

Trend of Students' enrollment in newly introduced Technologies in Polytechnic institutes during 2000-2007

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Abstract

This research paper is about the trend of students' enrolment in New Technologies Introduced in Polytechnic Institutions of Pakistan under TEP II (Technical Education Project II) during 2000-2007 with the assistance of Asian Development Bank (ADB). As a modus operandi for this research, a proforma was developed for the Principals of polytechnic institutions and circulated among the respective Principals by mail service. Nine Principals from 02 provinces (02 from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK), 07 from Punjab) who were circulated the Performa responded through them. The study reveals that students' enrolment increased in 04 technologies: namely, Computer Information, Computer Hardware, Electronic Publishing and Electrical Technology; while enrolment trend decreased in Textile and Biomedical Technologies. The study shows uncertain enrolment trend in another 03 technologies: namely, Environmental Control, Automation and Office Management. A total of 1415 students were enrolled in 9 different technologies at 9 polytechnic institutions from 2000 -07. Among them 1093 students were awarded certificate/ degree from their institutions. Enrolment trend may improve in the coming years by providing job opportunities in these fields and by improving facilities in the institutions.

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