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**D**r. Nasser bin Ibrahim Al-Rashid was born in 1929 at the Saudi Arabian Embassy premises in Damascus, Syria, where his grandfather, Rashid Al-Lailaa, was the Commissioner of King Abdulaziz to Syria and Lebanon. Dr Nasser joined primary the school in Hael, then moved to Madina, and then to Damascus until he completed his secondary education in Lebanon in 1960.

In 1961, he joined Texas University (Austen), where he obtained the Bachelor Degree earlier in 1965. He worked in the Faculty of Petroleum and Minerals as a assistant professor, where he pursued his studies and obtained PhD at the beginning of 1970.

During his post graduate studies, he managed to develop an electronic gauge to measure the velocity and weight of the vehicles during movement at speed of 50-80 km per hour. He also developed the underlying mathematic theories thereof. The gauge is used in most world countries. He made significant contributions during his studies and was elected as a honorary member in six associations in the United States of America.

### His Career

He worked in the Petroleum University as an associate professor in Civil Engineering, then as a dean of the Faculty of Engineering Science and Applied Engineering and Administrative Affairs, in addition to his supervisory reasonability in relation to the university campus. He established Rashid Engineering Firm in 29/05/1972. The late King Khalid bin Abdulaziz entrusted him with the design and supervision of some special projects. He started working as an engineering consultant of the King

Khalid, Prince Fahad, and the Royal Divan, in 1977.

Rashid Engineering designed and supervised all the compounds and complexes of the Royal Divan, conference centers, some hospitals and schools, in his capacity as the consultant of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Fahad bin Abdulaziz, may Allah have mercy on him. He has continued the same task with the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz owing to his reliability.

Al Rasheed Engineering office has carried out the design works for all the Royal Bureau, Conference Centers, some hospitals and schools as the consultant engineer for the Custodian of the two Holy Mosques.

His Excellency, Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid describes this stage saying: "when King Abdulaziz assigned the design and implementation of the Khazan (water reservoir) Project to me, I was not interested in the contracting field. I wanted to confine my activity to engineering studies. Therefore, I looked for a dependable person to do the job. The late, Rafeeq Al-Hariri was introduced to me through Mr. Amin Hejazi, who was his partner in some simple construction projects (Hijazi was a relative of Hariri, and a fellow of us in Texas University). We agreed to establish together, as a team, the Rashid Engineering Firm, and to design, implement and manage

the project. We approached an Italian company to implement the project in cooperation with Hariri. After that, we got the project of Massara Hotel in Taef. The relationship between Hariri and the French Company, Auger, developed to establish a Saudi company, under the Foreign Capital Investment Act. The ties between them further developed, where Hariri acquired 100% of the French company, which became Saudi Auger.

### His works

Dr. Nasser authored three works in English about King Fahad, Gulf War, and Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

### Awards

- In early 1980s, he was awarded the Legion of Honor by the French President, François Mitterrand, Madina Award for the Holy Quraan Design in 1997, the Hael Humanitarian Business Prize in 1998, and Prince Mohammed bin Fahad Prize for Charities in 2001.
- In 2002, he was awarded a higher grade of the Legion of Honor by the French President.
- In 2004, he received the presidential decoration from the South Korean President Roh Moo-hyun.
- In 2004, he obtained the Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Riyadh Award for Health Care and Social Service.
- He obtained the Handicapped Children Society Prize for Humanitarian Service in its fifth session 1422-1427H.
- In 1980, he won the title of the distinguished graduate of Faculty of Engineering, Texas University, in 1980.
- He was chosen by Texas University, as the outstanding graduate of the





*King Fahad Tumors Center*

## *History of King Fahad Tumors Center construction*

University for 1990 form among 6000 graduates. This honor is given usually to heads of state, presidents of companies, and ministers. He was honored together with the United States Secretary of State, James Baker. He was the second person from the Middle East who obtained this title after the late, Abdullah Al-Tariqi.

### **Membership in Boards of Directors**

He is a member in several boards of directors of several companies and international institutions. In addition, he is a member in the board of directors of the Riyadh Equitation Club, and he is a member in the Board of Trustees of Princess Anoud bin Abdulaziz bin Mesaed bin Galawi' Charitable Society.

