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Executive Summary

Pakistan, specifically, can be defined with a nation with some of the major issues associated with the education of young girls. With a female literacy of 45%, which drops to 25% in poorest families, Pakistan requires a reformation of the academic system in the country. The audience or the student base within this sector is very high. This, as a result, makes Pakistan an ideal location to enhance the education of girl child as well as the quality services within the education sector of Pakistan.

This paper, therefore, aims at launching a schooling chain in Pakistan – starting from Peshawar KPK – that will aim at enhancing the levels of female education within the country. The following paper contains the situational analysis of Pakistan education sector. In addition to that, it also recommends some move that can be used by the concerned individuals to enhance the quality of their work.

In order to develop an in-depth analysis of the target market, the researcher made use of a range of strategic models including: SWOT Analysis, PESTLE analysis, porters five forces model, and stakeholder analysis. The data collected from these models provided a base for the formulation of business strategy. It also provided an insight into the ways in which the value proposition of the business was designed.

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Flight – A Women Education Schooling Chain in Pakistan

1. Introduction

Pakistan is one of the states with lowest rate of literacy in the South Asian region. The literacy rates among women stand at alarmingly low at 45%. This is more severe in the rural areas where the overall female literacy rate drops down to 25%. The female members of the society are constrained by a number of social, cultural and economic pressures that hinder them from attaining basic schooling. As the levels of poverty are usually high in the rural regions, the women are restricted to productive activities, such as farming and sewing. In addition to that, no proper schools are available for females, which lead towards a reduction in the number of females attaining education. As most of the women in the region remain uneducated, therefore, the change agents that can create an alteration in the mainstream mindset are not created. This issue, therefore, will be addressed by the paper under consideration (VirginiaTech University 2012).

The paper aims at proposing the development of a schooling chain within the rural areas of Pakistan. The development of this chain will enable the young girls, within the rural areas, to gain an access to quality education. This, as a result, will not only enhance the chances of longterm development in the country but will also eliminate a range of social evils from the community.

2. Evaluation and Analysis

2.1. Current Status of Female Education in Pakistan

The lack of female education within the nation can be established on the basis of the following facts:

2.1.1. Largest Number of Children out of School

Pakistan is observed to have the largest number of children that do not attend schools. It has been indicated by a research that only 68 percent of the girls aged between 15 and 23 years have the ability to read and write their names. 83 percent of the boys pertaining to the same age group, on the other hand, have the ability to read and write their names (Annual Status of Education Report Pakistan 2016).

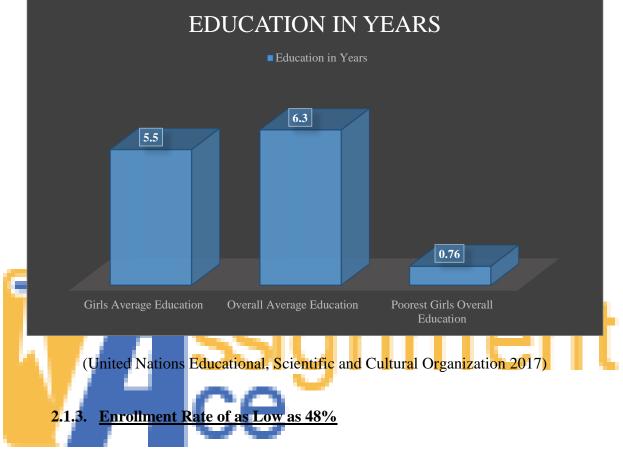
(Annual Status of Education Report Pakistan 2016)

In addition to that, around 11.1 million students, belonging to the age group of primary and lower secondary school, did not go to schools in Pakistan (Annual Status of Education Report Pakistan 2016).

2.1.2. Average 5.5 Years of Average Schooling among Girls

In the year 2012, it was observed that most of the girls in Pakistan completed only 5.5 years of education at an average. This was relatively low when compared to the overall average, which ranged up to 6.3 years. The girls belonging to poorest of the families, on the other hand,

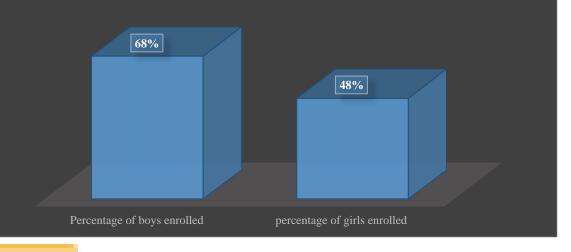
were observed to complete only 0.76 years of education (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization 2017).



