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TOPIC:-

Causes and Consequences Of Poverty in Pakistan

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Introduction

These statement:

There are millions of people in Pakistan who are facing the poverty. Poverty is a major barrier in the development of country. It has direct impact upon the living standard of people. It can be counter ~~by~~ through technological advancement and modern education system.

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An Brief Overview of Poverty in Pakistan

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Causes of Poverty in Pakistan.

(a) Mass illiteracy rate.

(b) High level corruption.

(c) Population explosion.

(d) ~~An equal~~ ^{Ineffective management} distribution of ^{Natural} resources.

(e) Dependency on foreign aid.

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Consequences of Poverty in Pakistan.

(a) Poor living standard.

(b) More crimes.

(c) Extreme Un-employment

(d) Weakened economy.

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Way forward to reduce Poverty in Pakistan.

(a) Quality education.

(b) Robust laws and policies.

(c) Ease of doing business.

(d) Updated and Modern technology.

(e) Proper budget allocation for youth development.

"Do not Kill your children out of poverty; We will provide for you and them." [Quran 6:151].
The verse makes it clear that poverty is such a evil which can compelled ones to ~~take~~ ^{take} his life. The poverty in Pakistan is increasing day by day. The living standard of people in Pakistan is decreasing due to poverty. Poverty has direct impact on the social life of people. The people who are unable to ^{achieve} ~~get~~ the basic needs of life like food, shelter, clothes, ~~and~~ medical and education disappointed with life. For a happy and successful life it is necessary that every citizen must have enough food, shelter and proper clothes. But it is very to say that a large number of people in Pakistan are facing poverty. It is mass illiteracy which is one of the cause of poverty in Pakistan. Poverty also emerges due to high level corruption in of society. Along with mega corruption, population explosion is another leading factor of poverty. The dependency on foreign aid and un-equal distribution of resources leads to ~~high~~ increasing poverty in Pakistan. There are numerous impact of poverty. Poverty leads to poor living standard. It can give birth to more crimes. Poverty can become main source of disturbing peace. Along with this poverty is basic factor of weakened economy and extreme unemployment.

by curing out the suggest remedies Pakistan can again set on the path of progress. As there are millions of people in Pakistan, facing poverty in Pakistan. Poverty is one the major barrier in the development of Country. It has direct impact on the social and living life of people. However, this terrible situation can be countered by using technological and modern education system.

Poverty is a situation where people are unable to achieve their basic needs.

It is major obstacle to fulfill the dreams.

As of 2023, poverty is expected to reach 37.2% (\$365/day). In Pakistan millions of people lacks a usual or socially acceptable amount of money or material possessions. The current situation of Pakistan is the toughest and struggling situation for the poor people. The current highest inflation rate badly affecting the poor people of Country. An alarming figures shared by "The Express Tribune" approximately poverty is the fourth leading cause of death in Pakistan.

It is the mass illiteracy that is a first cause of poverty in Pakistan. It goes without saying that illiteracy is a major cause of poverty in the Country. Illiteracy leads towards unemployment which can directly affect the economy of Country. Illiterate people are unable to compete both nationally

and internationally. It is a barrier in the field of education and research. The people who are unable to read and write are unable to contribute in the development of country. It is an era of competition, where more people are required to put the country in the way of success. The current illiteracy rate in Pakistan is 62.3 percent, which means that around 90 millions people are unable to read and write. (Pakistan Today, Nov, 2023). Hence, it can be stated that mass illiteracy promotes poverty in Pakistan.

Poverty also emerges due to mega corruption in a society. one of the biggest and alarming factor of poverty and development is corruption. Corruption ticks the country like a termite. No doubt that corruption weakened the roots of nation.

Since from the independence of Pakistan till now a high level corruption has been practicing in the country. The culture of corruption ^{has} become a common thing in Pakistan. From high to lower men at every level corruption has existing. Due to corruption people are unable to do their legal work. Different institutions such as Judiciary, police, education sector, Hospitals Health sectors and many others are not safe from corruption. A country where corruption is common are unable to deliver the justice, and fundamental rights. Less

Pakistan is the 140 (least corruption) nation out of 180 corruption. (Transparency, 2022). In short, it is proved that poverty also emerges due to corruption in a society.