He is a former member in the board of directors of Handicapped Children Society,

He is a honorary member in Al-Ber Society in Jeddah

He is a member in the Board of Trustees of Arabic Thought Foundation.

He is one of the founders of the Prince Salman Academy for Disability Research.

He is a former member in the Board of Directors of Arab Bank – Amman.

He is a member in the Board of Directors of InvestCorp – Bahrain.

He is a member in the Engineering Council of Texas University

He is a member in the Supreme Council for Texas University Development

King Fahad Center for Tumors is considered the second world center in treating tumors, and researches related to children with tumors.

He is a founding member of Asir Press and Publication Corporation, which publishes Al-Watan newspaper

### **His Interests and Family**

Dr Nasser's favorite hobbies are walking and listening to books recorded on audio tapes during

walking. He travels a lot to keep in touch with his sons and daughters living in the United States of America and Europe. He is married with six sons: Fahad, Ramzy, Ibrahim, Salman, Moahmed and Yousif; and and three daughter: Norah, Modi, and Sarah.

### **The reality of the Establishment of King Fahad Center for Tumor and Children Cancer**

Dr. Nasser bin Ibrahim Al-Rashid Establish established at his own expense, King Fahad Center for Tumor and Children Cancer, and assumed the costs of its expansion, amounting to more than 470 million Saudi riyals. This center, which is specialized in research and treatment of the children with cancer, is the second one in the world in this field. In addition, he donated an amount of 23 million Saudi riyals, the costs of the establishment of the new extension of the center, which is planned to complete by the end of 1427H.

This center, which was named "King Fahad Center for Tumors and Research Center", is considered the second one in its type in the world after Saint Good center. The number of the cases treated by the center exceeded 8000 with a success percent



Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed explaining King Fahad Tumors Center project

## Dr. Nasser I. Al-Rasheed Orphan Care Center – Hail

of more than 70%, thanks to Allah.

His son, Fahad, completed his secondary and university studies in the United States and he is now a successful businessman and a member in the Board of directors of world Saint Good Center.

Dr. Nasser narrates the story of the establishment of King Fahad Center for Tumors, saying: “in March 1980, some disease symptoms appeared on my son, Fahad, when he was only three years old. Examinations showed that he had leukemia. Searching for children cancer treatment places; we found the Saint Good Center in Memphis, Tennessee, USA, is the best in this area. He moved with the family to there, where the treatment started in the center at the hands of one of the physicians who developed special researches on blood diseases. The first phase of the treatment continued for six weeks of intensive treatment.

During my stay with my beloved son, I had the idea of establishing a similar center in Riyadh. The planning for the project started with the specialists, who worked in the establishment of Saint Good, to benefit from their experiences. The costs of the project studies amounted to some millions of US dollars.

I believed that the more we proceed in the project planning, the more Allah will cure my son, until we reached the decisive day, which was scheduled for examining whether he responded to the medication or not. It was at the time in the laboratory waiting for the results behind glass

The incomparable support to the Custodian of the two Holy Mosques King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz to give the incapable and orphans their right of honorable life in society, and it was a great benevolence that he donated a piece of land for constructing Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed Center for Orphan Care in Hail.

window, when Professor Gary Dale, the physician who developed the medicine, indicated, from the other side of the window that he responded. I thanked Allah, the Almighty, for my son's recovery.

We completed the studies and I returned back to the Kingdom. I had to take the permission of King Fahad, who followed, himself, the case of my son, to establish the project. I was very happy with of the idea of the project. When he learnt that I chose Riyadh for the project, he said: “go to Prince Salman and choose the proper location. If the location chosen is stated-owned, I will give to you, and if it is not state-owned, I will buy it and give it to you.” The suitable place was found with the assistance of the Secretary of Riyadh City, at the time, Mr. Abdullah Al-Ali Al-Naeem, and under the direct and continuous supervision and follow-up on the part of His Royal Highness price Salman bin Abdulaziz, may Allah protect and reward him best..

The area, 150,000 square meters, was evacuated. I noted that there was another adjacent plot of more than 100,00 square meters allocated for National Guard. I approached the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz, may Allah support him, to assign the plot for the future expansion of the project. He, may Allah preserve him, agreed to the application and the area was evacuated for the benefit of the project. Immediately after the recovery of my son and his return to the Kingdom, we started the implementation the project.





