

# The impact of Education on Poverty Reduction in South Asia

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## Abstract

Poverty in the world of today has had negative consequences on people’s life. In any society that has a high percentage of poor citizens, we see different diseases associated with it due to several reasons such as lack of education. Education is the gate for bright future, and it can change the way that people think about their life, and how they do things efficiently. Education can increase the people awareness about different aspect in their daily life; it teaches them different methods to stay healthy and stay away from diseases that could happen as a result of lack of knowledge. Education can help in reducing the number of poor people in any society. It will give them the opportunity to gain new knowledge and develop their skills in different fields.

## Identification of the Issue

### The Need

The success of any nation is based upon the level of education among their citizen. In the world of today, it is important for every country to invest more in their people through education. Education is the powerful weapon that can contribute in the development of any nation globally. Also, education helps to accomplish deep and long-life change by enhancing skills and ability of people to think beyond their needs and try to work on them. There are different types of education such as basic education and vocational education.

### Statement of Research Problem

This research will investigate the relationship between education and how it can helps to reduce poverty in south Asia, India and Pakistan, Any person who wishes to gain extra knowledge about education and poverty will benefit from the executive report finding by being able to see how the education can work effectively to minimize the poverty among people.

### Credibility

Articles and case studies were examined to present the information in this report. The finding presented will show what education can do in order to solve this problem, and how it can make huge change. The cited information shown comes from credible and valid and scholarly sources. The findings will be summarized in an outline for the education and poverty and how it

shows the deep impact among the society

### Literature Review

Eight sources are included in this research to investigate the relationship between Education and poverty in developing countries such as India and Pakistan, and how education can help young generation to learn new skills that will help them to be out of poverty. From the literature found, answers to the following questions were found:

- 1) Does the education help to reduce poverty rate?
- 2) Does the skills that student learn through education help to increase income leader?

The following hypotheses are put

forward to study:

1. Education helps to reduce poverty rate in developing countries such as India and Pakistan.
2. Education helps to learn new skills that can help people increase their income.

Dependent Variable	Education Role in Developing countries.
Independent Variable	Reducing Poverty rate(learn new skills)
Extraneous Variable	Male or female.

### Importance of Education in Community

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Education is the gate to create a bright future to all humans. It is a need to everyone as food and others necessities. Education can play significant role to change any nation dignity because it provide the basic roles to understand the things that surrounding us, and learn how to deal with it positively. Also, it raises the awareness level of people about importance of be educated to contribute in development of nation. The social impact of education to women is decreasing mortality rate that will help women to understand how they deal with this issue. Durston & Nashire (2001) stated, "one year of a mother's education being associated with a 9% decrease in under-éve mortality". Moreover, education can families to be out of poverty, and improve their quality of life, which will contribute in economy development. Educate those who could effect changes in policies that could significantly reduce, perhaps even alleviate, these conditions of deprivation within which many live out their entire lives (Dhillon, 2011).

### **Education and Poverty**

Education is the Instrument of livelihood nowadays. Poverty and educated people don't stay together. Through education people can learn many skills that help them to use their ability to improve their lives. It enables them to enter the job market, and get the jobs that match their skills. According to Durston & Nashire (2001) mentioned, "Education raises the productivity of the poor's major asset, their labour, and results in higher income. The educated poor are more likely to adopt new technologies, hence get a higher return on their land, and to link into a wider range of self-employment opportunities". Education has a direct impact to reduce poverty because it helps people to earn money and raise their income. In developing countries, Investing in education to teach children has positive returns on everyone. Awan & others (2011) said " Investment in education, Increases the skills and productivity of poor households. It enhances the income level as well as the overall standard of living (human development). The social return of investment in education at developing countries is much higher than the rich countries (Awan & others, 2011). Tarabini & Jacovkis (2012) said, "Investment in education makes it possible to

empower the poor, to enhance their opportunities and to increase their capacity to create income and participate in economic growth.

### **Education and income**

The educated people have higher opportunity to maximize their income in developing countries such as Pakistan. Investment in education makes it possible to empower the poor, to enhance their opportunities and to increase their capacity to create income and participate in economic growth (Tarabini & Jacovkis, 2011). For example, in Pakistan; it has been found that monthly earnings of an individual worker increased by 7.3 percent with an additional year of schooling (Awan & others, 2011). So the more you learn, the more benefit will come to you. According Awan & others (2011) to Each additional year of schooling level increased earnings by 3 percent at primary level, by 5 percent at secondary level, and by 7.1 to 8.2percent at higher/tertiary level. Each additional year of technical training increased earnings by 2.5 percent. Therefore, it is quite evident that education can increase the earning potential of the poor and they become productive. These evidences show the relationship between education and poverty reduction.

### **Conclusions**

The literature researched provided answers to the relationship between education and poverty reduction; and how education play impactful role to decrease the poverty rate in developing countries. The implications of the findings of this research are that the link between learning new skills and earing more money and be out of poverty as result.

### **Approaches**

There are two cases researched that illustrated successful applications of education in developing countries. It provides facts and statistic of out come of education and how it affects the quality of life for poor community.

### **Implications of Findings**

This research examines the importance of education in developing countries and how to learn new skills can be gate out of poverty. This report also examines studying one more

schooling year, and how it has high return on people when they get a job. The implications of findings suggest that the more learning opportunities in developing countries such as India and Pakistan, the higher chance to get high salary and promoting in work place.

### Recommendations

The recommendation is to invest more in people through education to teach them new skills and enable them to earn money, which can be used to lead to successful change. The education reform should include the following:

1. Basic education that give people the chance to learn the basics skills such as reading and writing.
2. Improve higher education system because it will let student learn different sciences and skills that will be beneficial to them
3. Concentrate on vocation training program can have meaningful impact on people because they will learn advanced skills.

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