Along with mega corruption another cause of increasing poverty in Pakistan is population explosion. A rapid increase in population is alarming situation for the country. As, Pakistan is fifth largest populated country in the world. The explosion of population directly affecting the living standard of people. There is no proper family planning system. Most probably the rural areas people are totally unaware about the family planning programme. They consider it crime. In rural areas approximately 80% of people carries 6-7 children, without any proper planning. Thus, they were unable to provide them a good education and medical system. So, it is the population explosion which is another cause of poverty in Pakistan.

Another leading cause of poverty in Pakistan is the ~~unequal~~ ~~distribution~~ ~~of~~ ~~resources~~ ineffective management of natural resources. Natural resources have the potential in the success of country. The proper management of resources can play a vital role in the development of country as well as boosting of economy. Pakistan is rich in natural resources. There are many unique and precious kind of natural resources found in Pakistan.

Pakistan is deposits of several minerals including Coal, Natural gas, mineral salt, Copper, Gold, Chromite, bauxite and several other minerals. The most valuable natural resource for Pakistan is water.

But unfortunately due to lack of government attention and policies, there is ~~huge~~ ^{large} ineffectiveness ~~in government~~ ^{in government} occur in natural resources management. So, the ineffective management of resources is another big reason of poverty in Pakistan.

Lastly, the dependency on foreign aid is another cause of poverty in Pakistan.

Pakistan dependency on foreign loan promotes poverty and high inflation in the country.

As Pakistan is third world country and facing many economic issues. Thus from last many decades it is depended upon foreign aid. In 1958 for the first time Pakistan went to IMF for bailout. For this IMF lent out US\$ 25,000,000 is given in SDR. Similarly in 1965, Pakistan again went to IMF. Unfortunately from 1958 to still today, Pakistan is dependent on IMF and other friendly countries, such as Saudi Arabia and China. In current economic situation if Pakistan do not go to IMF, then there was huge chances of default. Recently IMF approves much-awaited \$3 billion bailout for Pakistan, saving it from defaulting on debt. (Spectrum News 1, July, 2023). Similarly the brother country Saudi Arabia

also deposit \$2 billion in the account of State Bank of Pakistan. (Dawn, July, 2023)

Hence, it can be stated that the dependency on foreign aid is also leading cause of poverty in Pakistan.

Poverty has many consequences on the daily life of people as well as on the success and development of Nation.

It is the poverty which leads to poor living standard. Poverty badly affect the life of people. Poverty is a condition in which person is unable to live a good life. Every society possess different classes - Upper class, middle and lower class. The most affected people are the lower class. They are unable to meet the basic need of life.

There are millions of people with no basic facilities. Over half of Pakistanis are deprived of basic education and health facilities and live below a respectable standard of living, reveals a United Nation reports. Thus, poverty has great impact on the living standard of people.

Instead of this, poverty may take away to more crimes. Poverty is such a evil which can bring more crimes in a society. Poverty may successfully leads a person mind to negativity. It can increase depression, anxiety and stress in people. Due to increasing unemployment rate

and poverty the youth of Country can be demotivated. This demotivation will lead them toward crimes. The snatching of mobile phone, cars, bikes, jewellerys and other precious items are the perfect examples of increasing crimes in Pakistan. According to report 60 phones snatched a day in city. From Jan till Nov, a total 26605 ~~mobile~~ ~~phone~~ 'lost' phones, were reported in Karachi Pakistan. (The Express Tribune, July, 2022). So, it can be stated that poverty is one the biggest factor of increasing crimes.

Another consequences of poverty is extreme unemployment. It will led to increasing unemployment rate. Unemployment has direct link with living standard, development, achievement, research, and economy of Country. The increasing unemployment rate in Pakistan has greatly fueled the brain drain.

Youth are the real asset of any nation but due to the high unemployment rate youngsters are forced to leave the Country to secure their future. In 2021 about 295,000 Pakistanis left the Country, but the number nearly tripled to 765,000 last year. (The Express Tribune, 20 May, 2023). Poverty force the professionals such as doctors, engineers, accounts, information technology experts to left the Country. The current

Unemployment ratio exceeds from 5.12% to 6.37% in 2022. (Zoya Nazir, DW News, 2023). The poverty is such an evil which have great impact on the ~~cor~~ employment rate.