*Dr. Nasser Al-Rasheed during signing the contract with the executive company. Behind him is his right arm, his brother Shaikh Saleh Al Rasheed*

## Dr. Nasser Ibrahim Al-Rashid Center for Orphans Care in Hael

Realizing the importance of the social part for the human development and for the benefit of the society, Dr. Nasser Ibrahim Al-Rashid included in his projects the care of the orphans and other needy segments of the society, as set out below in some detail:

### 1. Orphans

When Dr. Nasser Ibrahim Al-Rashid learnt that the male orphans of Hael were living in a humble building, and the female orphans were being sent to Qassim, outside Hael region, he decided to establish a huge building for male and female orphans, using the state of the art technologies in the world.

After the approval of Hael Municipality of the land donated by the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz, some time before. The proper location was selected and Rashid Engineering Firm made the required design in coordination with the Ministry of Social Affairs, whose minister, Abdul Mohsin Al-Akkas, welcomed the vital project, which is largest, in terms of area and equipment in all cities of the Kingdom. The project components were developed in cooperation with

the ministry to be best orphan house in the world in terms of design.

The project is located in the Western Montazah District, south of King Fahad Road, in Hael. This project is constructed on an area of 20,154 square meters, and the total area of its buildings is 12507 square meters, accommodating 176 orphans. The project was designed to meet the functional, environmental, cultural, urban and architectural

Great efforts and care to apply the latest technologies in the designs of Al Rashid Engineering office in the various projects and works assigned to them.

requirements in addition to the social considerations. The design took into account the flexibility required to allow the future expansion and the deployment of air-conditioning and lighting systems the support the changes and additions which may be introduced to the project in the

future. It consists of several buildings, constructed of reinforced concrete, including a principal building for the residence of the orphans and their supervisors, buildings for the administration and family housing in addition to the staff housing building, warehouses and guard centers.

### Principal Building

It is made of three floors: ground, first and second, in addition to a basement made of reinforced concrete. The building is divided into two sections; one for the boys and the other is for the girls. Each section accommodates 66 beds, in addition to the villas. Each section includes the following: a ground floor, including the main entrance, a waiting area for the guests, a dining hall accommodating more than 80 people, a vast library provided with computers and the latest books, a mosque and two administration rooms. The building was provided with two rooms for the patients' isolation, a pharmacy, change room and a bathroom for each section, in addition a bed room for the supervisor and a suite for the newborns, accommodating eight beds and a nurse. The building also includes six bedrooms containing three beds and a bathroom each, 4 suites including a three beds bedroom, a reception area, fitting room, and a bathroom. The ground floor contains 20 beds for each section in addition to a main joint kitchen for the service of



*Dr. Nasser Al-Rasheed with his son Mohammed*

the two sections and stairs and lift to the upper floors.

Between the two sections, there is a one storey building for sports and other activities, such as drawing and reading, including a room for watching TV. This building was set up for the orphans up to 12 years old only.

**First Floor:** each section includes a hall for multipurpose cultural activities and another for sports activities (gym), containing various equipment for exercises and a seating area for the mates of this floor in addition to a computer room containing many modern systems, a bed room with a bath for the supervisor, 8 bedrooms 3 beds each and a guest reception area in the same floor with a cloth change and service room and bathroom in each room. It also includes a washing basins and WCs. The total number of the beds of this floor, which is allocated for the orphans aged 12-18 years, is 26 for each section.

**Second Floor:** each sections includes two offices and a main bedroom with a bathroom for the supervisor, three bedrooms 2 beds each with cloths and bathroom in each room. Each one of these rooms, which are allocated for the supervisory panel, includes an external terrace, service room, WC and a warehouse. This floor was prepared for the supervisory panel to rest during their stay and supervision of the orphans.

**Basement:** each section includes a multipurpose hall for parties, lectures, seminars, and meetings, accommodating about 100 people, in addition to a central washing area, an office, WCs and warehouses.

