



Prime Minister's Youth Programme

The Kamyab Jawan Green Youth Movement aspires to promote a culture of eco-friendly across the country by spreading awareness and engaging the young generation to achieve the objectives of the “Clean and Green Pakistan” initiative. Deemed the third major pillar of the Prime Minister’s Youth Development Program, the Green Youth Movement will establish green clubs for students in different universities and provide them with opportunities to participate in green activities and Eco-innovation.

Promoting Low-Cost and Recycled Solutions for Sustainable Development (SDGs 9 and 12):

This idea addresses the challenges of high costs and limited resources by advocating for the use of affordable and recycled materials in infrastructure, products, and transportation. It promotes resource efficiency, waste reduction, and circular economy principles, contributing to sustainable development and environmental conservation.

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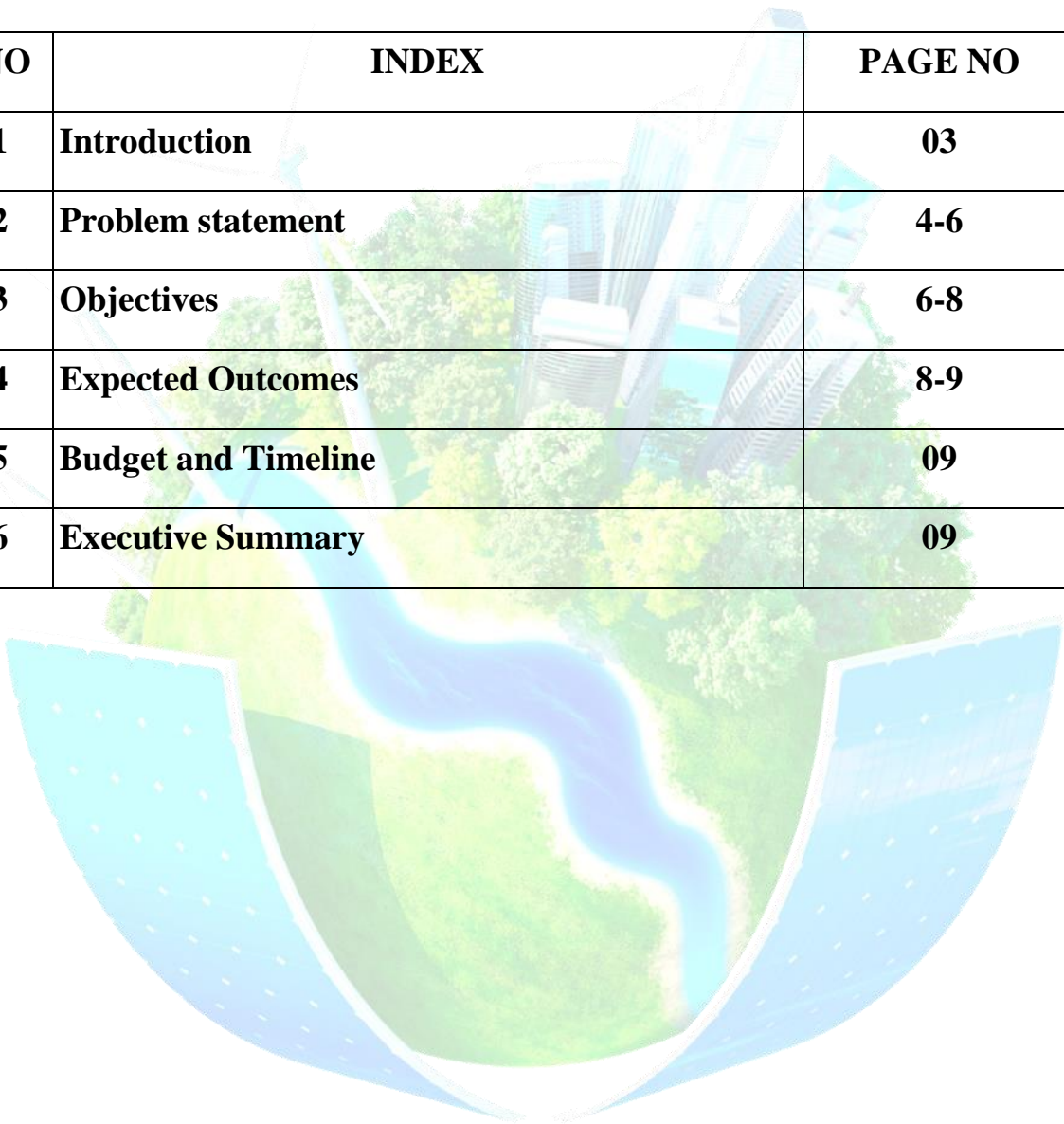
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INTRODUCTION:

Attention, visionaries and change-makers! Are you geared up to revolutionize the manner we approach sustainable improvement? Picture a world wherein contemporary solutions aren't the most effective but low-priced and additionally environmentally pleasant. An international wherein waste is converted into valuable resources, and industries thrive on innovative low-fee alternatives. This isn't always a distant dream but a truth taking shape right now.