Besides that poverty can also weaken the economy of Country. As the economy of Pakistan as a developing economy. it is the 23rd-largest in terms of GDP based on purchasing power parity (PPP). The economy of Pakistan is facing many challenges. The current situation of Pakistan is too much worst. Due to mega corruption, high inflation rate, outdated technology, and poverty the economy of Pakistan is badly affected. The unstable economy pushed the country at risk of default. By the Grace Allah almighty now Pakistan ~~has now~~ saved from default. Pakistan finance Minister Ishaq Dar announced in a press conference that now Pakistan is not going to default. International monetary fund (IMF) granted \$3 billion bailout to Pakistan and also the brother country KSA deposits \$1 billion in the account of SBP. It's ~~seems~~ clear that the economy of Pakistan is dependent on foreign aid. Hence, it is proved that poverty can leads to weakened economy.

By acting out the suggested remedies Pakistan can set on the path of progress and can reduce the increasing poverty in the country.

The first and essential solution to control the poverty is quality education.

Pakistan is developing country where outdated and old education system has been following. Education is key factor in the development of country. It can lead the country to the peak of success. The best and quality education countries have easily achieve their goals. For boosting economy and development quality education is necessary. Pakistan still rely on old and outdated education system.

In Pakistan education system there is no practical and research based knowledge. The crumbling culture and untrained teachers are badly affecting our education system. So, it is quality education that can play very important role to control the poverty in Pakistan.

Not only quality education, it is necessary to establish robust laws and policies to control the poverty in Pakistan.

Future planning and proper policies are the basic actions to control poverty. Due to lack of government attention and weak policies regarding poverty, the people of Pakistan are suffering too much. The political instability and vested interest of politicians to push

the Country into severe inflation and poverty. According to report 40 millions people living below the poverty. (Harris et al, Down, 2023). To combat the severe poverty it is necessary to make robust laws and policies.

An essential solution to reduce the poverty is ease of doing business. The ease of doing business is very much essential for the country. To provide business opportunities for small and large business.

Motivate youth and business graduates to start their own businesses. When there is a suitable permit and tax on business ^{more} people can move toward their own business. A good policy from government can also encourage the people. There must be different seminars at different level for the awareness of doing business. It will directly help the economy through tax collection. The ease of doing business can increase the ^{domestic} local production and reduce the import. Which will be very much beneficial for the country. Hence, the ease of doing business can reduce the poverty in the country.

Along with ease of doing business, it is the updated and modern technology which can reduce the poverty in Pakistan. Pakistan is too much backward in latest technology. The development

and success is totally dependent upon the technology. The developed countries of world gain success through latest technology. The successful countries of the world, such as America, China, Japan and England are too much rich in technology. The only reason of their success is adoption of latest technology. Hence, it is proved that the adoption of latest and updated technology can play vital role in the development of country.

The proper allocation of budget for youth development is very much important to decrease the poverty. As youth are the real assets of nation. They can play an important role in country development. The youngsters have ability to reach their country to the top. The more energetic youth of country have the quality to change the country system in a positive manner. Fortunately, there is no dearth of youth in Pakistan. Thus, the government of Pakistan should allocate proper budget for youth development. Through this the potential of youth can easily be used for the development of youth. According to a report shared by "UNESCO", 72.7% youth are educated in Pakistan between ages of 15-24. (The Global Economy, 2021). So, proper budget allocation for youth development

Can play an important role to counter the poverty in Pakistan.

Conclusively, one may say that there are millions of people below the poverty in Pakistan. They are severely facing the poverty. Poverty is one of the major barrier in the development of country. It has direct impact on the economy, domestic life style, education and on the health of people. Poverty is mostly a terrible situation for the third world countries. They are still unable to deal with it.

Similarly, there are many causes of poverty in Pakistan. The mass illiteracy rate and mega level corruption in Pakistan become an important reason of poverty. Not only that the rapid increase in population and ineffective management of natural resources, badly affecting the country.

The dependency of Pakistan on foreign aid lead the country toward poverty. When there is too much poverty in a country, there are too many consequences. It badly affect the daily life of people. It can push the people in the way of crimes. Poverty can give birth to extreme unemployment and weakened economy. By following the suggested remedies Pakistan can come out this terrible situation. (2209)