



ROLE OF NGOs IN SOUTH ASIA: A CASE STUDY OF PAKISTAN

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Abstract:

In recent decades, the concept of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) has gained traction in political and development debates, particularly in the United States. Non-governmental organisations (NGOs) occupy the area between the state and the market. A paradigm shift occurred as a result of the dissolution of the Soviet Union, altering the circumstances for the formation of civil society on a worldwide scale. This has altered the political geography of the whole world, and in such an atmosphere, the South Asian area has seen a huge increase in the number of non-governmental organisations (NGOs). In Pakistan, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are expanding in number and scale, and they are gaining recognition as the third sector of society. Ineffectiveness of the official apparatus and the failure of business to provide efficient development mechanisms at the grassroots level are cited as the causes for non-governmental organisations (NGOs)



establishing the third sector alongside the state and business sectors. The state is seeking other organisations to share its duty for social welfare and development in Pakistan, a country where socio-economic statistics are mediocre at best. Because the current government recognises the importance of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) as a guiding hand in socio-economic development, Citizen Community Boards (CCBs), which are also a new form of citizen-led initiatives, have been included in the Local Government Ordinance 2000 as a component of the local development machine. In addition to the state and corporate groups, nongovernmental organisations (NGOs) that have demonstrated their relevance in Bangladesh and other poor nations across the world may play a critical role in grass-roots development. In this context, it is an excellent time for the government and industry to better understand the dynamics of non-governmental organisations (NGOs), with a particular focus on Pakistan, to harness the potential of citizen-led initiatives for the public good. This article offers a picture of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) by taking into consideration the genesis, sorts, and kinds, regulatory agencies, their responsibilities, as well as the strengths and weaknesses of Pakistani non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

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Introduction

The urge to assist people in need has existed since the dawn of civilisation. As a country, volunteerism is not a new concept. Dedicated and selfless employees who have committed their lives to respond to the needs of others have characterised the organization's lengthy existence. We have come to see that volunteerism in our nation is defined by the organisations to which people join. The majority of non-formal organisations were formerly referred to as 'Voluntary Social Organizations/Agencies', which was a rather generic term. NGOs (non-governmental organisations) are a term that is commonly used to refer to voluntary organisations in more structured forms. The number and scale of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are increasing, as is their strength. The causes for non-governmental organisations (NGOs) establishing the third sector of society, alongside the state and business sectors, are ascribed to the ineffectiveness of the state machinery and the inability of the corporate sector to provide an effective development lead at the grassroots level. In today's world, as much as we



admire the efforts of non-governmental and non-profit organisations, their work in the development sector is truly laudable, especially in light of the current economic climate. Except for a few government institutions, it is non-profit groups that devote their money, time, and energy to combating the social ills and injustices that are ingrained in our society. Non-profit organisations play a critical role in the development of healthy and safe communities by giving their support and services, which in turn contribute to the creation of economic stability and mobility in the community. When it comes to aiding the community, one big benefit of non-profit organisations is that they tend to respond more quickly than the government. They collaborate closely with the people on the ground and are able to respond swiftly in the event of a major incident or emergency. Furthermore, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) do not have to wait for a majority vote before providing assistance to an individual or group of individuals in need. Another important purpose of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) is to encourage individual-led projects that have a broad influence on the general population. Whatever the issue, whether it is one of health, education, or an emergency, non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are on the scene to give immediate assistance to the people. NGOs, whether large or small, engage with a wide range of social concerns, from reducing poverty to combating injustice, from providing clean water to improving healthcare facilities, and everything in between. Every organisation has a role to perform in the overall scheme of things. NGOs are able to comprehend and cater to the requirements of the community because of their strong community ties and extensive knowledge of the situation. They are also able to satisfy those demands in the most effective way possible. NGOs that are well-established and well-funded can help their communities thrive and prosper by leveraging their relationships with decision-making authorities and other stakeholders. In the wake of the discussion over the failings of the state, the growth of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) as an alternative to governmental methods to the social development of people has been the most visible result. These non-profit organisations (NGOs) are said to be non-profit organisations that are designed to address gaps in state policy by directing international or local money – depending on the kind of NGO – towards the excluded sectors of society. With the assistance of industrialised nations, the number and breadth of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have increased dramatically in the region of South Asia in order to help them in their progress. Specifically, the purpose of this paper is to assess the impact of these non-profit and nongovernmental organisations in Pakistan, a developing country where a majority of the population still lives below the minimum wage and where social problems have proven to be a significant impediment to the country's political and economic progress.

