



EDUCATION

Educated individuals make healthier, more economically advantageous life choices and are more likely to engage in their communities through democratic participation. The United States and Pakistan partner in key areas to provide quality basic education and market-based workforce development training and research geared towards meeting the needs of the 21st century.

Our Impact:

- Over the past six years, Built or repaired more than 1,135 schools across Pakistan since 2011.
- Trained over 25,000 teachers and school administrators since 2014.
- Provided over 17,000 scholarships for talented and financially disadvantaged students to attend tertiary education in Pakistan over the past eight years.
- Reached more than 660,000 primary-level learners through reading program.

Improving Basic Education

Literacy is the foundation of learning. Since 2013, the United States has improved Pakistani children's reading skills by providing reading instructional materials to classrooms, training thousands of teachers in new reading instruction techniques, and encouraging schools to dedicate more classroom time for reading. USAID is also investing in teachers by building or repairing 17 Faculty of Education buildings across Pakistan and providing over 3,100 scholarships under the Pakistan Reading Project so teachers can earn their education degrees.



Increasing Access to Basic Education

Every child deserves a high-quality education. USAID is building schools in underserved communities like Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and the Federally Administered Tribal Areas. The United States believes societies thrive when girls and boys, regardless of origins or personal circumstances, have equal opportunity for education. USAID supports efforts nationwide to address barriers that keep students from enrolling and staying in school, and is providing emergency education to communities displaced by natural disasters and violent conflict.



Through implementation of the United States Strategy to Empower Adolescent Girls, USAID is committing \$70 million and is working jointly with the Government of Pakistan and other partners to help educate and empower more than 200,000 adolescent girls across Pakistan.

Cultivating a Culture of Higher Education



USAID and the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan established the Merit and Needs Based Scholarship Program for deserving, but financially constrained students who could not otherwise afford to earn their degrees.

To strengthen a culture of applied research, USAID launched the U.S. Pakistan Centers for Advanced Studies (USPCAS) in 2015. USPCAS connects three U.S. universities with expertise in energy, agriculture, and water with four Pakistani universities to modernize curricula, conduct joint research, and foster student and faculty exchanges.

