

# **FIRST DRAFT REPORT**



**3 DAY WORKSHOP  
DECEMBER 03-05, 2014**

**ON**

**REVIEW OF NATIONAL CURRICULUM OF  
GEOGRAPHY 2006, (GRADE VI-VIII)**

**Organized by  
BUREAU OF CURRICULUM AND EXTENSION WING SINDH  
JAMSHORO**

## INTRODUCTION

As per Education and Literacy Department, Government of Sindh's Policy it has notified review committee for Curriculum development in various Subjects, whereas the Committee of Geography Subject for the Grade VI-VIII gone through it with full concentration and found some minor amendments including geographical terminology, according to the given TORs, the mental level of the students, strategies of learning process through new methods & pattern. Geography is important subject throughout the world because without acquiring knowledge of the subject no any project, development work, further study of any field in the education cannot achieve the fruitful result.

Geography means the situation, position of work, it cannot recognize without study of geography and no achievement of the destination received. For example only map is the basic need of movement of human being, without map no progress of any assignment be made.

Hence, keeping in the mind, the importance of Geography subject the Review Committee has made some changes, which it should finalize in proper way providing comprehensive matter in book shape which will attract the student for effective learning by applying the practical process. Moreover, some themes and SLOs are changed with minor amendments and new SLOs are suggested in the Curriculum Review Draft.

## STRATEGY

- The Committee Reviewed Geography Curriculum in the light of given TORs mentioned in the Departments Notification.
- The Committee Reviewed Geography Curriculum and consideration was given keeping in view the Geographical Terminology, Enhancement of Geographical skills, Modern Geography Teaching Techniques, adaptation of new ways of learning, good planning and Professional Development.
- The Committee Reviewed Geography Curriculum in the light of aims and objectives mentioned in the National Education Policy 2009.

## PROPOSAL

1. Teacher guides may be developed for each grade level to provide appropriate knowledge and skill to the teachers who will teach the subject of Geography for the effective implementation of the newly designed curriculum.
2. It is also proposed that supporting teaching- learning material such as geographical maps, Atlas, topographical sheets, measurement scales and tools may be provided in elementary schools across Sindh.
3. The curriculum of all the subjects may be translated in the local languages i-e Urdu and Sindhi for the concerned beneficiaries.
4. The workshops may be arranged for textbook writers, training programmers, teacher educators and working teachers for the proper use of the Textbook and Curriculum of Geography in their respective institutions for the successful implementation of the Textbooks and Curriculum.

5. There is need to develop a mechanism for the continuous modification and improvement of the curriculum on the regular basis.

#### GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Some of the topics and subtopics have been added in the curriculum of Geography.
2. The committee has added some new SLOs where ever it was needed. In addition, some SLOs were rephrased in order to make them more specific and assessable.
3. The committee has strongly recommended that the need of Geography as a specific discipline of natural science at an elementary school level must not be denied.
4. The committee has changed the titles of some chapters to make them more appropriate and relevant in the context of Geography.
5. The committee has proposed the new table of contents given in the earlier part of the report.

The Committee consisted on the following members undertook its assigned tasks right earnest from November 12-14, 2014 and finalized the recommendations:

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