

## **President's Closing Speech at Donor Conference**

I would like to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude to the world community for rising to this occasion and helping Pakistan in this hour of need. I would like to reiterate what I had said earlier in my speech, my deep appreciation and gratitude to the world leaders, who backed me up , who backed Pakistan up for making this occasion of donor conference; a success. I am extremely grateful to the all delegates who are sitting around here; who have come from all parts of the world to show and prove that this world is a global village indeed and that we exist together and it is this joint committee of nations, it is a joint heritage of the mankind which really takes countries forward. Pakistan does realize that we need to be important member in the committee of nations to have position of respect in the world and therefore, let me assure this gathering that whatever, cooperation, understanding and assistances you have assured at this hour when Pakistan needs it; will never be forgotten. Let me also assure you that money you have pledged and you are giving it will be our utmost that it will be used in the most transparent manner at exactly the places that you would wanted to be used. We are determined that we will create this website which would be transparent and known to each one of you and hopefully you will know that exactly where your money is being put. Now I am extremely grateful to all of you but let me now take this occasion and address the Pakistanis, while you must have seen that the world community is with us to support our endeavours but as per the calculations the amount require for the entire reconstruction and rehabilitation is 5.2 billion dollar and when we take of need based strategy I know that we are going to spend 6 billion dollars now that is the shortfall which will be met through the government efforts and this is where I feel that people of Pakistan like Philanthropist, industrialist , business community and any body who can afford it needs to come forward, expatriate Pakistani who I know can contribute immensely and I know that have more patriotic zeal then the Pakistani living here will come forward in a big way. An idea has come to mind to hold a similar kind of the convention restricted to Pakistani here in this hall to how much generosity they can show their countrymen. So I hope and expect from the Pakistani that they will come forward and sponsor the packages that I have indicated in the education , health and even housing for people and that is how Inshallah we will meet the target of helping the earthquake affectees. I know with the resources available now, with the support of the international community, NGOs and with the zeal, patriotism and the determination of the people of Pakistan and by strategizing the whole issue by the government of Pakistan I have no doubts in my mind whatsoever that we will deliver and we will change the lives of the people in these earthquake affected areas and we will convert the challenge into an opportunity for helping the poor people of the areas Inshallah.