It was also observed by a research that the around 48 percent of the girls belonging to poorest families in Pakistan were enrolled in proper schools. This rate, again, was very low when compared to the enrollment rate of boys belonging to the same socio economic class, which was observed to be 68 percent (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization 2013).

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT RATE AMONG POOREST CHILDREN

School Enrollment Rate Among Poorest Children



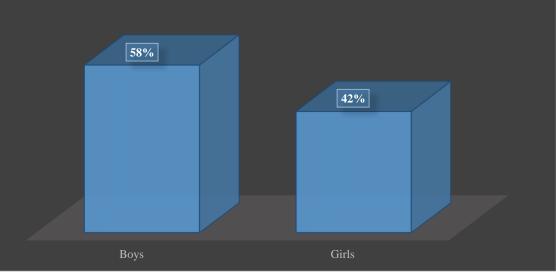
(United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization 2013)

2.1.4. <u>Representation of Girls in the Secondary Schooling System</u>

It has been observed by the research that the secondary school composition within Pakistan is also very uneven with girls representing only 42 percent of the overall secondary school strength of the nation. In addition to that, it has also been observed that only 1 out of each 10 girls has the opportunity to complete her secondary school education within Pakistan. This, as a result, reduces the rate of female education within the country (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization - Institute for Statistics 2017).

SECONDARY SCHOOL COMPOSITION

Secondary School Composition



(United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization - Institute for Statistics 2017)

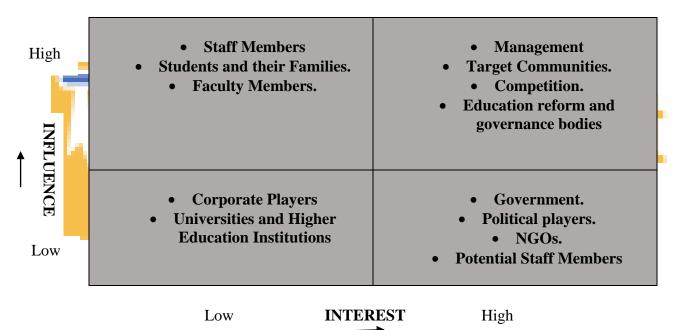
2.2 <mark>. PESTLE</mark> AI						
	PESTLE Analysis					
Political	The political environment of Pakistan is very unstable. The consistent					
	issues raised by different political players have a very high probability of					
	disrupting the day to day operations of the education industry. As a whole,					
	the instability will not be in the control of the schooling chain, hence it					
	can be treated as a factor that shall be considered as one of the key issues					
	that may hinder the business operations.					
Economic Pakistan is one of the developing economies, therefore, the econo						
	the nation is not very strong. The country faces some major issues,					
	including poverty, low standards of living, inflation, low purchasing					
	power, and instable foreign exchange rates.					
Social	Social norms within the country are not much supportive of girls'					
	education, which is the basic objective of this business program. The					
	society places women at a position which is restricted to household chores					
	and reproduction activities. Boys, on the other hand, stand at a much					
	privileged state. Specifically in the rural areas and within poorer families					
	the girl child is privy to a number of threats, including early marriage,					
	physical abuse, and unfair treatment.					
Technological	Technologically the country stands far behind the rest of the world. This					
	is justified by the fact that it is a developing nation, therefore, much of the					
	resources are invested in the satisfaction of the basic needs of the people.					
	Technological development, therefore, is not a properly addressed issue.					

Legal	The laws and regulations associated with education within the country are very vague. This weak governance of educational sector can be justified by the fact that lack of required facilities, including furniture and in some cases infrastructure, within a number of schools that are run by the government. This is one of the major reason that most of the children remain uneducated in Pakistan.
Environmental	Environmentally, the economy does not pay a large degree of focus on the environmental issues. This can again be attributable to the fact that it is a developing economy with more focus on basic problems.

(School Education Department, Government of Punjab 2012; UNESCO Inter-sectoral Platform

Project 2015)

2.3. Stakeholder Analysis



The analysis shows that corporate players and higher educational institutions are least important for the organization. This is because the company does not operate in the area of their operations. However, they may become potential competitors for the company.