Welcome to the realm of low-value and recycled solutions, the riding force behind Sustainable Development Goals 9 and 12. In a time described through pressing environmental demanding situations, we're on the cusp of a transformative paradigm shift. It's time to interrupt unfastened from resource-in-depth and expensive methods and embody a new generation of sustainability.

From recycled substances powering less costly housing to decentralized renewable energy systems, these solutions hold the key to a brighter future. But it would not stop there. By prioritizing low-cost and recycled answers, we empower groups, foster entrepreneurship, and create job possibilities. It's a win-win scenario for both human beings and the planet.

Join us as we discover inspiring achievement testimonies from around the sector, wherein individuals and corporations are already changing the game. Together, we can redefine what's possible and pave the way for a greater inclusive, eco-conscious society.

Get prepared to challenge the fame quo and be inspired by using the enormous capability of low-fee and recycled answers. It's time to make sustainable improvement handy to all and steady a better day after today.

PROBLEM STATEMENT:

1. Inadequate Access to Affordable Housing:

Access to affordable housing is a pressing challenge in Pakistan, particularly for low-income individuals and families. According to a report by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, approximately 40% of the urban population lives in slums or informal settlements, lacking proper housing facilities (source: Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, 2017). The rising population and limited affordable housing options have led to overcrowding, substandard living conditions, and an increase in homelessness.

For example, in urban areas such as Karachi and Lahore, the demand for affordable housing far exceeds the available supply. This has resulted in skyrocketing property prices, making it difficult for low-income individuals to secure safe and decent housing. The lack of affordable housing options exacerbates inequality, perpetuates the cycle of poverty, and hampers social and economic development.



2. Growing Waste Generation and Management Issues:

Pakistan is grappling with significant waste generation and management challenges. Rapid urbanization and population growth have led to increased waste production, overwhelming existing waste management systems.

According to the World Bank, Pakistan generates approximately 20 million tons of solid waste annually, with a projected increase of 3% per year (source: World Bank, 2019). Inadequate waste management infrastructure and practices contribute to environmental pollution, health hazards, and the degradation of natural resources.

For instance, the improper disposal of waste, including plastic, contributes to the pollution of water bodies and ecosystems. The Indus River, a major water source in Pakistan, is heavily contaminated with industrial and domestic waste, posing risks to human health and the environment. Effective waste management strategies, including recycling and up cycling initiatives, are vital to mitigate these challenges.



3. Scarce Resources and Unsustainable Consumption:

Pakistan's limited availability of resources, such as water, energy, and raw materials, presents significant challenges for sustainable development. According to the Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources, the country is currently facing a water shortage, and it is estimated that by 2025, Pakistan may become a water-stressed country (source: Pakistan Council of Research in Water Resources, 2020). Similarly, energy shortages and reliance on fossil fuels contribute to environmental degradation and hinder sustainable economic growth.

For instance, inefficient irrigation practices and water mismanagement contribute to water scarcity and reduced agricultural productivity. Unsustainable consumption patterns, such as excessive use of water and energy, further strain resources and contribute to ecological imbalances. Promoting resource-efficient practices and responsible consumption is crucial to ensuring the long-term availability and sustainability of resources.



4. High Costs of Infrastructure Development:

The high costs associated with infrastructure development pose a significant challenge to Pakistan's progress and access to essential services. Building transportation systems, energy grids, and communication networks requires substantial financial resources, making it challenging to provide adequate infrastructure, particularly in remote and underdeveloped areas.

For example, the construction of roads and highways in rural regions can be prohibitively expensive due to challenging terrain and logistical constraints. As a result, many remote communities lack proper road connectivity, limiting their access to markets, education, healthcare, and other essential services. Addressing the high costs of infrastructure development is crucial to bridging the urban-rural divide and promoting inclusive growth.



5. Economic Implications and Poverty Alleviation:

The challenges of high costs and limited resources have significant economic implications, perpetuating the cycle of poverty and hindering economic growth. Insufficient access to affordable housing, inadequate waste management, resource scarcity, and underdeveloped infrastructure contribute to economic inequalities and hinder poverty alleviation efforts.

For instance, inadequate housing options and substandard living conditions contribute to the marginalization of vulnerable populations, making it difficult for them to break free

OBJECTIVES:

1. Low-cost housing solutions:

Promote the use of affordable and sustainable building materials, such as recycled plastic, bamboo, or compressed earth blocks, for constructing low-cost housing units.

- Facilitate partnerships between housing authorities, NGOs, and private sector entities to develop innovative low-cost housing models using sustainable materials.
- Conduct research and pilot projects to demonstrate the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of low-cost housing solutions in different regions of Pakistan.
- Advocate for supportive policies and regulations that incentivize the adoption of low-cost housing practices and streamline the approval process for affordable housing projects.