## 2. Family Building

This building is composed of two floors, made of reinforced concrete, including 4 adjacent units, accommodating 44 orphans. These

Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed is working hard with the concerned officers to attract professionals in orphan care to be able to provide the family warm life to become effective individuals in society.

units are used by the residents of the center, to form social families consisting of the older sister and her brothers and sisters to lead normal social life during their stay in the center and after their leave. The ground floor in each unit

## Residence

includes an entrance lobby, reception room, dinning room, kitchen, WC, bathroom, one main bedroom with a bathroom and another bedroom with a bathroom. The first floor includes 4 bedrooms and two bathrooms and a warehouse.

## 3. Staff Residence

It consists of a ground floor made of reinforced concrete, including entrance, reception area, dinning area, 8 bedrooms and a joint bathroom for each two bedrooms, in addition to one kitchen and WCs.

## 4. Two Buildings for Administration Staff

One of these two buildings is for women and the other is for men. Each building consists of two floors: the ground floor, which is made of reinforced concrete, including an entrance, main lobby, meeting room, four offices for social psychological and affairs, one office for accounting, one room for the cashier, another office with a warehouse, service room and WCs.

## 5. Warehouses

Warehouses consist of two buildings, including a ground floor made of reinforced concrete. One of the two buildings contains three different stockrooms and a bedroom for the guard with services and bathroom,





*Dr. Nasser Al-Rasheed Eye Center*

## *Summary of some charity works of Dr. Nasser Al-Rasheed*

another office with bathroom and service room. The other building includes three different stockrooms.

### 6. Flat for the Guard

It is composed of a ground floor made of reinforced concrete, containing entrance, reception/dinning area, two bedrooms, common bathroom and kitchen.

### 7. Swimming Pool

It is composed of a ground floor made of reinforced concrete, containing a swimming pool (22x7m). It is located between the section of the boys and that of the girls. Its depth is gradual to suit all ages. The also includes a service room for the snacks (cafeteria), bathrooms, clothes cabinets, seats and supervisor's office. This pool allows the orphans, males and females, to spend exciting time therein.

### 8. Main Guard House

It is composed of a ground floor made of reinforced concrete, containing a panoramic hall for the guards, a bedroom with a bathroom, telephone coeternal room and service room.

### 9. Other facilities

- Basket ball court, which is used also for volleyball and handball.
- Greenhouses.
- Sheds for poultry and birds.

d. Playgrounds for children, green spaces, gardens and pedestrian corridors.

e. Power plant (SCECO)

f. Parting area, fences, external lights and gates.

Speaking about this project, Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid said: "I would like to indicate that this project was a dream several years ago. As usual in such charitable matters, I involve my sons

Little are those who dedicated their fortunes to the service of their nations, and Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed is considered one of the key Saudi nationals who exerted money and effort for the good of this nation.

and daughters the charities I think of carrying out for the sake of Allah, the Almighty. I found them enthusiastic and encouraging, thanks to Allah. I can not forget what was said by one of my sons, Mohamed, 18 years old. He said: "you in such works take what Allah gave you in this world to

your hereafter." I said to him: "thanks are to Allah, the Almighty, who let me hear from you what was going on in my mind." This was the beginning of the project. In order to launch this charitable project, I had to take the permission of our King, the Custodian of the two Holy Mosques, Abdullah bin Abdulaziz, who identified with his honest Crown Prince, may Allah protect them both, the ways of good deeds and paved them for any one who like to do. This project is only a step on these ways. Those orphans, are our brothers and sons, like any other people, work hard, faithfully and honestly for the service and improvement of our homeland, under the great Islamic flag and under their wise leadership.

In made this project only for the sake of Allah, the Almighty. This is the minimum duty that can be done by any citizen, who lived in Hael and loved his homeland, his region, his people and every particle of the soil of his beloved Kingdom.

The people of Hael and its neighboring areas recognize the orphans' need for this project. It is to be noted here that the designs of the project were made according to high standards to resist the time factors and to facilitate maintenance works. In addition, I was careful to have a model center for the orphans, where its staff can bring up the beneficiaries in conformity with the moral and Islamic requirements.



*Building of Prince Salman Handicapped Children Center at Hail*

With Allah's help, I will do my best with the center staff to attract specialists in orphans' care to create the proper climate, where the orphan can feel that he is among his family and he is at his normal home, thus goes out as an effective member in the society without any feeling or sense of disadvantage.

