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THE NGDS PILOT PROJECT

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Dear Parent, Quote this reference in future correspondence NGDS-KHI-SCH-2016-______ (fill in GR No. here)

A team of University of Karachi headed by Prof. Dr. Syed Arif Kamal has undertaken the NGDS Pilot Project to establish "National Growth and Developmental Standards for the Pakistani Children" [URL: http://ngds-ku.org • e-mail: profdrakamal@gmail.com • paper mail: The NGDS Pilot Project, PO Box 8423, University of Karachi, Karachi 75270 • telephone: +92 21 9926 1300-15 ext. 2293] under the directives of GOVERNOR SINDH/CHANCELLOR, UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI — a goodwill and a public-service endeavor conducted for the care and the development of young persons to prepare them mentally, physically and emotionally for rewarding careers in the civil and the military services. This project has been conducted successfully since 1998 — over 3000 students measured and methods developed to determine detailed growth-and-obesity roadmaps. In this connection, periodic measurements of height and weight of boys and girls shall be taken. A general check up shall also be conducted to rule out factors affecting growth. You will receive a detailed growth-and-obesity profile http://www.ngds-ku.org/Articles/A28.pdf of each participating student, tall or stunted, obese or wasted, optimal weight-for-height, estimated-adult height, with month-wise recommendations to pickup height and reduce/gain weight — http://www.ngds-ku.org/Presentations/Vector.pdf

The data obtained may be reported in research papers in collective form. The Project Website has photographs of procedures and reading material. All records shall remain confidential. Abnormalities detected shall be communicated to the School Health Service. As per international standards (as well as those of the Armed Forces of Pakistan), the students shall be checked the Dress Code 0/0.5 — see *Manual for Anthropometric Measurements* http://www.ngds-ku.org/ngds_folder/M02.pdf for explanation.

The Project Director, Prof. Dr. Syed Arif Kamal, PhD (Mathematical Neuroscience), Director, SF-Growth-and-Imaging Laboratory, Chairman, Department of Health, Physical Education and Sports Sciences, Dean, Faculty of Science, Acting Vice Chancellor, University of Karachi, Visiting Faculty, the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, NY, United States, a graduate of the Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD, United States, with over 35-year experience, is author of more than 170 research papers. He modeled growth of children, the human brain, the human spinal column and the human heart. In addition, he used moiré techniques to detect, document and quantify scoliosis (a body-disfiguring condition detectable around the age of eight years) as well as study of posture and gait of children. He implemented moiré systems at Malmö General Hospital, Malmö, Sweden, and JW Riley Hospital for Children, Indianapolis, IN, United States. He has lectured on moiré techniques at Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, United States. Further, he trained master anthropometrists of TAWANA PAKISTAN through Department of Pediatrics, the Aga Khan University Medical College, as well as faculty and students of Department of Special Education, University of Karachi.

Kindly, fill in the following and send back filled and signed slip on the next working day. Date(s) of check up and instructions shall be communicated to the student, once the school receives this information. This form may be downloaded from http://www.ngds-ku.org/ngds_folder/Protocols/NGDS_Form.pdf

Version 9.11 (2016-04-07) © 1998-2016 The NGDS Pilot Project The Principal The NGDS Pilot Project UNIVERSITY OF KARACHI O Beacon Light Academy, 'O' Levels, Karachi (civilian school) O Army Public School, 'O' Levels, Karachi O Bahria College, MT Khan Road, Karachi O Fazaia Degree College, 'Faisal', Karachi Version 9.11 (2016-04-07) All names must be written NGDS-KHI-SCH-2016in BLOCK LETTERS. © 1998-2016 The NGDS Pilot Project (Please do not write anything in the box above) Kindly, don't forget YEAR when entering dates of birth. STUDENT'S NAME GR Number Signatures Section Boy/Girl Date of Birth (Day-Month-YEAR) Birth Length (*cm*) Birth Mass (kg)Blood Group __ Last Checkup* on FATHER'S NAME _____ Signatures Date of Birth Pakistan National (Yes/No) Father's Education Father's Occupation MOTHER'S NAME Date of Birth Signatures Mother's Education Blood Group Mother's Occupation __ Pakistan National (Yes/No) Address Telephone Number Best Time to Call e-mail Brothers/Sisters of the Student (3-10 years): Describe any aspect related to student's health on back of this slip GR NAME Name of Class & Birth Length Birth Mass Blood Boy or Date Last Girl of Birth School No Section & Signatures (cm) Group (kg)Checkup*

*Head-to-toe (complete) exam by pediatrician

Please enroll our children in the NGDS Program.