The government, political players, NGOs, and potential staff members (Such as university pass outs and people in the development sector) fall in the show consideration category. These shall be kept informed about the activities of the business as they can turn out to

be the supporters of the business. In addition to that, given the nature of issue addressed by the organization, most of these players can become its ambassadors.

The staff and faculty members as well as the students and their families come under the meet their need category. These are one of the key stakeholders of the organization. The organization will take keen interest in their activities, making sure all their needs are satisfied. This will ensure that these stakeholders promote the cause of the organization to other potential students as well as staff members.

Lastly, management, competition, target communities, and education governance and reform bodies are the key players for the organization. This is because all of them have the ability to influence the activities of the organization. The target communities, for example, are the determinants of the success of the organization. If immense pressure is exerted on the parents and the students from the communities, then there is a high probability that no one will be willing to a part of the schooling chain (School Education Department, Government of Punjab 2012; UNESCO Inter-sectoral Platform Project 2015).

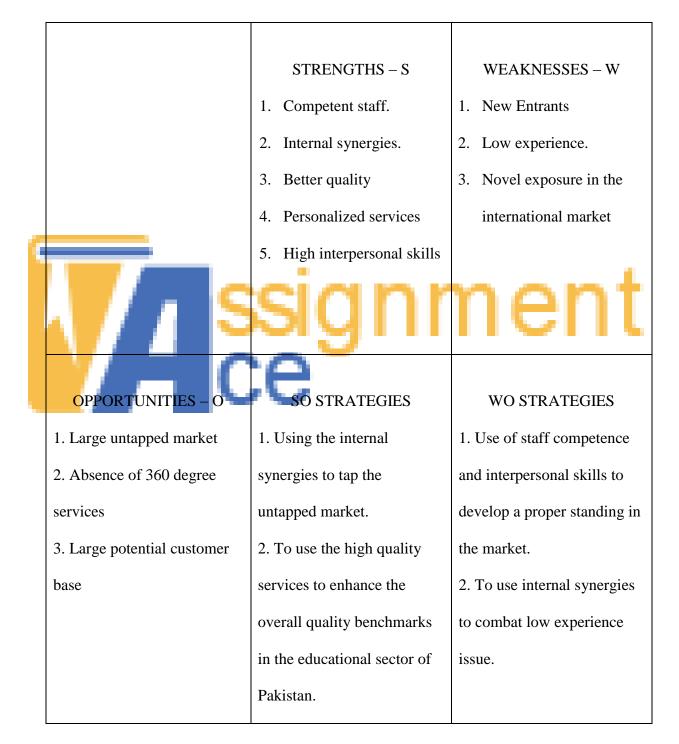
2.4.Porter's	Five	Forces	Analysis
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Force	Strength	Description
Rivalry between	High	The rivalry between competitors is very high. This is because the
competitors		organizations do not have important differentiators to make their services
		stand out.
Barrier to entry	Low	The barriers to entry are low as a large number of schools, of varying
		nature and scale, exist in the educational sector of Pakistan.
Threat of substitutes	The threats of substitutes is very low as the nature of service provided by	
		the organization does not have many substitutes.
Buyer Power	High	The buyers, in this case students, have a very high bargaining power.
		This is because of the fact that most of the parents are not willing to send
		their children to schools. In addition, the large number of schools also
		provide the parents with a wider variety of choice.
Supplier Power Low The supplier power is low beca		The supplier power is low because of the nature of business. As most of
		the operations directly by the business and it is the service sector,
		therefore, the suppliers do not have high bargaining power.

(School Education Department, Government of Punjab 2012; UNESCO Inter-sectoral Platform

Project 2015

2.5. SWOT Analysis





(School Education Department, Government of Punjab 2012; UNESCO Inter-sectoral Platform

Project 2015)

3. Business Start-up Proposal

3.1. The value proposition

Standing out in the educational sector of Pakistan can be a tough task as the competition is very high. In order to ensure that the organization attains its mission of providing the girl child with education, the organization will not only provide the formal schooling services to the girls but will also extend home tutoring services. The girls will be registered with the schools, while

taking tuitions at the home. This enable the girls, who are not allowed to leave homes for education, to get an access to quality education. In the urban areas, on the other hand, a schooling chain with different curriculum will be opened up (Ansoff 2014).

3.2. The value creation and delivery system

The schooling chain will be a change agent within the society of Pakistan. With its initiation the females of the society will have a perception of becoming responsible children of Pakistan. The value created through this 360 degree high quality education services will be delivered to the target audience through the use of conventional schooling operations as well as personalized home tutoring services as well (Ansoff 2014).

