

Topic:

Youth Bulge in Pakistan: An Asset or Liability

Outline

A. Introduction

1. What is youth bulge?
2. Youth bulge in Pakistan: a ticking bomb
3. Thesis Statement

B. Overview of Youth Bulge in Pakistan

C. Youth Bulge: A liability

1. Raising issue of unemployment
2. Youth bulge is one of the reasons of brain drain in Pakistan
3. Increased in crime rate due to large population of unemployed youth
4. Over loaded educational institutions because of youth bulge
5. Rapid urbanization driven by a large youth population
6. Increased population can lead to environmental degradation
7. Youth bulge can creates political instability
8. Strain on public infrastructure
9. Food insecurity: food production

often cannot keep pace with population

10. ~~the~~ Unemployed youth can cause economical instability
11. A surge in youth population can place immense pressure on health care system

D. Youth Bulge: An Asset

1. An increased number of youth can expand the labour force
2. Economic growth through increased in productivity and innovation

E. Balancing Act For Youth Bulge

1. Investment in quality education and skills development
2. Urban planning to accommodate urbanization

F. Conclusion

A popular game named Jenga involves a tower of blocks, in which players has to remove one block at a time progressively making the tower unstable. Although, the process is slow, the outcome is inevitable - the tower crashes. Similarly, in the context of Pakistan's youth bulge, the tower is Pakistan, and the blocks which are removed are resources, stability and food security, and the player is over population of youth. It has created multiple problems and will pose more challenges in the upcoming years. To begin with, youth bulge has created unemployment, brain drain, and increased in crime rates. Similarly, over-population of youth has created instability in Pakistan's economy and politics. Likewise, youth population overload the educational institutions, health care sector and public infrastructure. Food insecurity is also caused by growing population of youth. Furthermore, one of the reasons of urbanization is youth bulge. However, there are some reasons from which youth bulge can be considered as an asset such as it will expand labour market, and increased in productivity. Although, youth bulge is proven as a liability, there are some balancing act for youth bulge to make or convert it into asset. Balancing acts such as investment in education and skills, and

planning of urban pop areas. Youth bulge in Pakistan is a liability because it is causing problems like environmental degradation, unemployment, brain drain, and political instability. It will also raise the challenges like such as urbanization, food insecurity, and issues in public sectors.