While I thank Allah, the Almighty for His several graces, the greatest of which is Islam and the wise leadership since these good territories were unified. I would like to make sure that I would remain a plant in this large country, seeking to do any good for the orphans as a son, brother and father, following suit of our leaders.

I call on my self and may fellow businessmen and good lovers to exert and give more, covertly or overtly, without any harm, in compliance with Allah's saying:

"Those who spend their wealth in the cause of Allah, and do not follow up their gifts with reminders of their generosity or with injury, their reward is with their Lord. On them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve."

We ask Allah, the Almighty to compensate Abu Fahad much for his good deeds.

### Summary of Some Charitable Activities of Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid

Very few businessmen devote their

wealth for the benefit of their villages, towns, cities and country, to benefit their bothers and people. Dr. Nasser is one of the most prominent Saudi Arabian businessmen who devoted their moneys for such noble goals and his good deeds, which he does only for the sake of Allah and his country, in gratitude for the graces granted to him by Allah, the Almighty in appreciation for the care he received from the leaders of this country, may Allah protect them.

*Calls of HRH Prince Salman bin Abdulaziz for establishing houses for the incapable have found an echo with Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed, in support of benevolent work.*

Hael region, the land of his fathers and granddames, received many charities that benefited its people, who thanked Allah and him for them.

Dr. Nasser provided charities in different fields, including religious, medical, educational, social and sports

areas. Following, we will present some of these fields, through some works implemented by him in all parts of the Kingdom out of his own benevolent donations.

### The Religious Field

The religious area has been paid a special attention by Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid in his donations, including what he provided in the holy month of Ramadan 1421H, when he established a women house for Quraan teaching society in Hael in addition to a minibus to transfer students to and from the society. In 1423H, he donated the costs of the establishment of Mohamed bin Nasser Rashid Center for Quraan teaching and memorization at the building of the Teachers College in Hael, which was inaugurated by His Royal Highness, Prince Saudi bin Abdul Mohsin. The cost of this center, which was built on an area of 240 square meters and was completed within 8 month, amounted to 425 thousand riyals. It contains two halls, each of them is 100 square meters, a stockroom and two labs provides services to 25 students each and are provided with all necessary audio and recording equipment.

### Mosques

For more than twenty five years, Dr. Nasser has built and constructed the houses of Allah within and outside





*Other façade of the orphan center in Hail*

the Kingdom. In 1420H, he launched the one hundred mosques project in Hael region, which was completed, furnished and handed over. In addition, he built many other mosques in the various parts of the Kingdom.

Dr. Nasser bin Ibrahim Al-Rashid has recently adopted a plan for the establishment of ten mosques in the villages of Hael region in the name of the late Rafiq Al-Hariri, former Lebanese prime minister, may Allah have mercy on him, for his prominent role in the service of humanity and storing friendship between them.

### Cemeteries

In Rajab 1427H, Dr Nasser bin Ibrahim Al-Rashid donated a number of vehicles for dead transfer for the main Sedian cemetery in Hael. These vehicles were provided with latest equipment to facilitate the dead transfer.

Dr. Nasser started the procedures of the rehabilitation and preparation and modernization of the Sedian Cemetery Washhouse to be able to receive the dead and provide washing, reception and transport services.

### Cultural and Education Field

Dr Nasser bin Ibrahim Al-Rashid donated forty million (40,000,000) riyals for the establishment of one of the major buildings of King Faisal

University, which is still under construction, and more than two million (2,000,000) riyals for the establishment of one of the main buildings of King Fahad National Library in Riyadh, through providing the design and supervision services for free. He also provided the costs of the establishment of women job qualification building in Prince Sultan Qualification Center in Dammam.

Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed Eye Center in Hail provided the local people with professional medical services that saved their travel to Riyadh to obtain.

In addition, he financially supported the establishment of the permanent headquarters of the King Abdulaziz and His Companions Foundations for the Gifted. Dr. Nasser is a member in the Board of Trustees of the Arab Though Foundation and is one of the founders of Asir Press and Publication Corporation, which publishes Al-Watan newspaper.

