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Essay: "Technical Education"

"Science is a key which unlocks for mankind a state of nature."

In the present day of keen competition and hard struggle, general education is found to be sadly insufficient to earn for man his livelihood. The number of men with general education is countless and all the various departments where these men can be provided jobs are literally packed. The unemployment problem is mounting everyday so unrest and discontent are daily gaining ground.

Technical education means teaching students and others some practical or mechanical art. It includes training

in trade, commerce, weaving, agriculture, medicines and engineering. It helps to meet the needs of today's world of machines. Those who get such education become technical experts or technicians.

Technical education plays a very private role in modern age. It produces engineers, builders, doctors and technicians. It promotes material and economic development. People begins to have faith in dignity of labour. We can earn a lot of foreign remittances by supplying technical labour to other countries, which are always in need in the developing as well as in the developed countries.

"Man loves to wonder and that is seed of science."

Technical education is lacking in Pakistan. Our schools and colleges produce individuals who are fit to work. Our youth bankers

office jobs. They dislike working in factories and hate to learn practical skills. This is why unemployment is on rise in country. Poverty in Pakistan is due to neglect of technical education.

Our country is rich in raw material resources, but we cannot enjoy the advantage only because we are not equipped with any technical knowledge.

“Science is nothing but trained and organized common sense.”

Pakistan is a developing country. We need to build new roads, bridges, hospitals, dams. For this, we need engineers and skilled workers; we should be able to use our natural resources like coal, gas and electricity to develop Pakistan.

In all the major cities of Pakistan, technical schools and institutions are being opened every year. The idea of 'dignity of labour' should be promoted

among the young. They should be encouraged to get technical education for a bright future. In spite of the immense value of technical education, the attitude of educated people towards it is not what it should be.

In short, technical education makes a country rich, prosperous and resourceful but it has certain limitations also. Too much of Technical education changes a man into machine. We should never lose our sense of proportion. We should also have a complement of liberal education in technical education.

“A man of science is just a student of nature and derives his inspiration from her.”