

Give a man a fish, and he will eat for a day. Teach a man how to fish, and you feed him for a lifetime.

1- Introduction

Instead of giving charity, make a person able to learn some skill, so that he would not be a parasite, rather he would be a useful addition to a certain field and become self-sufficient throughout his life.

2- Contextualizing the proverb in real terms

3- Charity makes people dependent

(a)- The ability of a person becomes insufficient in order to attain a basic standard of living

(b)- Increased dependency on others reduces their

morale of being independent
(c) - Undue ~~or~~ charity or dependency on financial aid make people parasites for state e.g. BISP and Ihsas programme in Pakistan

(d) - People's reliance on others erodes away prosperity from the society and increases begging and crime rate.

4. Teaching the unskilled or unemployed some skill to make them self-sufficient for lifetime

(a) - Instead of giving a beggar some money, provide him with the object that he can use to earn for lifetime, as derived from a hadeeth of Prophet Muhammad S.A.W.

(b) - Self-sufficient people enjoy high moral standard

(c) - People recognise their own potential without any financial assistance.

(d) - Self-sufficient people enjoy socio-economic prosperity

5 - Ways to increase self-sufficiency among people

(a) - Unemployment allowances to be given to people for a period of six to eight months only

(b) - Vocational training needs to be accessible for everyone in order to get one skill or another

(c) - High literacy rate can better help people to recognise their own capabilities to become socio-economically independent

6 - Conclusion