

## ENGLISH ASSIGNMENT

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#### Technical Education

Technical Education provides training in skills and information to deal with tools and machines used in all fields of life. Its main objective is to produce skilled workers for better performance at their job places. They are trained to set up and use modern technology in their professions. It enhances not only personal skills but also the job opportunities of the people. It ensures self-respect and dignity of labor in society.

**“Dexterity is better than philosophy.”**

Pakistan is basically an agricultural country. 70% <sup>of</sup> its population is engaged in agriculture and agro-based industry. Our export is also related to the agro-based industry. Most of our raw material is exported due to a lack of industrial infrastructure. We can earn better foreign exchange if we have more industries, yet Pakistan is one of the worst performers in terms of technical and vocational education and training. It should use an effective development and implementation strategy for the promotion of technical education to harness its young potential.



According to the Department of Education, dropout rates at primary and secondary levels are 44.1% and 40.1% respectively. Our schools and colleges produce men who are fit only to be clerks. Our youth hanker after office jobs. They dislike working in factories and hate to learn practical skills. That is why unemployment is on rise in the country. The annual increase in youth unemployment is estimated at 1.5 million. Joblessness also results in poverty and crime.

**"Schodding does not assure employment, but skill does."**

There are a number of problems in the country's TVET (technical and vocational education and training). There are only 3,798 TVET institutes in Pakistan. They have a limited capacity as they can accommodate only half a million trainees. TVET institutes have obsolete curricula. More importantly, people view it as below status and are not willing to opt for it. In this regard, Pakistan should learn from developed industrial countries like Japan and Germany. These two countries positively transformed their economies after World War II through a laser-beam focus on technical and vocational education.

In the present age of science and information technology, vocational and technical education is



very much important- to meet- the need of the time.

Technical and IT experts are needed to run and maintain machines and tools in every sphere of life. The economic prosperity of our country also depends upon its skilled workers. Rapid economic growth is only possible with the use of computers in the technology of modern hardware and software. It needs qualified technical experts to set up and run modern technology in the field of trade, commerce, agriculture, and industry. Technical Education also helps to free society from unemployment, child labor, street-crime, begging, and other social vices. It can help solve the problem of unemployment in our country.

**"The great aim of education is not knowledge but action."**

Pakistan requires a comprehensive plan for vocational and technical education at the national level. It should be started at the secondary and higher secondary levels. The government should increase the number of technical institutes in every district. The youngsters should be guided and motivated to understand the dignity of labor and get vocational and technical education to meet the challenges of the present time. Especially, women should be encouraged to share the economic burden of society by getting vocational and technical education. In this way, skilled workers will



be able to get the job easily. They can also manage their own setup and earn their livelihood.

Besides, the government should engage the private sector to boost the relevance and capacity of the technical education system. Big and small industries should be encouraged to collaborate with technical education institutes to define the curricular requirements and provide skill development and employment for students graduating from these institutes.

In a nutshell, technical education can serve a number of purposes for Pakistan. It might change the whole picture of our education. The country can have useful citizens instead of mere clerks. Our industrial workforce may be of high quality. With the passage of time, Pakistan will be able to have a young generation that believes in the dignity of work. They are employed in their field of choice and are living a happy life. Technical education can let us have that day soon!