

Right to Education, SDG 4 and the Role of the Legal Fraternity

Training Report

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Pakistan remains challenged by multiple crises in the education sector with 22.8 million children within 5-16 age group not in school; those in school suffer due to poor learning levels. The challenge of OOSC and those in school and at risk is immense adding to the global learning crisis. Realizing the need for creating awareness and engaging the legal fraternity in a justiciable Right to Education as enshrined in the constitution of the country under Article 25-A, ITA, in collaboration with the Punjab Bar Council and with support from FOSI Pakistan, organized a training session regarding Right to Education and SDG 4 for the legal fraternity at the Qaid-e-Azam Hall, Rawalpindi Bar Association on 13th December, 2019.



The session was chaired by the President Rawalpindi Bar Association and was attended by over 250 participants comprising of experienced lawyers, young lawyers and law students.

The training was divided into two parts. During the first session, Mr. Rashid Mafzool Zaka (Senior Director General - Research and Legislation, Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services) informed the participants about the functioning of the parliament and the modalities of article 25-A. He also shared various avenues that lawyers can explore for the implementation of Article 25-A. This was followed by the second session by Ms. Baela Raza Jamil (CEO, ITA) who discussed the importance of Right to Education as a fundamental right.





Agenda – 13th December, 2019

Sr. #	Details	Time
1	Registration of Participants	9:30 am – 10:00 am
2	Welcome Note – Punjab Bar Council	10:00 am – 10:10 am
2	Session 1: Overview of Parliamentary Procedures and Parliament's role in ensuring Article 25-A/Right to Education – Mr. Muhammad Rashid Mafzool Zaka, Senior Director General (Research and Legislation), Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services.	10:10 am – 11:10 am
3	Session 2: Importance of SDG 4/RTE and role of the legal fraternity – Ms. Baela Raza Jamil, CEO, Idara-e-Taleem-o-Aagahi	11:10 am – 12:10 pm
4	Closing Remarks – Punjab Bar Council	12:10 pm – 12:20 pm
5	Refreshments	12:20 pm – 1:00 pm