

Education is basic building block of character

Outline

1. Introduction

Thesis Statement: Education is a mean to reach to the height of glory by building nation's character in splendid way. Educational famine in Pakistan has corroded the individual character, and added fuel to the fire of unbridled crisis. However, certain pragmatic measures can be helpful to ensure quality based education for character building of lamenting nation.

2. Nexus between Education and Nation's character

3. Education is basic building block of character

- a. Inculcates tolerance among masses
- b. Curbs manners of bleak social taboos regarding gender inequality
- c. Institutionalizes morality among citizens of a state
- d. Road to the rise of self-discipline
- e. Gives confidence to individual which leads to productivity
- f. Creative soul is spawned by

Quality based education.
b- Mitigates sinister of extremism
among youth.

4. Reforming Educational System to Strengthen Nation's Character

- a. Ensuring education for all the citizens of Pakistan
- b. Reforming content of seminaries
- c. Re-structuring educational mills to ensure quality based education for all.
- d. Redefining heroes and history.

5. Conclusion

"Let us remember. One pen, one book, one child and one teacher can change the world". Mahatma Gandhi said. Education has potential to write destiny of nations. It is basic building block of character that let the nations to soar at the height of glory. It is a mean to bring socio-economic prosperity by building nation's character in splendid way. Educational reform in Pakistan has corroded the individual character, and added fuel to the fire of unbridled

crisis. However, certain pragmatic measures can be helpful to ensure quality based education to build nation's character and put it on the road of prosperity. There are close links between rate of character building and education. Education brings gargantuan changes in individual's character and raise a respectable nation. Education inculcates tolerance among masses which is main pillar of positive character. Besides this, it curbs maniacs of break social taboos regarding gender inequality, over and above, education is a mean to institutionalize morality among masses. Moreover, it paves the ways for the growth of self-discipline. Further more, it gives confidence to an individual to strengthen his/her character along with these, a creative soul is spawned by quality based education. In addition to these benefits, education helps to curb the maniacs of extremism and build a nation with positive character. However, educational system of

Pakistan is a country of multiple cultures which have the character building of a nation. There is quite a need of time to bring some reforms in educational system of Pakistan to pave the way for nation's character building. First of all, education must be ensured for all citizens of Pakistan. Besides this, there is a sheer need to reform content of religious seminaries of Pakistan. Furthermore, concepts of educational mills should be encouraged to ensure quality based education for all. Last but not the least, there is a need to redefine history and heroes to build character of a nation in marvelous ways.

Role of education in character building
is undeniable. It is not possible to have a positive character of any nation without education. Education can be defined as most important tool to re-write destiny of any nation by building its character. Prosperous nations all around the world have marvelous character, but

it has been descendant by the
excellent educational system of
those states. Nations with
good character leave unremovable
scars on the world history.
They rule the world in
splendid way. On the other
hand, merely marooned and
feeble nation with poor
character remain in ambit
of decay; like polarization,
extremism, etc. Daron Acemoglu
says in his book "Why
Nations fail" that one
of the major reasons
behind the fall of the
nation is poor educational
system. It leads to poor
character building that hinders
socio-economic development of
states.

Education is
a basic building block of
character. It polishes nation's
character in multiple ways.
First of all, it inculcates
tolerance among masses which
is first and most important
attribute of good character.
Educated societies have tolerance
to swallow diversity in
ideas and opinions. This

Tolerance removes polarization among masses.
and paves way for proliferation
of integration. Main of Pakistan
is clothed with poor character
which has proliferated a
number of curses in the
Society; like extremism, intolerance,
etc. as defined by Stephen
P. Cohen in his book, "Pakistan
manifest destiny". He says
that it is the paralysed
education system behind the
intolerant nation. So, quality
based education can be
helpful to mitigate sinister
of intolerance and proliferate
peace among masses.
Besides this,
education has potential to
curb menaces of bleak
social taboos from the
society, thus raise nation
with remarkable character.
Quality based education broadens
mindset of people and make
them to accept female
as equal and important
part of nation. It helps
to erase patriarchal ties
from one's character. For
example, Pakistan is ranked
at 145 in global gender

gap index report 2021. Major cause
is poor and quantity based
educational system of Pakistan.
The situation is worse in
mountainous areas where girls
are not allowed to step
out of home owing to
patriarchy. Their right of
education is taken away by
fundamental and staunch theologians
as says by Maqsood in
her book, "I am Maqsood".

Thus, nation devoid of
good educational system suffers with
gender gap. This can be mitigated
only by education.

Over and
above, education institutionalize
morality among masses to
strengthen their character.
Education makes nations
morally rich. Morality leads
to an honest nation where
national interests or priorities
over personal interests. It
strengthens nation's character,
and put it on the track
of glory. In his book, "The
Story of Civilization", that
"No nation can be

conquered from outside until at
weakened itself from within"
Morality in state has weak
foundation which can be
shattered by a little
attempts of outer forces. Education
is a means to political
morality in people's character,
and thus curb a number
of vices from the
society.

