



# PDSA COUNTRY REPORT 2022



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# Down Syndrome in Pakistan

- ❑ Pakistan has estimated 0.5 Million people has Persons/Children with Down Syndrome
- ❑ Sindh Disability Act 2018 recognized Down Syndrome as separate disability category.
- ❑ PDSA services are well recognized by Government of Sindh, Pakistan.
- ❑ PDSA has joined hands with WaterAid Pakistan for Inclusive WASH facilities for persons with Down Syndrome
- ❑ PDSA has joined hands with IPAS Pakistan for Inclusive SRHR services for persons with Down Syndrome

# Pakistan Down Syndrome Association

- ❑ PDSA Pakistan is working since 2009 & its country representative organization of Down Syndrome International (Dsi) & member of APDSF (Asia Pacific Down Syndrome Federation).
- ❑ PDSA-NDF Rehab Center, Nawabshah has 200 children with Down Syndrome & other intellectual disabilities under regular services of rehabilitation.
- ❑ PDSA has scaled up services in remote area of Sindh in Larkana , having one Rehabilitation Center with 100 Children.
- ❑ Rehabilitation Services include, Physiotherapy, Psychotherapy, Speech Therapy & Occupational Therapies with Boarding, Day Care & free transportation facilities being provided in remote rural areas.
- ❑ Life Long Early Child Education classes, Sports, Entertainments, food, Clothes, social protection for children is provided.
- ❑ PDSA & NDF striving to seek support from Government of Pakistan to scale up the model at Divisional Head quarters.

# Pakistan Down Syndrome Association

- ❑ PDSA has inked MOU with Sindh Government for the Skill Development of Persons with Down Syndrome & Rehabilitation with due care.
- ❑ Sindh Government, Pakistan has approved annual regular grant in aid Rs. 10.000 million for the rehabilitation of 200 children with Down Syndrome & other intellectual disabilities in Sindh Province.
- ❑ HBL Foundation (Habib Bank limited) contributed its donation under CSR initiatives Rs. 2.000 million as grant in aid to Rehabilitation Center.
- ❑ Corporate Sector has well recognized the our services & number of companies i.e SSGC (Sui Southern Gas Company), Meezan Bank, National Bank limited, & others have visited & contributed the rehabilitation Center in Nawabshah.
- ❑ PDSA & NDF striving to seek financial support from Government & corporate sector to sustain its services for long run.





















Childhood-onset fluency disorder (a new name for  
stuttering)  
Social (pragmatic) communication disorder, a new  
condition for persistent difficulties in the social uses of  
verbal and nonverbal communication.