3.3. Value capture

The two revenue streams that will be capturing value for the organization will be the urban and the rural schooling. Even though the rural chain will be more of an NGO but the urban chain will operate as a business entity. Hence the urban schooling chain can be regarded as one of the key determinants of the profits of the organization (Ansoff 2014).

3.4. Business Strategy

3.4.1. Strategy statement, objectives and actions

Statement 1 To ensure that every girl child has an access to quality education in Pakistan education within Pakistan.

Strategic Objectives

- 1. To make sure that best quality education is provided to the children so that they can excel in various national and international programs.
- 2. To make sure that the 85% potential target market is converted into actual target market

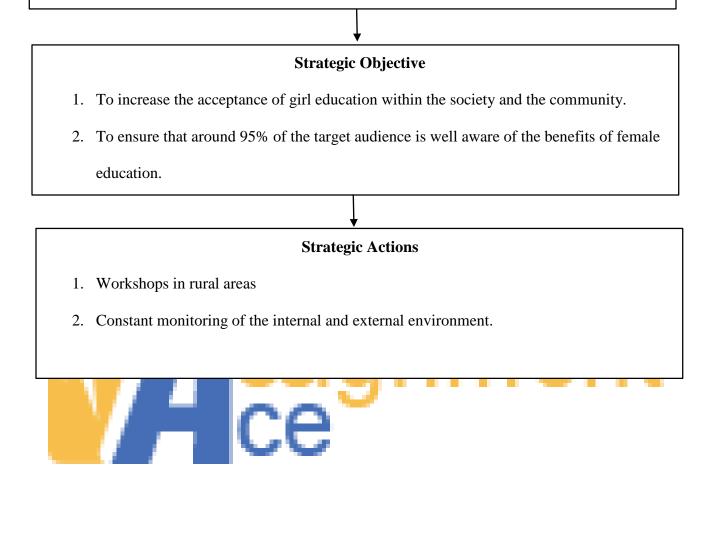
through the deployment of the right kind of resources (Ansoff 2014).

Strategic Actions

- 1. Development of a school in KPK.
- 2. Active communications sessions with the parents of potential students

Statement 2

Creating an environment where each girl child has an equal right to get educated.



3.4.2. <u>Performance targets</u>

- Enrolment rate of girls.
- Dropout rate of girls.
- > Number of international competitions attended.
- > Number of international competitions won.
- > Number of national academic competitions attended.
- Number of national academic competitions won (Ansoff 2014).



3.4.3. <u>Actions</u>

Action	Person	Location	Time	Procedures	Costs and
	Responsible				Revenues
Development of	Project	Peshawar -	18 th April	Finalization of	Costs will be
a school in KPK	Manager KPK	КРК	2017	the land,	around 2.5 million
				development of	PKR, with a profit
				the building	of 300 per child
				and	and a capacity of
				accommodation	1600 children.
				of furniture and	
				the required	
				hardware	
Workshops in	Project	Multiple	immediately	A wide of	1.6 million PKR
rural areas	Manager	locations		range of	will be the cost.
				workshops will	The workshops
				be planned and	have the ability to
				implemented in	attract at least 500
				the specified	students to the
				areas,	schools, which
		SSI	gn	me	will generate a revenue of 375,000 per month.
Activ <mark>e</mark>	Project	Peshawar -	Immediately	Direct	The costs will be
communications	management	KPK		marketing and	100,000. This will
sessions with	team	<u></u>		one to one	bring in 60
the parents of				sessions with	additional
potential				the students'	students, which
students				parents and	will increase the
				families.	revenue by
Constant	Project	Peshawar -	Immediately	Research	450,000 This will cost
monitoring of	Project	KPK	mineutately	ivescaleli	around 100,000
the internal and	management team				but will bring in
external					intelligent
environment.					information,
					which cannot be
					quantified with
					accuracy.
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(Ansoff 2014)

4. Conclusion

The educational sector of Pakistan has a lot of scope. This can be established on the basis of the fact that most of the fact that a large number of target audience still remains uneducated. In addition to that, around 40% of the population of the country is youth, which even expands the target audience base for the business. By launching a business with a 360 degree service and quality education, Flight will solve the problem of low female literacy rates within the country. In addition to that, it will also empower the women with the society of Pakistan, by providing them with a range of opportunities to grow and develop.



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