2. Recycled and up cycled products:

Encourage the production and use of recycled and up cycled products, such as furniture, handicrafts, and packaging materials, to reduce waste and promote circular economy principles.

- Establish collaborations with local artisans, entrepreneurs, and recycling facilities to develop value-added products using recycled materials.

- Create platforms or marketplaces to showcase and promote recycled products, connecting producers with potential customers and buyers.
- Conduct awareness campaigns highlighting the economic and environmental benefits of purchasing and using recycled products, fostering a culture of responsible consumption.

3. Sustainable transportation options:

Promote the use of low-cost and environmentally friendly transportation solutions, such as bicycles, electric rickshaws, or shared mobility services, to improve accessibility and reduce carbon emissions.

- Partner with local municipalities and transportation authorities to introduce and expand affordable and sustainable transportation options in urban and rural areas.
- Conduct feasibility studies and pilot projects to assess the viability and potential impact of low-cost transportation solutions in different regions.
- Advocate for policies that support the development of cycling lanes, electric charging infrastructure, and integration of sustainable transportation options into urban planning.

4. Resource-efficient practices:

Advocate for resource-efficient practices in industries and manufacturing processes, such as water recycling, energy-efficient technologies, and waste reduction measures.

- Collaborate with industry associations, research institutions, and government agencies to develop guidelines and best practices for resource-efficient manufacturing.
- Provide technical assistance and training programs to businesses, helping them adopt energy-saving technologies and implement waste reduction strategies.
- Advocate for the integration of resource-efficient practices into national and local regulations, offering incentives for companies that demonstrate commitment to sustainability.

5. Awareness and capacity building:

Conduct awareness campaigns and capacity-building programs to educate communities and industries about the benefits of low-cost and recycled solutions, providing technical support and training.

- Organize workshops, seminars, and community engagement programs to raise awareness about the importance of sustainable practices and their direct impact on livelihoods and the environment.
- Collaborate with educational institutions to include sustainable development concepts in their curricula, promoting a culture of sustainability from an early age.

- Provide training and technical assistance to entrepreneurs and individuals interested in establishing recycling facilities or up cycling enterprises, building local capacity for sustainable development.

These objectives aim to directly address the identified problems by providing concrete actions to promote low-cost and recycled solutions, enhance resource efficiency, and foster sustainable practices in various sectors of Pakistan's economy.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES:

1. Increased availability and adoption of low-cost and recycled solutions for housing, infrastructure, and products.

- Greater access to affordable housing options, improving living conditions and reducing the housing gap for low-income individuals and families.
- Expansion of the market for recycled and up cycled products, stimulating economic growth and job creation in the sustainable manufacturing sector.

2. Reduced environmental impact through waste reduction, resource conservation, and carbon emissions reduction.

- Decreased waste generation and improved waste management practices, mitigating environmental pollution and preserving natural resources.
- Reduction in carbon emissions through the adoption of sustainable transportation options and resource-efficient practices, contributing to climate change mitigation efforts.

3. Enhanced access to affordable and sustainable infrastructure and transportation options.

- Improved connectivity and accessibility through the development of low-cost transportation solutions, promoting inclusivity and reducing transportation costs for communities.
- Increased availability of affordable and sustainable infrastructure, such as water and energy systems, contributing to improved living standards and economic development.

4. Improved livelihood opportunities for entrepreneurs, artisans, and manufacturers engaged in the production of low-cost and recycled products.

- Expansion of business opportunities and market demand for sustainable products, providing income-generating avenues for entrepreneurs and artisans.
- Capacity building and training programs enhancing the skills and knowledge of individuals in the production and marketing of low-cost and recycled solutions, enabling sustainable livelihoods.

5. Increased awareness and knowledge among communities and industries about the importance of responsible consumption and production.

- Heightened awareness of the benefits of low-cost and recycled solutions, leading to behavioral changes and increased demand for sustainable products.
- Adoption of resource-efficient practices by industries, reducing waste generation, optimizing resource utilization, and contributing to the overall sustainability of Pakistan's economy.

BUDGET AND TIMELINE:

The budget and timeline for this project will depend on the scope and scale of implementation, the number of sectors involved, and the specific activities undertaken. A detailed financial plan, considering potential funding sources and cost-effective approaches, will be developed during the project planning phase.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

This proposal focuses on promoting low-cost and recycled solutions for sustainable development in Pakistan, aligned with SDGs 9 and 12. By leveraging innovation and resource efficiency, we aim to address the challenges of high costs, limited resources, and environmental degradation. Our approach encompasses affordable housing, recycled products, sustainable transportation, resource-efficient practices, and awareness building. The expected outcomes include increased availability and adoption of low-cost and recycled solutions, reduced environmental impact, enhanced access to affordable infrastructure and transportation, improved livelihood opportunities, and increased awareness about responsible consumption and production. Join us in building a sustainable and prosperous Pakistan through the power of low-cost and recycled solution.

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