



GIRL CHILD-INTERNATIONAL DAY 2018

“WITH HER: A SKILLED GIRL FORCE”

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Pakistan currently has the largest generation of young people ever in its history, with about two-thirds of the total population under 30 years of age.

This includes children under 15 who will be tomorrow's youth.

While, youth cohort defined as those between 15-29 years of age, currently forms nearly a third of the country's total population.

As a section of the populace that is transiting to adulthood, this 'youth bulge' will prove to be either a dividend or a disaster for the country, depending on if Pakistan invests in youth by providing them with quality education, quality employment, and meaningful engagement opportunities.

However, it is imperative to invest in the youth now, today, while they are still youth; not only to enhance the personal wellbeing of the youth but also to enhance the country's human development.

(Source: UNDP Pakistan launched its second National Human Development Report - *Unleashing the potential of a Young Pakistan* authored by Dr. Adil Najam and Dr. Faisal Bari.)

FEEL IT WILL NOT CHANGE



36% FEEL IT WILL BE BLEAK

LITERACY



70%

LITERATE

30%

ILLITERATE

TRANSPORTATION

12%

HAVE MOTORCYCLES



01%

HAVE CARS

77%

HAVE NONE OF THE ABOVE



10%

HAVE BICYCLES

16%

1-5 YEARS OF EDUCATION ACQUIRED

40%

6-10 YEARS OF EDUCATION ACQUIRED

09%

11-12 YEARS OF EDUCATION ACQUIRED

06%

MORE THAN 12 YEARS OF EDUCATION ACQUIRED

29%

NO EDUCATION ACQUIRED



Unleashing the Potential of a Young Pakistan

PAKISTAN NATIONAL HUMAN DEVELOPMENT REPORT

EMPLOYMENT STATUS



39% EMPLOYED



OUT OF THESE 39
32 MALE
07 FEMALE



04% NOT WORKING BUT SEEKING JOBS



OUT OF THESE 04
02 MALE
02 FEMALE



57% NEITHER WORKING NOT SEEKING JOBS



OUT OF THESE 57
16 MALE
41 FEMALE



Unleashing the Potential of a Young Pakistan

PAKISTAN NATIONAL HUMAN DEVELOPMENT REPORT

07% FEEL THEIR LIFE IS BETTER THAN THEIR PARENTS

10% FEEL IT IS THE SAME

15% FEEL WORSE OFF

VOTING



80%

VOTED IN PAST ELECTIONS (AMONGST REGISTERED VOTERS)

20%

DID NOT VOTE IN PAST ELECTIONS

MOBILE PHONE

52%

OWN A MOBILE PHONE

48%

DO NOT OWN A MOBILE PHONE



SOME KEY BATTLES OF A GIRL CHILD IN PAKISTAN

**MALNUTRITION &
CONSEQUENCES**



**CHILD LABOUR &
EXPLOITATION**



**CHILD MARRIAGE &
UNDER 18 PREGNANCY
& SAFE DELIVERY**



Girls (%)

Boys (%)

Had to help with work

29 51

Child not willing to continue

Child not willing to continue

28 35

Had to help with work

Parents do not allow

27 15

Education is expensive

Education is expensive

17 9

Other

School too far

13 5

School too far

Other

7 3

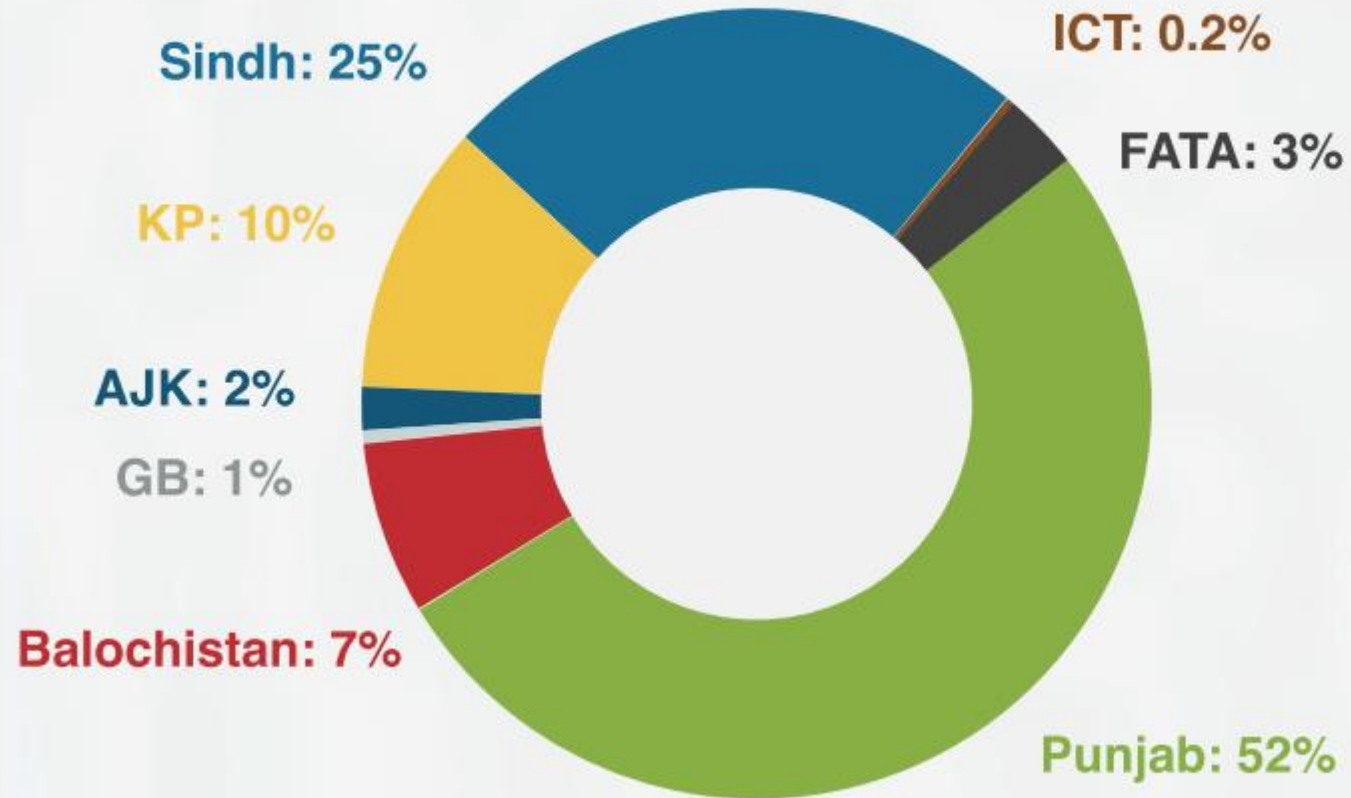
Parents do not allow

Got married

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GIRL CHILD EMPOWERMENT IN PAKISTAN

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU?

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO US?

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO UNFPA?

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO PAKISTAN?

