

HISTORY

The AASP was launched by SEF in 1997, with the approval of Government of Sindh, to support public sector schooling system through the involvement of the private sector. It was conceived by Prof. Anita Ghulam Ali (S.I)

PROGRAM SUCCESSES

- Program running successfully since 15 years.
- Significant contributions in government schools by adopters (Infrastructure, teachers, extra curriculum facilities)
- Mobilizing support from the private sector.
- AASP currently has 167 adopted schools in 12 Districts and 50 plus in the pipeline (that has been screened out this year). This has come a long way from only 7 schools in 1998.
- Program Budget of approximately 2 Million in 2013
- School support visits
- Field visits in interior Sindh by AASP team to carry out Need Assessments.
- Teachers trainings and Students Assessments
- Work plans and School Development Plans.
- Transparency in the form of Need Assessment, Screening and Steering Committee Meetings.
- Old adopters come back for more school adoption

CONCERNS OF THE ADOPTERS

- The adopter should have more freedom/power in running of the school in terms of curriculum, hiring and firing of teachers, HT and HM.
- Strategies should be made to better improve the relation between HT/HM and adopter.
- More (direct) funds should be made available from the government to the adopter for running/maintenance of the school
- Action should be taken against inactive adopters, as to remove them from the list of adopters.
- Adoption time should not be restricted to 3-10 years.
- Adoption process is too long and tedious. It should be made shorter.
- Delays take place at the district administration level. Therefore greater support from their side should be mobilized
- As per SNE, gatekeeper and sweepers are not available in the primary schools. Hence provisions should be made accordingly.
- There should be more subject teachers available at the secondary level
- A process should be made to consolidate the schools that have a requirement.
- Encroachment in all schools should be removed. They cause obstructions for teachers, students staff and adopters.

RECOMMENDATIONS

SEF is successfully running AASP since 15 years. The proof is in the before and after pictures of schools and students. SEF is willing to continue to run it and continue facilitating the Education Department in every possible manner. SEF only requests the government to address the concerns of adopters.

SEF wants to expand this program by:

- Focusing on opening more Higher Secondary schools.
- Co-branding and tie-ups with other schools that transfers our students in private sector. (E.g.: Get 10 brilliant students annually from underprivileged areas and give them scholarships)