

## **USID reaches 11bn since 2009**

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“United States Humanitarian Assistance since 2009 Reaches \$1bn with a New Hospital in Bagh” the United States has helped Pakistan in anything this country needs to fix, build or rebuild, but unfortunately Pakistan’s situation is fast deteriorating. Whole country is at the mercy of Taliban. Poverty is endless; power outages make cities like ghost towns, strikes – Business shut down calls have brought economy and education to a halt. Minorities are lynched. Courts are being used for political victimization and extortion has spiked many folds. The following news make people wonder where did the money go? Either this money has enriched politicians or the lack of the evaluation, assessment or accountability by the US mission in Pakistan is seen as a soft target by the Pakistani politicians and their cronies:

- Health indicators project bleak future for Pakistani children
- Pakistan has the highest rate of first day deaths
- Hospital of last resort in Pakistan faces closure (Ref Daily Dawn, Feb 24, 14)
- Crippled: Don’t just blame the bullet, about inability of the government of Pakistan to fight against Polio return to Pakistan.
- Pakistan most terror-hit nation

This mammoth amount of money is also responsible of mushroom growth of NGO’s in Pakistan, mostly run by the friends and family members of the incumbents.

This is the time for the US government to intensify the efforts that the US tax payer’s money directly going to the people of Pakistan. As the U.S. has already strengthening the investigation and prosecution methods with Specialized Training to Build Skills of Female Prosecutors and Bridge Communications & Research - BCR Investigators, a whole lot still needs to be done. This is also important as Pakistan has a large number of high profile ghost murders, where suspects either hiding in the parliament or using political influence or spending time away from Pakistan.

This is the time for the world to let pay the politicians in Pakistan for the situation Pakistan is faced with.

It is suggested that all the departments and institutions which are the recipients of the USAID should appoint the people advised by the US-Pak joint advisory board with a condition of performance assessment.

Bridge Communications and Research – BCR had developed a tough questionnaire for the 2013 general elections in Pakistan. This questionnaire would have made almost 90% of Pakistani parliamentarians disqualified to contest elections.

- 1-Tax returns for past five years.
2. Ownership of assets. Self and immediate family members
3. International travel record and capital
4. Public service until now
5. Involvement in charity work and NGO links

6. Academic qualification
7. Profession – industry
8. What do you do for living?
9. How many immediate and distant family members are parliamentarians/ politicians/ bureaucrats/ serving armed forces and related to the media?
- 10- How many times you, your immediate and distant family members have gone abroad for health care and education?
11. Have you or your immediate family members have loans written off or allotted any property?
12. What steps have you taken to pull this country out of the current situation? 13. Have you ever been to jail?
14. How many immediate and distant family members been to jail or convicted? 15. How many times you have defied law?
16. Elections within the party
17. Name and evidence of the constituency where you have provided any service to people
18. Your party follows the democratic practical values or heredity and personality.
19. Are your leadership and family currently in Pakistan?
20. What steps you or your party has taken to pull this country out of the current situation?
21. Why did you not resign after mass killings, collapse of the institutions and failure of governance?
22. How many strikes have been observed yet on your party's call? How many people are killed and how much economic losses have occurred?
23. Do you publish a monthly newsletter about what you have delivered to your constituents?
24. What is the plan in place to stop killings, strikes, support economy, lower poverty and maintain rule of law?
25. What is the percentage of your presence in assembly sessions? How many questions, how many bills you have produced and the number of point of order you have raised?

Now something about the government of Pakistan's negotiation venture with Taliban. The United States has to play a very responsible and robust role to safeguard moderators, US interests and sympathisers in Pakistan. The radical's infiltration in Pakistan's security institutions is the recipe of another clear and present danger to this world. Since 2001, 40,000 Pakistani civilians have lost their lives in vain, leaving behind a destitute and hopeless generation. This generation is terrifically vulnerable to become suicidal and the growing number of suicidal attacks is a clear indication to that.