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Pakistan's Education Crisis

- Pakistan has the second highest population of out-of-school children in the world.
- 24 million children between the ages of 5 and 16 are out of school that's almost half of all children in the country
- 55% of girls and 45% of boys are out of school.
- Primary school enrollment rate 80%
- Overall drop out in 10 years of schools Over 85%

Poor quality of education, lack of basic facilities, harsh behavior of teachers result in high student absenteeism and drop-out rate.



CARE Foundation – Changing Lives through Education

CARE Foundation came into being as a result of the terrible floods in the Punjab in 1988. CARE built its first school in a flood-devastated area which opened its doors in 1991.

CARE introduced:

- the curriculum from the best private school in the country with a vision of equality of opportunity for all.
- the best teaching methodologies.
- student-centered classroom approach.

The Impact

- Students started coming from far and wide
- Enrolments increased and soon the school started running in double-shift
- The second and third school were built in other rural areas subsequently



CARE's School Adoption Program through Public-Private Partnership

- As a result of CARE's good results in its own schools, Government approached CARE in 1998 to adopt some of its failing schools.
- CARE pioneered/created the concept of public-private partnership in Pakistan by adopting 10 schools
- CARE provided infrastructure/ missing facilities such as furniture, Science labs, libraries, lights, fans, drinking water and most importantly the CARE.
- CARE provided trained teachers and most importantly CARE's ethos and methodology.



The Impact

- Massive increase in enrollment.
- Drop out rate decreased to under 10%
- Matriculation pass rate 82 %
- A & A+ grades 32 %
- Enrollment increase Average over 400 %
- Every year CARE was requested to adopt more schools across Pakistan.

CARE runs 876 schools nationwide out of which 843 are government schools.

CARE Facts

- Double shift schools 93
- Number of Schools 876
- Current Student Enrollment 275,000
- CARE School Graduates to-date 100,000

CARE's model is highly scalable, replicable and cost-effective.



Key Findings

- Even the most poverty-stricken people understand if the quality of education provided is of value or not.
- The government schools stand empty because the quality of education provided is extremely poor.
- We have created schools where we provide the best quality of education with love and respect.
- Education is a great equalizer but only an equal education equalizes.

**Given the right exposure to children, we found that the most amazing results
have come out of the most unlikely places.**



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It is our endeavor to **provide quality marketable education** to all.

CARE Foundation views its work as nation building: by **empowering** our children with a solid education, we hope to make them better, more productive members of the society.

We at CARE Foundation hope and pray that one day these children will help build a **happier and more prosperous** world.