Foundation enhances healthcare delivery to Lagos Hospital

...Donates Auto Haematology Analyser

As part of its commitment to the provision of healthcare delivery amenities to Lagosians, Total Foundation, an employee initiative programme of Total Upstream Companies in Nigeria (TUCN), recently donated an Auto-Haematology Analyser to St. Kizito Clinic in Lagos.

The Auto-Haematology Analyser is said to be capable of using one blood sample to achieve different results. This means it is a critical improvement to the service rendered to patients of the clinic as it allows complete screening of data sets of blood cells, both qualitative and quantitative.

Silvia Polski, project head of communications, TUCN, speaking while handing over the equipment to the hospital, said, "Total as a group and TUCN in particular, has a long tradition in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) via its Foundation. According to Polski, "Total enables its employees to commit themselves personally towards non-profitable associations. It is an honour, undoubtedly, to be able to contribute to the help given to less-privileged people, in the country we are working in."

Responding, Barbara Pepoli, general manager, Loving Gaze, expressed gratitude for the gesture which she revealed would in the first year cater for about 60,000 patients as against the initial 10,000 patients previously.

Pepoli also pointed out that the Auto Haematology Analyser will support the medical care of the most vulnerable patients: children, pregnant women, HIV/AIDS and TB patients.

Operated by Loving Gaze, an independent not-for-profit organisation, St. Kizito Clinic, has provided basic healthcare for the most unprivileged in Lagos for the last 25 years in Jakande, Lekki, Idi-Araba, Mushin and Ikorodu.