Progression and Enlargement of NGOs



The evolution of non-governmental organisations, in large part, has been argued to be the reason for insufficient resources and state mismanagement. Since the 1970s and 1980s, there has been a growing emphasis on these NGOs as methods for community social development across the world. The civil consciousness and activity have created hundreds of NGOs with various agendas, scope, range and aims that are focused on development (Banks & Hulme, 2012). Though these institutions traced their roots in the past aid and charities and created UN specialist agency in the 1940s, with the 'eighties development push' spearheaded by American political intellectuals of the times these institutions were reorganised (Ronald Reagan, Margret Thatcher etc.). This reorganisation of development NGOs is due to the international political environment at that time. Three important variables may be highlighted for this rearrangement, according to Deborah Eade (2006).

1. Firstly, the development of neo-liberalism and its concentration on economic privatisation generated a need for these entities to try to reduce their effect. A primary priority of the NGOs of the day was work on social welfare and the elimination of disparities among different sectors of society.
2. Political liberalisation also became a cause for the creation of NGOs, which led to an expanded representation of politically oppressed civil society, working alongside this economic liberalisation. These economic and development-oriented independent organisations in Eastern Europe and the South have been lauded as 'savers' with the visible result that the U.S.S.R. dissolution is having.
3. Third, most of Latin America was engulfed in civil wars with the US government visibly supporting regimes in the Reagan period. But the emphasis on US interest changed from this region with USSR integration. Consequently, the administrations attempted to give support and solution to establishing a different type of state, taking into account the political demands of civil society, in the absence of external financed funds and a collapse of socialism (Eade, 2006).

These reasons have further cemented societies' recent understanding of the significance of NGOs as drivers of the development and progress of the poorer classes, of poverty reduction and of social problems that the States have otherwise disregarded. This underlines the importance of NGOs as a policy instrument for influence external and internal players in the modern era. The categorization of these NGOs has become an impossible undertaking because of their exponential development in the present day. For clarity purposes, NGOs are generally characterised by their non-profit and non-governmental characteristics instead than by their features. The scope of these NGOs



varies greatly from tiny community-based organisations to major high profile companies with multinational offshore industries in underdeveloped nations. These grassroots institutions offer creative solutions for society's upliftment. They generally implement their civic engagement and development objectives through 2 approaches: services and advocacy and empowerment.

While they generally focus on the gap-filling abilities of NGOs to participate more in excluded poor or disastrous sectors of society where countries cannot spend enough time and money. They also focus on the role of their service provider. Their latter role has lately developed is the most controversial, as it works for social problems that generally need for large-scale structural reforms, for example, promoting democracy and equal opportunities. These NGOs do not fall under any coordinating body with their self-governing autonomy and do not have to make anybody responsible. According to an estimated increase, the growth rate of non-governmental organisations grew to 19.3 per cent during 1990-2000. (Eade, 2006).

Types of NGOs

There are three types of NGOs, also categorized as stages of NGOs:

- i) Communal NGOs (CBNGOs)
- ii) Intermediary NGOs
- iii) Supporting Organizations

Communal NGOs

Communal NGOs include local and national religious organisations, local and national trade organisations, indigenous community groups, local and national village level clubs, induced community groupings, masses and mass organisations. Communal NGOs are working at the base level, concentrate on social work and continue to be involved in the well-being of local communities. The first generation of NGOs is considered to be. David Korten was quoted as a leader in the 1992 IUCN-Pakistan work paper by Ian Smillie: "NGOs that are involved in local development often confronted spontaneously community groups with energy and motivation for real change in urban and rural conditions for the poor to give voices and public resources to the poor, where they have tradition. Naturally, these organisations, which look subject to external influences and trials, are tiny and weak. CBOs are a series of civil society building components. It is therefore concluded that 'Community NGOs are beneficiary groups who are organised on an independent basis.



