

RESOLUTION

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Addressing the Population Growth Rates in Pakistan

Recognizing the grave implications of the alarmingly high rate of population growth as revealed in the 2023 Population and Housing Census, and its adverse impact on

the State's ability to improve the welfare of its people, particularly in providing fundamental rights including access to education, healthcare, employment, housing, and shelter.

Acknowledging that current high rates of population growth have already placed immense pressure on the country's natural resources, undermining sustainable development in the past, and threatening even more dire impacts on inclusive economic growth, widening inequalities, and the unrelenting challenges of climate crises.

Affirming that every individual and couple has the right to freely and responsibly decide the number and spacing of their children, provided they are informed and supported to ensure that their family size balances their resources and their expectations of a dignified standard of living.

Reiterating that a reduction in population growth rates is essential for achieving both the objectives of national development and for investing in the human capital of the current population to ensure they reach their full potential and to ensure equitable access to opportunities for all.

This House, therefore, resolves that:

The Government of Pakistan, in full coordination with the leadership of the Provincial Governments, will take urgent and comprehensive measures to bring down the population growth rate to sustainable levels, aligned with the country's renewable and non-renewable resources.

This will be achieved by expanding access to reproductive health information and services, making these services more affordable for low-income populations- especially through social protection programs-and improving the quality of existing reproductive health services, particularly in underserved rural areas.

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