

Brain Drain and Family Strain: The Impact of Immigration on Pakistani families.

Outline:

① Introduction.

Thesis statement:

"While a large number of Pakistanis are immigrating to foreign countries due to economic and education motivations, it has led to ^{not only} Brain drain but ^{has} also impacted social life of Pakistani families."

② The pushing forces behind motivation:

a. Economic motivations

- (i) higher pays in foreign countries. ~~for~~
- (ii) lesser job opportunities in Pakistan. (ones available are taken over through ~~the~~ intercession leaving talented people with no option to migrate);
- (iii) American Dream still relevant to this day but now altered in the form - relevant to other countries as well.

b. Educational Motivation

(i) Not enough resources available for higher education
 (ii) Scholarships available seem to be a good opportunity for lower or even middle class families

(3) While the immigration may prove to bring momentary economic relief, it seems to have far reaching impacts on the life of Pakistani families both outside and within Pakistan.

a - Emotional costs of separation:

(i) diasporic feelings in people living abroad and longing to reconnect with their families.

(ii) lack of enough connection with ^{the} parent away in case of children may result in ^{too} extreme personalities ie either become rebellious or grow up too fast and become too mature for their age

b - Changing gender roles and family dynamics.

(i) Burden on mothers have increased in cases where only father has immigrated.

(ii) Usually elder ~~child~~ son has to take over the responsibilities of father. Burdening them from a very young age results in psychological/behavioral issues.

(4) Despite its ^{negative} harmful impacts, the benefits of immigration are too alluring for distressed families to not give in to.

(i) If Pakistan's government wants to stop Brain drain before the time comes when there will be no talented resources left it must take following steps:

a- provide incentives and opportunities for talented

b- social support systems for separated families.

c- Ensure merit based recruitments in governmental posts.

(6) Conclusion.