Intermediary NGOs

Middle-level NGOs or simply NGOs are also known. They continue to be 'service providers' focused on health, family planning, education, the environment, water and sanitation. Local philanthropy organisations, private philanthropic national organisations, state public organisations, home towns' and humanitarian organisations, are predominantly intermediate NGOs. These are grassroots supporting organisations, not necessarily funding but technical help for their expansions. Intermediary NGOs are concurrently connected to funders and CBOs/GROs. Most rely on external donors and on self-generated income. It carries out capacity building, training and financial management programmes for CBOs/GROs. The volunteers' group typically operates through its pay staff by setting up the executive board, the management board or the board of directors or the general body as a pivotal body. The intermediated NGOs have a clearly defined organisational structure, employ to some extent management tools, pay large numbers of personnel depending on size and roles and benefit from community-level project support services.

Supporting Organizations:

Capability building organisations who give the communal NGOs and intermediary NGOs money or technical support, or both. They do not implement agencies or service providers but help their partners make them more effective and efficient. The word 'support' is used from the functional viewpoint for donors and encompasses national and international philanthropy organisations legally in existence, with the aim of supporting other types of NGOs financially freely and fully. For simple understanding, donor organisations may be categorised as follows into three types:

a) United Nations agencies

United Nations agencies include UN-mandated donor agencies.

b) Organizations of international and foreign donors

All non-UN international organisations and representative organisations from foreign governments are included in these organisations. These might be projects, financing issues or agencies. In rare circumstances, they might provide their experience, money, equipment, supplies, advice or implementation. This definition covers all organisations having regional country headquarters, but also those funded directly from foreign nations through regional/local non-governmental organisations.



c) Local and philanthropic donors

All mechanisms by which the money is provided for goals of development and philanthropy should be included. In this category, local organisations and trusts put aside cash for the sake of philanthropy inside their companies or collect funds from other sources. In the nations where they are operating, for example, the Foundation or the Trust Act, these are usually registered by the registering authorities concerned.

Role of NGOs in South Asia

The primary obligation of the state is the socio-economic development of the entire society. In resource-controlled nations such as Pakistan, Bangladesh, India, Nepal and Bhutan, the load of this obligation is considerably more sensible. Only through involvement from all sectors of society, regardless of socioeconomic status, can this be realised. However, the government's limited capacity has created the pyramid's pyramid low population need to be addressed in an efficient manner.

While the SAARC platform remains a priority, during the past half-decade the region's socioeconomic landscape has seldom changed. It is tough to maintain pace with the rest of the world for both individuals and governments. The SAARC is not only behind in per capita income and growth, but also in its social and human development (HD) metrics, especially in gender equity. As an organisation, SAARC has not been able to take meaningful action to cohesively deal with this evident divide.

In addition to the fundamental requirements, such as education, health and access to potable water, food safety and eradication of gender imbalance, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan and the Maldives remain lagging behind. Bangladesh achieved substantial progress in MDGs by reaching five of the 8 MDGs. Despite the help provided by NGOs and the international funding they get, the other nations remained seriously behind.

The HD report of 2013 focuses on employment issues and argues that the donor-driven economic reforms have been able, but failed to generate jobs, provide food for everyone and eliminate poverty in the eight South Asian nations that house 22% of the world's inhabitant population. The decline in these states is reflected in this. There may be various reasons why the socio-economic scene is unsatisfactory but there may also be genuine attempts to not only stop the decline but improve the situation too.

The issue is what more measures, apart from good governance, accountability, openness and rule of law, should be undertaken. The development of private-public cooperation



with NGOs is a viable strategy. Approximately one million NGOs in South Asia can play an essential part in attaining social goals.

NGOs are increasing rapidly in numbers and regions, yet due to their cynicism about their function, their potential has gone unused. Through their microfinance programmes, they become key actors for rural development and poverty reduction, while playing major roles in environmental and development campaigning.

Categorization of NGOs in Pakistan

In Pakistan, there are three primary categories of NGOs that differ in their functional approach to social development:

1. Empowerment and advocacy: these NGOs have social concerns and a high-profile education, human rights, gender, health and poverty agenda. The main component of Pakistan's NGOs are these groups and receive the greatest media attention. These agencies are led by powerful local players, rather than promoting greater changes, are generally focused on just one social issue. For instance, the All-Pakistan Women's Association (APWA) and the Pakistan Family Planning Association.

2. Political engagement: these NGOs generally get international financing and promote larger structural changes through the participation of governments in discussions on alternative and better policy choices. These organisations encourage the problem-based and thorough study and can cooperate with other non-profit organisations. The UNESCO, USAID, for instance, although the three categories of NGOs overlap.

