

Hospital for women, children inaugurated in Kandahar

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KANDAHAR CITY (PAN): An 80-bed hospital for women and children has been inaugurated after its construction with a cost of \$600,000 in southern Kandahar province, officials said on Wednesday.

The hospital equipped with modern equipments has been constructed in half an acre of land in Ansari Mena area of the capital city. Abdul Baqi Haqqani director of the hospital said the hospital was constructed with support of Japanese government, his personal support and with the support of some other NGOs in the city.

This is the first hospital providing round the clock services for women and children in the province and all doctors of the hospital will be female, he said during the inaugural ceremony participated by members of Provincial Council and some tribal elders.

Expressing happiness about the hospital Provincial Council chief Ahmad Wali Karzai told Pajhwok Afghan News it was a long time demand of the people of the province to have a special hospital for women and children.

Although other private hospitals also provide health service for residents, but it is the first time that the volatile province has a special hospital for women and children that will also provide health service only through female doctors.

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