### A. Handicapped Children Center in Hael

Recognizing the needs of the sons of Hael, who were born with or sustained handicaps, and responding to the invitations of Prince Sultan bin Salman, Chairman of Handicapped Children Society, to establish houses for the handicapped children in all parts of the Kingdom to support it in its noble humanitarian mission, Dr. Nasser donated an amount of twelve million and five hundred thousand (12,500,000) riyals for the establishment of the sixth center of the society in the Kingdom.. The foundation stone of this center was placed by His Royal Highness Prince Sultan bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Crown Prince and Deputy Premier, Minister of Defense and Aviation and Inspector General, during his recent visit to Hael, to be a charitable specialized center, providing comprehensive care services fro tens of handicapped children.

Dr. Nasser expressed his desire to give the new center the name of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Abdul Aziz, the governor of Riyadh, in appreciation for his efforts in the development and support of philanthropy programs, his adoption of the handicapped issues in general, and his considerable endeavors which lasted for more than 20 years in the establishment and support of the





*King Abdulaziz International Center , one of the projects executed by Al-Rasheed Engineering Office to the state*

Handicapped Children Society and Prince Salman Center for Disability Research.

### B. Supporting Step

At another time, His Royal Highness Prince Sultan bin Salman bin Abdulaziz, received the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Handicapped Children Society, Sheikh Saleh bin Ibrahim Al-Rashid and the General Manager of Rashid Engineering Firm who submitted to him a cheque of 400 thousand riyals, as a donation, for the Hael Oasis Endowment building, which will be set up by the Society for the services of its new center in Hael. Prince Sultan bin Salman expressed his thanks and appreciations for the endowment project, which has been founded recently, saying that the donation is a unprecedented initiative as the amount is the value of a vanity mobile number owned by Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid's son, who assigned in exchange for this amount, which was earmarked for the endowment.

### C. Other Social Activities

The philanthropic activities of Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid have not been confined to a certain limit or a particular area, but it covered different types and various aspects, including, without limitation:

- He provided an amount of three million (3,000,000) Saudi

riyals in support of King Abdullah Ibn Abdulaziz Foundation for His Parents;

- He assumed the costs of the providing water and electricity utilities to some villages in Hael;
- He continuously provides support to Al-Wafa Health Residence project in Riyadh, including foods and maintenance;

The love and care of Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed for the people of his country sourced from his deep faith in Allah and from the methodology of the rational government on which he moves.

- He supported Prince Salman bin Abdulaziz Charitable Housing Project in Riyadh throughout its four phases;
- He supported Prince Salman Social Center for the Aged in Riyadh, in 1992.
- He supported the Handicapped Children Society in Al-Jouf;

- He supported the Handicapped Children Society in Jeddah;
- He supported Prince Mohamed bin Fahad bin Abdulaziz Housing Project in Eastern Province;
- He donated to Al-Nada Center for Social Care, which was established at the expense of Sheikh Mohamed Abdulatif Jameel;
- His support of the first, second and third traffic security awareness campaigns in 2001, 2002 and 2003, respectively;
- He provided one million (1,000,000) Saudi riyals for Al-Ber Society in the Eastern Province (Princess Jawaher's Center for Benevolence Candles);
- He supported the national campaign for water and electricity rationalization;
- He provided three million (3,000,000) Saudi riyals for the Care and Treatment Fund of Prince Sultan bin Abdulaziz Charity Foundation patients in Riyadh; and

- He supported the Down Syndrome Charity Association (DSCA) with an amount of two million (2,000,000) Saudi riyals.

In addition, he supported the Household Health Society in Riyadh, which is interested in providing care to the patients who can afford the treatment costs outside their homes.





*HE Dr. Nasser Al-Rasheed with his sons Mohammed & Al Sayed at one of the social events*

This society is sponsored by the wife of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques.

Furthermore, Dr. Nasser is currently in the process of purchasing an adjacent building for this society, after he learnt of its need to expand. He allocated the required amount for the purchase as well as the costs of its premises restoration.

Dr Nasser has always responded to the public events and plights inflicting his Arab and Muslim brothers, such as the war of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Turkey and Pakistan earthquakes, Tsunami victims in Southeast Asia, the sunk ship disaster in Egypt and the victims of the Israeli aggression against Lebanon as he provided more than fifteen million (15,000,000) Saudi riyals in this field during the last two years only.