Disaster, emergency and disaster-based NGOs: disaster relief, emergency relief and rehabilitation are the most renowned of organisations in Pakistan. 3. These include Edhi Foundation and the Benazir Income Support Program and the Red Crescent Fatimid Foundation.

Areas of Interest for NGOs in Pakistan

NGOs, whether large or small, tackle several important topics, from poverty alleviation to the fight against injustices, from clean water to better healthcare. Each organisation plays its own part. Based on their strong community ties and their extensive understanding of the situation, NGOs are able to better comprehend and respond to the demands of the community. Robust and well-resourced NGOs can enhance community progress and opportunities based on their links with decision-makers.



In the following discussion, we will examine in further depth how some NGOs have established their footing by solving important challenges and assist the people of Pakistan.

1. Poverty: the country's burden is extreme poverty. The existence and accessibility of basic requirements such as food, water or shelter is not only a matter of living in severe poverty but is connected to homelessness, hunger, inadequate sanitation, clean water, healthcare and education. Many NGOs combat poverty in Pakistan. These NGOs moved individuals out of poverty and gained sustained income to ensure their future.

Seed Out is such a deep non-profit organisation that works for this particular cause. Seed Out is the foremost not-for-profit corporation to reduce poverty in Pakistan by setting up micro-entrepreneurs with free microfinance. Seed Out has its operations in four various locations of Pakistan and was founded in 2013 by the Zain Ashraf Mughal in Lahore. The innovative online crowdfunding platform Seed Out allows the donor to give to the poor individual they want. In order to develop a small company and achieve sustainable revenue, a borrower is offered interest-free child-care lending. Seed Out has successfully lifted hundreds of Pakistanis from poverty and their families and will continue their work in future years against poverty. Another Pakistani poverty reduction group is Akhuwat. Akhuwat's headquarters is located in Lahore, founded in 2001 by Dr Amjad Saqib. His first goal was to turn Pakistan into an impoverished country, as an interest-free Microfinance Organization. It gives interest-free loans for the poor to set up their enterprises. Akhuwat has created a university that would give Pakistan's less fortunate young people free higher education. The charity also helps the disadvantaged with health treatment, food and clothing and assistance to the community of Khawaja Sirah.

2. Education: The percentage of children dropping out of school is high, according to Roshan Khursheed Bharucha, but it is worth praising the role done by NGOs in promoting education in the country. They shared the government's load. Several NGOs, in particular in rural regions, assisted and contributed to the creation of various educational institutions around the country. The advantage of establishing certain schools and institutions is that people have at least or no-cost educational options. Organizations like TCF and the Care Foundation are trying to offer the impoverished children of Pakistan high-quality education. They have established schools and funded many children's education.

The Citizens Foundation (TCF) is the largest non-profit organisation dedicated to educating poor children in Pakistan. TCF was established in Karachi in 1995 by a group of citizens. It has successfully founded more than 1500 schools with an enrolment of



approximately 252,000 pupils around the country with its high-quality work in education. In addition, TCF intends to accept different government schools in the future.

Another major non-profit company that strives for decent education for everyone in the Care Foundation. The first school was founded in Scheikhupura, in 1988 by Seema Aziz, director of Sefam Group. The objective of the Care Foundation is to provide high-quality education for children in disaster-prone areas. Currently, 888 schools are run in Pakistan by the Care Foundation.

3. Humanitarian services: NGOs give fast material and logistical help in the event of an emergency or crisis to places hit by disasters or tragic events. The disasters might be natural or man-made, of any kind. The aim of providing humanitarian assistance is to save the lives of a person or community in an emergency and minimise the suffering of that individual. Edhi Foundation is a great NGO aiming to provide clock-to-clock humanitarian aid. The Edhi Foundation is a major humanitarian and social welfare organisation in Pakistan. The Edhi Foundation was founded in 1947 by Abdul Sattar Edhi, a leading social worker located in Karachi. It provides exceptional humanitarian services from mobile orphanages to medical facilities and diabetes centres. It offers every member of the company the world's largest ambulance service all around the clock.

The Chhipa Welfare Association in Pakistan is the second-best humanitarian aid providing NGO. One of Pakistan's major non-profit organisations to provide humane and welfare services for the less favoured group is Chhipa Welfare Association. The central office of the company was founded in 2007 in Karachi by Ramzan Chhipa. The association's activities include financial aid and free or cheap meals for the needy and operate a well-established fast-traffic service in Karachi.

