” he said.

The centre will have primary healthcare services including pharmacy, radiology, therapeutic examination clinic for men and women, immunisation clinic for children, maternity and childhood clinic, medical laboratory and other support services.

The agreement signing was presided over by Shaikh Musallam bin Ahmed al Hadri, Wali of Thamrait. The signatories to the agreement were Al Mushekhi,

DG Health Service Dhofar and Devaki Khimji, Managing Director of Tasnim Enterprises. Farrokh J Masani, Chief Operating Officer of Tasnim, was also present on the occasion.

Al Hadri hailed the CSR (corporate social responsibility) initiative of Tasnim and said that the centre was coming up in a very active area with the presence of a large number of residents. “It is also a region that connects Wilayat of Thamrait with other areas,” he said.

The initiative was steered by Devaki Khimji as a token of gesture towards building a healthier Sultanate. “It is our utmost pleasure to give back to the country that has given us so much. The decision to donate the centre and contribute to healthcare was a unanimous one as we all see it as our way of helping the citizens gain easier access to better healthcare,” she said and added that Al Tasnim would continue to focus on community welfare programmes in other areas such as education and skill training.

“We consider ourselves fortunate to be able to contribute to the cause of health in Oman and hope that this step will provide a valued inspiration to other private sector companies and encourage more social contributions in the Sultanate” she said.

The health centre is coming up on Salalah-Marmul-Muscat link road. The location is best suited as it not only serves the Barbazoom community, but is also easily accessible to the neighbouring areas. Al Tasnim Group has funded the centre to provide the latest medical equipment that will be able to optimally serve the immediate need of patients.

Farrokh J Masani expressed happiness over getting this opportunity to serve the community and said: “We are thankful to MoH, Thamrait Wali office and people of Barbazoom for giving us the opportunity and to do our bit in making quality healthcare accessible to all. The project is estimated to be completed in 12 months and we hope that this centre will eliminate the long-distance travel that the residents of the village have to endure and aid in saving precious lives”.

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