

Ghadir Hospital: Symbol of Iran's prominent health sector

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The newly inaugurated Ghadir Hospital, equipped with state-of-the-art medical facilities and specializing in trauma and neurology, is poised to become a regional health leader, according to its director, Pouria Shojaei.

The hospital aims to cater to the medical needs of patients across the country and attract foreign patients for medical tourism, IRNA reported.

The hospital's inauguration comes as part of the current administration's initiative to complete half-finished projects, with the president emphasizing the importance of this endeavor.

The project, supported by the authorities and executed with relentless diligence, cost nearly \$50 million and was inaugurated in the presence of the President and the Minister of Health, Treatment, and Medical Education.

Shojaei stated that Ghadir Hospital is a significant addition to the Shohada-e Tajrish Medical Center.

The hospital was completed and equipped to increase patient acceptance and service provision, given the daily influx of thousands of people from different regions seeking medical services.

The 821-bed Ghadir Hospital boasts smart operating rooms, specialized departments such as ICU, NICU, CCU, a delivery department, an advanced emergency department equipped with an aerial heliport, brain angiography, imaging, dialysis, physiotherapy, specialized clinics, and inpatient departments for women, men, and children. The hospital also performs live surgeries through organ donation and has the capacity to accept accident victims via the air heliport, a unique feature in the region.

Shojaei noted that Ghadir Hospital could admit patients from neighboring provinces of Tehran Province in the fields of neurosurgery, vascular surgery, and trauma. The hospital is equipped to compensate for deficiencies in Tehran,

especially in the northeast of the capital, and serve patients nationwide.

Ghadir Hospital, the trauma center in the north of the country, has one of the largest emergency rooms in the country with 68 beds. It is staffed by hundreds of internal professors, specialists, subspecialists, and university staff members, enabling it to accept and treat elective and non-emergency surgeries from all over the country.

Shojaei emphasized that the new hospital, equipped with the facilities of a large hospital, serves the people with government tariffs. The hospital has contracts with insurance companies and, due to its advanced facilities, can provide excellent services at the level of large regional hospitals.

The hospital's unique heliport is designed to solve the problem of transferring transplant patients to the north of Tehran between this center and Tehran's Masih Deneshvari Hospital. The hospital also features intelligent control systems for ventilation, air



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conditioners, fan coils, engine rooms, chillers, diesel generators, transformers, and CCTV cameras. Reza Zandi, Vice President

of Medicine at Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, stated that Ghadir Hospital is a complete and well-equipped

hospital complex for the whole country. He emphasized that patients from all over the country will be admitted in this center.

Iran inaugurates first air emergency base



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Iran's Minister of Health, Treatment and Medical Education, Bahram Einollahi, announced Friday that 500 new vehicles will be added to the nation's emergency fleet within the next month.

The announcement was made during the inauguration of Tehran province's first specialized air emergency base, according to IRNA.

Einollahi, speaking to reporters on the sidelines of the opening ceremony, lauded Iran's standing in the health sector, asserting that the country is a regional leader and has a significant global presence. He emphasized the trust and recognition garnered by Iran's health sector and its national achievements.

The minister underscored the robust condition of

the emergency department, an integral part of the country's health and medical service chain. He hailed the department's response to the COVID-19 pandemic as a significant achievement and a testament to the heroism of the medical staff.

However, Einollahi stressed the need for continuous development of medical services. He outlined the Ministry's primary objective of dealing with emergencies and patients swiftly and with the highest quality of care.

The procurement of 500 emergency vehicles, for which financial resources have been secured, is part of this objective. The minister also highlighted the importance of air emergency services, particularly in major cities grappling with road traffic. He assured that the renovation and develop-

ment of these services are underway.

Einollahi arrived at the ceremony in an emergency helicopter, a gesture aimed at assuring the public of the vehicle's safety. He promised an increase in the number of air ambulances, equipped with advanced medical equipment, particularly for resuscitation.

The top health official expressed hope for the complete domestic production of helicopters in the near future, noting that parts of the air emergency equipment are already being produced locally.

Ja'far Mi'aadfar, the head of the country's emergency organization, confirmed that the emergency helicopters are fully equipped with all the necessary emergency services. He revealed that last year, over 4,000 emergency flights were made, including more than 400 involving pregnant women.

Mi'aadfar highlighted the challenge of finding suitable hospitals for landing but expressed optimism with the opening of Ghadir Hospital, which he said is a significant step towards addressing this concern. He emphasized that the cost of transporting each patient, which exceeds \$35,000 is provided free of charge by the air ambulance service.

Parts of Dowshan Tappeh to become a public park

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In a recent announcement, a member of Tehran's council revealed plans to convert a portion of the land occupied by the Dowshan Tappeh barracks in districts 13 and 14 into a public park, thereby expanding the capital's green space.

The transformation will take place once the municipality determines its share of the project, IRNA reported.

Nasser Amani, during a discussion on the evaluation of last year's municipality budget, highlighted that the budget had achieved the highest realization rate in the history of Tehran Municipality. However, Amani cautioned that it is premature

to comment on the matter until the presentation of last year's budget report later in March.

Emphasizing the importance of transparency, Amani stated that the annual report of the municipal budget will be presented to the public at the end of the year in the city council's public hall. He further emphasized the need to verify the figures and data before making any comments.

Addressing the agreement between the municipal real estate organization and the Dowshan Tappeh barracks to vacate the capital, Amani explained that the organization has successfully reached an agreement with the barracks in districts 13 and 14.

According to the memorandum, a portion of the land will be transformed into green space and a park, with the municipality's share yet to be determined.

Amani underscored that the municipality has received definitive regulations regarding the project, and approximately 30 percent of the work has already been completed. However, the full realization and finalization of the project depend on the diligent efforts and follow-up of the municipality. The Dowshan Tappeh Air Base, also known as the 11th Shekari Air Base of Tehran, is an air base and airport situated on Pirouzi Street in Tehran. Previously serving as an air force flight training base, the airport

has now ceased all flights. However, the runway remains operational for emergency purposes during potential earthquakes or other incidents in eastern Tehran. The presence of this airport and other air force facilities has significantly occupied urban areas in the eastern part of Tehran, leading to high traffic congestion on Pirouzi Street and Damavand Street, among other major consequences. With the transformation of the Dowshan Tappeh barracks into a public park, Tehran aims to alleviate some of the urban challenges while enhancing the city's green space, providing its residents with a much-needed recreational area.