The Alkhidmat Foundation is another excellent NGO, and a wonderful example of a charity, one of the greatest humanitarian assistance networks. In 1990, Alkhidmat was registered with its headquarters in Lahore as an NGO under the Societies Act. Her services include disaster management, health, education, orphan care, clean water, Mawakhat, and other Community services to Pakistan's disadvantaged populations.

4. Medical Services: access for the disadvantaged to good healthcare and medical services is not simple in Pakistan. The government hospitals try their utmost to accommodate many patients, yet many remain untreated. But the poor can't go to private hospitals because they're too costly. Several prominent Pakistani NGOs give cheap and needy medical services of excellent quality. Such NGOs are also setting up healthcare camps and mobile clinics in distant regions for free medical inspections. Shaukat



Khanum Cancer Hospital is a state-of-the-art hospital for cancer, offering free healthcare to thousands of cancer patients. Shaukat Khanum is the biggest and most recognised charity organisation in Pakistan and the Memorial Cancer Hospital and Research Centre (SKMCH) Created as the largest cancer hospital in Pakistan in 1994 by a famous cricket player, Imran Khan, SKMCH receives funding from about 75% of cancer patients. Every year it aims at putting an end to the agony of thousands of cancer patients using advanced procedures and treatments.

Transparent Hands is also a major NGO that provides health treatment to people. Transparent Hands is a prominent non-profit organisation that provides health treatment to worthy, disadvantaged individuals. It offers free medical treatments in well-known private institutions. Transparent Hand's headquarters is located in Lahore, founded by Rameeza Mueen. The company organises finances through charity for the operations of worthy patients. The donor can give to the person of his choice using the internet crowdfunding platform.

5. Human Rights: A number of worldwide NGOs are devoted to defending and ending human rights violations. These NGOs urge government officials to promptly offer corrective assistance and action and for robust public advocacy. The examples below are Ansar Burney Trust International, a great human rights NGO in Pakistan.

Ansar Burney Trust is known as the first non-profit organisation to establish the right human rights idea in Pakistan. It provides the victims of human rights abuses with justice and better care. It was formed in 1980, in order to oppose all types of injustice by human rights defender Ansar Burney. The trust supplies unfortunate human beings with free legal counsel and humanitarian help.

6. Women's Rights: The life of oppressed women is shaped by several NGOs and gender equality promotion. Below are two of the leading NGOs working for women's rights. One of those NGOs is the Aurat Foundation, which promotes and protects women's rights and advocates equality between the sexes. One of the most important charitable organisations in Pakistani society, Aurat Foundation (AF). Aurat Foundation works for women. AF was created in 1986 and has its headquarters in Islamabad, five regional offices in the provincial capitals and 37 field bureaux around Pakistan. AF seeks to strengthen women's access to education, resources and institutions, as well as to increase awareness on equal human rights for everyone.

Kashf Foundation is another great example of a women's rights NGO. Kashf Foundation is a leading non-profit organisation that strives to enhance the lives of disadvantaged



Pakistani women. In 1996 Roshaneh Zafar created Kashf as an organisation for microfinance that provided low-income households, women in particular, with cost-effective microfinance services. It aims to alleviate poverty through empowering women in such families and to have an economic and social impact on households.

Effect of NGOs on the Progress of Pakistan

In the development and policy implementation sectors, Pakistani non-governmental organisations (NGOs) suffer from a severe lack of outreach and capacity. Only a handful of NGOs may be considered success stories, despite the fact that there are hundreds of them. The problems that these non-governmental organisations (NGOs) confront at the grassroots level result in ineffective policy implementation and shorter life spans. Only a few companies have been in operation for more than a decade and have a reputable administration and infrastructure. The Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) said that the number of well-organized non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in Pakistan is just approximately 100, with thousands of them categorised as weak or small-scale organisations (ADB, 1999). Despite their flaws, these non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have had an influence on the communities in which they operate, albeit a modest one. Some non-governmental organisations (NGOs) that have a singular focus on a single location and a singular goal have been successful in identifying and addressing problem areas that have had beneficial effects. Some of the topics that these non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are focusing on for the social development of Pakistani society are covered in further detail below.

