Developments in Literacy Transforming Lives Through Education



Our Vision

We envision a Pakistan where every child has access to high-quality education that empowers them to thrive in tomorrow's world.

Why it Matters

- 26.2 million children are out of school,
 39% of the total school-age population
- 4 in 5 children who are in school cannot read a simple story by age 10
- 1 in 3 students drop out after grade 5

Our Mission

Developments in Literacy (DIL) delivers transformative education to underserved children in Pakistan—especially girls—by operating high-quality schools, empowering local educators, and innovating technology solutions to ensure that every child succeeds.





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We provide students in community and government schools with a state-of-the-art education,

then

they will build better futures for themselves and their families,

 they will gain the skills to earn and achieve financial stability.

because

they will make informed, empowered life decisions.

they will promote equity andjustice through civic participation.



How We Work





Real Lives — Real Impact





From Orangi to Harvard

Born into humble beginnings, Afreen Mushtaq spent 12 years at DIL, where her potential was nurtured. She earned a full scholarship to IBA Karachi and, in 2024, began a Master's in Education Policy at Harvard University as a Fulbright Scholar.

A vocal advocate for girls' education, Afreen was named one of Pakistan's 25 Most Influential Young Women and delivered a TEDx talk, "Fly I Must." Her journey—from a DIL classroom to Harvard—embodies the transformative power of education.



From Adversity to Success

After losing her father and facing financial hardship, Shifa Naz found strength and stability at her DIL school, supported by her mother's resilience. Her dedication to learning paid off—she's now pursuing an MBBS degree at Dow University of Health Sciences, one of Pakistan's top medical colleges.

Shifa's story is a testament to what's possible when students are given the opportunity to thrive.

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