

Dilemma of education system in Pakistan

Outline

1. Introduction

Thesis statement: An efficient education system plays a key role in success of any nation. However, dilemma of education system leads to failure, poverty, instability and chaos. Thus, some measures are needed to address the dilemma of education system.

2. A brief overview of dilemma of education system in Pakistan Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIEDAT) report 2023

3. What is the dilemma of education system in Pakistan?

I. Presence of apartheid education system

Case in point: Three tiers education setup

II - Absence of quality education

Book: Governing the ungovernable

III - Presence of outdated curriculum and teachers

Case study: Debate on single national curriculum

IV. Low investment in education sector

Reference: 2 percent GDP ratio for education

V. Absence of infrastructure in educational institutions

Case Study: United Nation International Children Emergency Fund (UNICEF) report 2023

VI. Lack of technical knowledge and skills
Case in point: Remarks of Pakistan Engineering Council (PEC) Chairman

VII. Absence of coordination between academia and industry
Case in point: Gap between academic knowledge and practical knowledge

4. Why does Pakistan face dilemma of education system?

I. Lack of political will
Books: Education and Democracy

II. Persistent existence of economic instability and poverty
Case study: Public vs private education

III. Presence of social slavery and customs
Case in point: Girls education issues

5. What are the measures to address the dilemma of education system in Pakistan?

I. Ensuring elimination of apartheid education is essential

Case study: Single National Curriculum of USA

II. Ascertaining quality education is need of the hour.

Case in point: Education system of China

III. Guaranteeing teaching of updated courses is imperative

Reference: Islamabad Policy Research Institute report 2024

IV. Ensuring balanced procurement of educational funds

Case study: India's 6 percent GDP share for education

V. Improving infrastructure is also indispensable

Books: Political Thought by Mazhar-ul-Hasn

VI. Introduction of technical knowledge and skills is direly needed

Case study: Taiwan

6. Conclusion

According to a famous Chinese proverb, "If you are thinking a year ahead, plant a seed; if you are thinking a decade ahead, plant a tree; and if you are thinking a century ahead, educate the people." This proverb actually explains the significance of education and its role in success of any nation. Unfortunately, Pakistan is facing persistent predicament of education system which, in turn, has badly affected the socio-economic and political domains of life. Presence of apartheid education system coupled with absence of equality education is the major issue of education in Pakistan. Similarly, outdated curriculum and low investment in education are other issues in this regard. Absence of conducive infrastructure also maligns prospects of education in the country. Moreover, lack of technical knowledge indicates the disruption of education system. Lack of political will, existence of economic chaos and presence of social slavery are the major causes of dilemma of education system in the country. Some discrete measures such as, among others, ensuring elimination

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of apartheid education system, ascertaining quality education and guaranteeing teaching of updated courses are essential for addressing the issues of education system. An efficient education system plays a key role in success of any nation. However, dilemma of education system leads to failure, poverty, insecurity and chaos. Thus, some measures are needed to address the dilemma of education system.

To conclude, success of any nation deeply hinges upon the efficiency of its education system.

However, consistent education system is detrimental for success and growth of nation.

Some concrete steps can address the dilemma of education system.

Sadly, same is the case of Pakistan as it faces various hurdles of education, such as, presence of apartheid education system. Similarly, absence

of equality education, presence of outdated courses and low procurement of educational funds

by successive governments also manifest dilemma of education system in Pakistan. There are multiple causes of dilemma of education in the country, such as, lack of political will, presence of economic meltdown and others. Some concrete measures can ameliorate the situation. Thus, Pakistan is facing the dilemma of education system.

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