Moreover, education
gives confidence to an individual
which helps to increase
higher productivity. Confident
souls are building blocks
of nation's prosperity. Confidence
is one of the most
important ingredients of one's
character which is inculcated
by the quality based
education. Singapore, which
once was a poor state,
is now an industrialist
state. This change became
possible owing to reforms
in educational system of
Singapore. Education
confidence and skills gap
people and increased to the
productivity. They were able
to invest with more

productivity in nation's development,
says by W. C. Huff in his
book, "The Economic Growth
of Singapore". So, Confident nations
are enable to bring
peace and prosperity in States,
but this confident in nation's
character is impressed only by
quality based education.

Furthermore,
education makes people well-
disciplined which is important
for their strong character building.
Self-discipline and self-control are
sheerly important pillars to
build a strong character. Self-
disciplined nations bring competitive
advantages for their States. For
example, China has a
self-well-disciplined nation. This
discipline hinders people to
commit any wrong deed, and
encourages them to live
a sustainable life. That
is why, 1.45 billion
population has brought success
in every sector for the
State. On the other hand,
poor educational system of
Pakistan is failed to
produce a well-disciplined nation.
So, only 270 million people

have become a burden for the
state. Here, quality based
education system is the first
and foremost need to produce
a well-disciplined nation.

Education system
of Pakistan is bogged in
the cliches of multiple courses
which hinder character building
of nation. There is acute
need to bring some
reforms in education sector
of Pakistan to make it
enable to build the nation's
character in splendid way. First
of all, there is acute
need to ensure education
for all the citizens of
Pakistan. Education is the
individual's constitutional right.
Bestowing some people with
quality based education while
depriving others hinders character
building of whole nation.
"There are 2.5 million out
of school children in
Pakistan", UNICEF. "3.4 million
children are being exploited
by recent flood", World Bank. The
nation would remain in
theorbit of poor
and feeble character if

A large portion of it remain uneducated, as stated by Stephen P. Cohen in "Pakistan: Manifest destiny". So quality based education for all should be ensured by state for character building of the nation.

Besides this, there is need to reform content and syllabus of seminaries. Almost 3.5 million children of Pakistan are admitted in religious educational institutes. The education imparted by madrasahs is not enough to develop nation with strong and positive character. One of the major reasons behind the extremist youth in Pakistan is educational content of seminaries. Says by Mehdi Hasan in "Pakistan under the Siege" students of madrasahs are more violent and extremist. They hinder and oppose any change or liberal development owing to their narrow mindset. Halel in their character stain the character of whole nation. That is why their is

need to reform educational content
of Seminars, and bring them
under the control and supervision
of State

Along with these
structure of educational mills of
Pakistan should be redefined
in order to build nation's
character in splendid way.

Educational institutes of Pakistan
have become industrial with
sole purpose of generating
money. It has become

a most profitable business
in Pakistan. Ironically, such
elite schools impart brand
and standard rather than quality
based education. Recent incident

of bullying in an elite
school of Lahore is
enough to depict harsh
and bleak side of these
educational mills.

Besides this
horrified murder of Mashal Khan
in Abdul Wali Khan University
also depicts the institutionalization
of extremism in the elite
educational institutes as stated

by M. Qasim in his publication
"Beyond Violence: Impacts of
extremism in the community" 2020.
There is need to take

reign of these institutions by government
and make them occasions for bullying
and spreading extremism.

Last but not
the least, heroes and history
need to be redefined for
strong character building of nation.
Along with Muhammad Bin Qasim
and Tariq Bin Ziyad, Abdul Sattar,

Dr. Abdul Qadir Khan and Genral
economist Mehboob-ul-Haq name should
also be added in context. This
would be helpful to shed light
on the services of Pakistan's
great scientist, economist or social
workers. Moreover, it would inspire

children and they might be
consider them as their role model.

Only that part of history is
deliberately added in historical
pages of books that suits
best for political gain,
Pakistan under the reign, Makhdoom
Afzal. She says that

educational context is defined
and set by politicians to
mold the mindset of
nation according to their own
will and self-interest. This
is need of hour to
redefine history and heroes

in curriculum to strengthen the character of nation.

kill one terrorist, but a book has the potential to kill terrorism. Nations

with strong character bring socio-economic prosperity and hinder external forces to interfere into the state's personal matters.

They are the safeguards of their territory and values, but a strong character is bound in gratitude for to education. Education

is building bloc of character. It uplifts nation's moral values and strengthens their character. Such nations

can not be defeated or invaded by external forces.

They have potential to reach to the height of glory. Intolerance or extremism cannot proliferates in states having nation with strong character. Peace and prosperity

is the destiny of their states. Pakistan is going

through the educational famine where millions of children are working in factories at the

The age of going to school. Private schools have become educational mills and madrassahs are inculcating extremism. Public schools are not enable to build the nation's character. That is why, clouds of bleak curse are hovering over the Pakistan. There is acute need to reform educational institutes in Pakistan to make them enable to strengthen nation's character; otherwise, unfortunate would be its eternal fate.