



## CONSTRUCTION WORKERS IN AL SHAMAL MUNICIPALITY ATTEND IFTAR HOSTED BY ROTA

*ROTA Volunteers Reach out to Communities in Qatar as Part of Ramadan 2016 Project*

**Doha, Qatar, 13 June 2016:** Reach Out To Asia (ROTA) recently held an Iftar for construction workers living in the Al Shamal Municipality. The event was sponsored by Occidental Petroleum Corporation (OXY) and hosted by ROTA volunteers.

Mr Mohammed Al Saleh, Director of National Programmes, ROTA, said: “Ramadan presents a great opportunity for ROTA to further our year-round community outreach initiatives. The Ramadan 2016 Project also gives ROTA volunteers the chance to interact with communities across Qatar, and we hope this will build a platform for increased interaction between cultures. This is a small token of our appreciation to construction workers, and we are grateful to the volunteers for their efforts towards ROTA’s Ramadan 2016 Project.”

“I am honoured to be a part of this Ramadan initiative. These men work really hard throughout the year, and Ramadan can be a tough time for them, especially being so far away from their families. It’s important for us to show our gratitude towards them and to give them a sense of belonging in the community,” said Yasser Khan, a ROTA volunteer.

“Each year we look forward to meeting the ROTA volunteers and the chance to enjoy and share an Iftar with our colleagues. We are grateful to ROTA for their consideration of the wider community,” said a construction worker living in the Al Shamal Municipality.

ROTA, a member of Qatar Foundation for Education, Science and Community Development (QF), has an established reputation for bridging the gap between different communities in Qatar while building a strong culture of dedicated community service among volunteers.

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### **About ROTA**

Reach Out To Asia is a non-profit organization launched in December 2005 in Doha, Qatar, by Her Excellency Sheikha Al Mayassa bint Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani. Operating under the auspices of the Qatar Foundation, ROTA is committed to providing high quality and relevant primary and secondary education, encouraging relationships among communities, creating safe learning environments and restoring education in crisis affected areas across Asia and around the world. ROTA envisions a world where all young people have access to the education they need in order for them to realize their full potential and shape the development of their communities.

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### **About Qatar Foundation**

#### **Qatar Foundation – Unlocking Human Potential**

Qatar Foundation for Education, Science, and Community Development (QF) is a private, non-profit organisation that is supporting Qatar on its journey from carbon economy to knowledge economy by unlocking human potential, for the benefit of not only Qatar, but the world. Founded in 1995 by His Highness Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, the Father Amir, QF is chaired by Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser.

QF's work encompasses education, research and community development. World-class universities are brought to Qatar to help create an education sector in which young people can develop the attitudes and skills required for a knowledge economy. At the same time, QF builds Qatar's innovation and technology capacity by developing and commercialising solutions through key sciences. The Foundation also works to foster a progressive society while enhancing cultural life, protecting Qatar's heritage and addressing immediate social needs in the community.