

# Creating Demand for Approval of Sindh Youth Policy

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“Youth is our future and a nation with the largest proportion of youth population needs to explore this great asset,” said the Pakistan Peoples’ Party (PPP) Chairman Bilawal Bhutto Zardari. Mr. Chairman emphasized for approval of Sindh Youth Policy incorporated with visionary and far-reaching ideas for consuming the maximum youth potential for nation-building during a meeting with Special Assistant to Chief Minister Sindh MNA Mr. Ehsan Mazari.

These instructions to relevant authorities and serious attention towards approval of Sindh Youth Policy are result of a meeting of CSSP team held with Bilawal House Media Cell on 18 August 2015. CSSP team led by Mr. Noor Bajeer (Executive Director-CSSP) shared with Media Cell team headed by Mr. Jameel Soomro that since 18<sup>th</sup> amendment, youth affairs have become subject of provincial government and Sindh government has drafted its Youth Policy in 2012 but unfortunately after three years it has not been enacted yet. Mr. Jameel Soomro showed his keen interest in the matter and informed that Special Assistant to CM Sindh MNA Mr. Ehsan Mazari’s meeting is scheduled with Bilawal Bhutto Zardari and he committed that he will put the matter on top agenda of the meeting.

Later, on same day Mr. Ehsan Mazari met with PPP Chairman who said that since the passage of 18<sup>th</sup> amendment, every province has to pilot its own youth policy and the Sindh government needs to sort out the nitty gritty of its proposed youth policy to cater the needs of youth of both urban and rural areas. He stressed for equal opportunities for youth of entire province and asked him to seek inputs from all segments of the society before submitting it to the provincial assembly.

After the meeting with Bilawal Bhutto Zardari, Mr. Mazari instructed Secretary Sport and Youth Affairs Department Government of Sindh to meet with CSSP team who contacted with CSSP and while in a meeting ensured his full cooperation and support in getting Sindh Youth Policy modified and execution of its enactment.

Mr. Ehsan Mazari also met with CSSP field team at his residence on 27 September 2015 in Kashmore and shared that he was called upon by PPP Chairman at Bilawal House Karachi who emphasized the need for early approval of Sindh Youth Policy.

The increased demand for enactment of Sindh Youth Policy within ruling party and realization at such a level is result of CSSP’s strategic approach towards advocacy on the subject. CSSP has achieved a great recognition within ruling party and at departmental level on Sindh Youth Policy. This understanding at party and departmental level indicates successful strategic approach towards the enactment of Sindh Youth Policy.

**PPP Chairman Statement's Links:**

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