### **B. Dr. Nasser Rashid Ophthalmic Center in Hael**

Out of his love of his people and country, Dr. Nasser felt the need of sons of Hael and neighboring areas for an ophthalmic hospital, taking into account the long waiting list at King Khalid Ophthalmic Hospital. He obtained the approval to build

and equip an ophthalmic hospital in Hael after presenting his initiative to the former health minister, Dr. Ghazi Al-Quseibi who agreed to and supported the idea, which became a reality. The project was established at Dr. Nasser's own expense on an area of 2000 square meters, and it was completed in 1986.

The costs for construction and furnishing Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed Eye Center in Hail were 22 million Riyals, in addition to equipping it with the latest systems.

This medical edifice saves the long time the Hael people spend in traveling to Riyadh to get the specialized medical care in King Khalid Ophthalmic Hospital, after it has become a small specialized hospital carrying out the one day operations, making it easy for the people there

to get the medical services in an outpatient-like clinic, and relieving the pressure on King Khalid Ophthalmic Hospital in Riyadh.

Once Prince Saudi bin Abdul Mohsin, Governor of Hael Region, had learned that the hospital could not open as planned in 1421H, he ordered to open it immediately, and the Ophthalmic Department in Hael General Hospital was transferred to it within three weeks, and it was prepared to include six clinics, namely: examination, optics, scanning, laser treatment, cable laser and eye bottom scanning clinics.

The costs of the construction, furnishing and equipment of this hospital amounted to 22 million riyals. Dr. Nasser provided the complete maintenance and restoration as well as the furniture of the hospital, which had remained abandoned for two decades after its initial furnishing, without benefiting from its previous equipment and facilities which became outdated and unusable after this long time of negligence.

Mr. Bandar Al-Serikh, the Director of the Hospital, which was named by the Ministry of Health as "Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid Ophthalmic Hospital" in appreciation for his efforts, said





*Drawing of Prince Salman Handicapped Children Center at Hail*

that the hospital treats more than 70 cases coming from Hael and the neighboring areas such as Arar, Jouf and Quayat, on a daily basis, adding that the hospital conducts the one day operations, while it has a well equipped operation room , which has not been used for major operations.

He said also that the hospital refers 5 – 6 cases a week to Hael General Hospital for cataract operations and 5 – 6 patients to King Khalid Ophthalmic Hospital in Riyadh for sight modification and laser operations.

Dr. Nasser later donated an area 200 square meters, located in front of the hospital, for any future extension. In Ragab 1427H, Dr. Nasser voluntarily purchased the state of the art medical equipment for the specialized ophthalmic clinics in addition to other modern equipment and systems for Dr. Nasser bin Ibrahim Rashid Ophthalmic Center, affiliated to the Health Affairs Department in Hael. The cost of these equipment amounts to some three million (3,000,000) riyals.

Furthermore, a contract for the restoration, development and extension of the center was entered into with one of the national establishment, for an amount of three million (3,000,000) riyals.

## Dialysis

Recognizing the need of the people of the region for a dialysis unit, due to the severe shortage in the public hospitals, Dr. Nasser bin Ibrahim Al-Rashid donated the costs of the restoration and preparation a dialysis unit for men and another one for

Dr. Nasser Al Rasheed gives great care and support to the people of his nation, particularly his area, Hail, with all his love to his beloved country.

women, in King Khalid Hospital in Hael. In addition, he purchased more than one hundred dialysis systems at different times, the last of which was in Moharram 1427H, when he purchased a number of addition dialysis systems for the Health Affairs

Department in Hael, amounting to more than ten million riyals.

## Sports Filed

Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid paid the people of Hael his attention, love and support. He provides several annual contributions to the Jabalain Club, and to Al-Ta'I Club many donations, especially if it participates in any Arab or Asian completion.

He also provided kind gifts such as cloths and buses to several clubs in Hael such as Jeba Club. In addition, he extends cash donations, to help them carry out their sport role.

He provided aids to many other Saudi Arabian clubs besides his interest in horsemanship, being a member in board of directors of its federation. Furthermore, he financially supported Saudi Arabian Athletic Federation and Saudi Arabian Equitation Federation in several occasions.

The love Dr. Nasser Al-Rashid give to the people of his homeland is constant and continuous, and is driven by his belief in Allah, the Almighty and by the approach adopted by our wise government, which he follows suit, may Allah compensat

