

Poverty in Pakistan

Poverty is a grave challenge in Pakistan. There are several drives, but two are most prominent to aggravate this issue. Foremost is the crippling economy of state which has sown the seed of unemployment, and it results in abject poverty. In fact, the current rate of unemployment is 3.9 percent which is significantly higher than 0.58% in 2000. Next drive is the overpopulation. Pakistan, which ranked 7th in 2000, became 5th populous country in world. The mass growth of population is running out the state's reserves, so citizens have very little access to the basic necessities of life. Once, Nelson Mandela said "poverty is not natural, but it is man-made". Similarly, in context of Pakistan, these are man-made drives are in shape of economy and rapid growth of population which are swelling up the mushroom of poverty.