

# Reforming Education System in Pakistan: Priorities and challenges

## 1- Introduction

Hook

General Statement

Thesis statement In Pakistan, vocational training, integration of technology and budget allocation are the priorities <sup>to adopt</sup> in reforming education system.

The need to address challenges of poor infrastructure, expensive education and lack of entrepreneurship.

## 2- Priorities in Reforming Education System

### 2.1. Recent Reforms by Government

SNC, Privatization

### 2.2. Integration of Industry and Education

Vocational training; NAVTTC, Habib University

### 2.3. Budget Allocation

Focus on free education and accountability

### 2.4. Integration of Technology and

advantage from Globalization

Creativity vs. cramming, advance education, global collaboration

2.5- Addressing Gender Gap

Awareness, Islamic perspective.

3- Challenges in Reformation

3.1- Loopholes in SNC and Privatization; widen class distinction

3.2- Focus on job seeking and lack of entrepreneurship; unemployment

3.3- Economic Struggle of State  
Hinder technological integration, corruption

3.4- Teaching is least priority and Braindrain

3.5- Lack of Political will and weak policy making

4- Way Forward

True Implementation of Article 25(A)

Programs like USAID etc.

Technology as source of educational globalization

5- Conclusion

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world". notes by Nelson Mandela. In Pakistan, educational reforms are the source to boost the state. China, South Korea and Japan are the examples, where education changes the history. The concepts of literacy and education are generally misunderstood. Literacy is the general ability to read and write. However, education is the ability to implement bookish knowledge in practical field by creativity and skills. The dilemma of Pakistan is that its youth is not educated rather literate. The importance of education has been vanished from the priority list of state. Being a muslim state, the importance of education is the

general discussed idea in Islam. The first word revealed on Prophet PBUH was 'Iqra' (اقرأ), which means to read. The difference between educated and illiterate is mentioned at multiple time in Holy Book. Moreover, from global perspective education is widely discussed phenomenon. Unfortunately, education has never been a priority of Pakistani state. Education has the potential to address Pakistan's political and economic insecurities. So, it is the need of the hour to make education as first priority of state. In Pakistan, vocational training, integration of technology and budget allocation are the priorities to adopt while reforming education system. The need to address the challenges of poor infrastructure, expensive education and lack of entrepreneurship.

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