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## EDUCATION CRISIS! THE SOLUTION TO THE DILEMMA

**The best gift that parents  
and the community can  
give to the children and  
youth is Education.**

A sound education has a positive impact on the moral and socio-economic life of an individual and a family. Hence, SANZAF encourages institutions, parents and government to partner in devising strategies to improve Skills Training Development and Learner ship programmes to regulate gainful employment for the school leavers. The Educational System should be re-evaluated and from an early stage. Learners should be able to receive proper education and skills in order to secure a future career in accordance to their potential and choice. In order to achieve this, a proper infrastructure is needed at schools and appropriately qualified educators to prepare the youth for the future. Hence there is an urgent need for NGOs, parents and the community to negotiate with governmental authorities and tertiary institutions in redefining an educational policy. The primary objective of SANZAF is to promote Education and Youth Development Programmes in order to transform the youth into assets of society as well as their families. It is a fact that frustration, unemployment and an insecure future can be detrimental to the moral and spiritual values of the youth.

In the post apartheid era there has been a paradigm shift from the academic orientated

education to the skills training and development perspective. However this has not materialized to the fullest because governmental authorities are still grappling with restructuring the educational system to meet the demands of school leavers. Here the youth should be educated that it is not important what others can do for you, but what you can do for others. This aspect deals with career orientation, extra-mural activities, special talents of the youth which can be used to his/her advantage and to the advantage of others. There is a need for Skills Training and Development.

**In 1998 an Act was promulgated by owing to low levels of investment in South Africa. Disparity in income distribution, inequality of opportunity and poverty was the result of apartheid**

Two main priorities were identified i.e the need to improve skills and increase productivity in order to compete successfully in the global economy. Where there is a lack of parenting guidance and an absence of religion and culture there would be a decline in spiritual, moral and socio-economic progress of the youth and the family. Parents, educators, religious leaders and organizations should express genuine concerns in leading the youth to the path of righteousness through the medium of education and consistent motivation. Wisdom, patience unity and social security and education are the criteria to remedy the ills of society.

Positive results could be achieved by:

Organizing and instituting moral and spiritual education within the community.

Social interaction within the ambits of the fundamental teachings of Islam.

Leadership Training by affording them the opportunity of holding responsible positions in the community ranging from religious and secular education to social and community affairs.

Monitor the progress of youth development at all levels by effective communion and communication.

Exercising diplomacy and professionalism.  
**(Mawlana Dr Muhammad Fazl-ur-Rahman Ansari)**

Another de-motivating factor for learners who have excelled in matric is their denial to admission to tertiary institutions. The problem is aggravated by the governmental policies which does not take into consideration the merits and rights of minorities. In many cases top achievers have to seek admissions at tertiary institutions abroad which places family members in a financial and social predicament.

Education is a journey and not the ultimate destination. Dedication is the pre-requisite to a sound education.

**(Article-Journal: Education- Dr Rahim Ebrahim)**

# NINE FACTS & STATS OF THE BURSARY PROGRAMME

\*521 APPLICANTS APPROVED



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