The development of rural regions has been a significant driving force behind the work of non-governmental organisations in Pakistan. Almost one-third of all non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are working for the development of rural regions today, mostly under the auspices of the Rural Support Program (RSP). The Agha Khan Rural Support Program (AKRSP), which played an important role in the development of northern villages and in the implementation of successful collaborative projects for participatory communities, served as a model for the establishment of a large number of other rural development programmes based on the AKRSP's successful model. Many successful rural projects have been undertaken by the Sindh Rural Support Program (SRSP), the Baluchistan Rural Support Program (BRSP), the Sarhad Rural Support Cooperation in KPK (SRSC), and the National Rural Support Program (NRSP), all of which have been implemented in their respective provinces (Bennett, 1998).

The Family Planning Association of Pakistan is one of the few effective non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in Pakistan that is concerned with domestic concerns



and population increase. This non-governmental organisation (NGO) was founded four decades ago and has shown to be a successful approach via a partnership with the government and numerous national and international initiatives. Its reach extends to around 4,000 villages, with a professional staff of approximately 1500 and volunteers totalling up to 70,000 who are involved in 23 projects addressing various elements of the demographic issue that rural communities are facing (ADB, 1999).

Many non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have also launched programmes aimed at strengthening civil societies by making education more accessible to people from all walks of life and from all socioeconomic backgrounds. In this sector, the Citizens Foundation (TCF) company, which has created around a thousand schools across Pakistan, enrolling 126,000 pupils and employing 6,300 female employees for teaching purposes, is a well-known name. This expansion of educational opportunities has also resulted in the development of 9500 employment for the benefit of the human capital of the areas in which these institutions are located (SEED Report).

Despite the fact that the majority of non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are charitable in character, many of these have a modest and minimal influence on the social development of their respective areas. A small number of NGOs are respectable and professional enough to earn sufficient cash to make a meaningful contribution toward meeting the true needs of the poor and other underprivileged people. However, while many hospitals have been supported by these non-governmental organisations, the Akhuwat Foundation, which has an exemplary microfinance organisation for the underprivileged classes, is another non-governmental organisation that deals with the domestic and financial needs of rural class members. Innovating by utilising four key concepts, namely: interest-free money lending, the utilisation of religious institutions for its distribution, volunteer activities, and the transformation of borrowers into contributors, the organisation hopes to instil a feeling of duty in those who borrow money. This non-governmental organisation has also attracted the attention of foreign donors such as the World Bank, and it has been successful in its efforts thus far. Aside from these obvious contributions, many non-governmental organisations (NGOs) have played significant roles in a variety of other areas of social empowerment, including gender issues, honour killing, higher education, research and development projects, food and security, vocational training, and so on. These non-governmental organisations (NGOs) are small-scale volunteer efforts, yet they make a positive contribution to our society nonetheless (SEED Report)



Conclusion

In contemporary times, the function of non-governmental organisations was more and more associated with development. Contemporary NGOs in South Asia focus on the development, research, empowerment and advocacy of impoverished and disadvantaged classes, which give voice to the unheard and represent the excluded sectors of society. The globalised world is generating scope for such an NGO and numerous tiny groups have embraced the so-called social welfare aim. However, only a handful of such NGOs have a meaningful influence on Pakistani society's growth. In Pakistan, NGOs have gone from infancy to adulthood and have increased in size and quantity. The State looks to other organisations to share its duty for social welfare and development in a nation like Pakistan, where the economic and socioeconomic indices are less perceptible. It is, therefore, necessary to create a more structured and stronger environment for NGOs. NGOs that in Bangladesh and in other developing nations around the globe, together with governmental and corporate groups in Pakistan, have proven their relevance may be important to the growth of grassroots development. The history of non-governmental organisations in Pakistan provides a varied reaction to the past demands. However, these groups cannot alone be responsible for the poor level of performance of NGOs. This is an admission that the NGOs have shown great achievements in project management and have made micro-level contributions. Why didn't the macro-level NGOs impress? In the corridor of states, the reply should be studied and this may be a new study field in Pakistan. One of the solutions to these concerns may be because Pakistan's political history has been unequal and hence various administrations' attitudes to NGOs have differed. The current administration appears to offer NGOs greater room than its predecessor since this mirrors the current Devolution Plan. In order to be useful, it is right to research and comprehend the dynamics of Pakistani NGOs in socioeconomic development in Pakistan, in particular for rural development.



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