

# Reconstruction of Flood-Affected Schools

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Girl students in a newly constructed school in Badalai (Swat) ©SDC

## 18,000 Children Go Back to School

Education in Pakistan was hit hard during the 2010 floods when countless school buildings were damaged or destroyed across the country. As Swat, Charsadda and Nowshera in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) were the worst-affected districts, SDC set its focus for its school rehabilitation and reconstruction programme on this region. In close collaboration with the Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) KP, Elementary & Secondary Education Department KP, the University of Engineering and Technology Peshawar (UET) and UNICEF, SDC has built 21 disaster-resistant schools and four transitional school structures in Swat; it has also rehabilitated 60 schools in Swat, Charsadda and Nowshera.

With this programme, more than 18,000 children have been provided with the education they were threatened to lose.

Tribal leaders, elders' councils and local residents were involved in the land-purchasing process as all of the schools had to be constructed on new land, which was mostly privately-owned. Without the strong commitment and fruitful collaboration between the communities and SDC, this project would not have been possible.

Complementary to the educational aspect of the programme, the communities also benefit from centrally located disaster-resilient schools in case of future disasters.

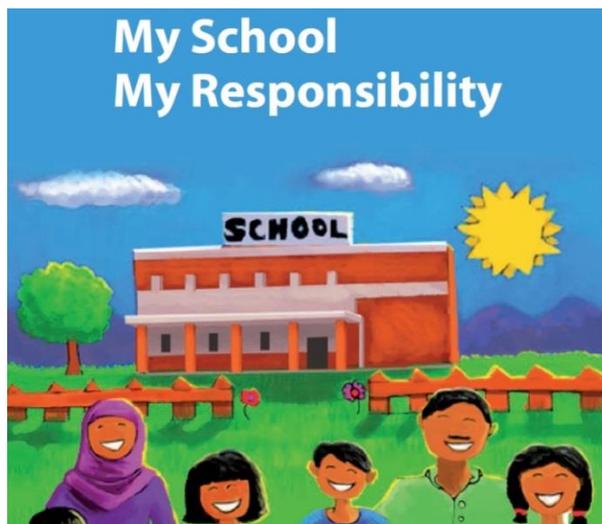
### Partners for School Rehabilitation/Reconstruction

- Education Department (E&S) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- Provincial Disaster & Management Authority (PDMA)
- University of Engineering and Technology Peshawar UET
- UNICEF
- UN Information Center

<b>Time Frame:</b>	July 2012 to June 2016
<b>Total Budget:</b>	CHF 3.3 million
<b>Geographic Focus:</b>	Swat, Nowshera & Charsadda in KP
<b>Achievements:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 21 new schools</li><li>• 4 transitional schools</li><li>• 60 rehabilitated schools</li><li>• 18,000 children go back to</li></ul>

## My School, My Responsibility

With support of the United Nations Information Centre (UNIC) and the Government of KP, SDC launched a campaign to make children more aware of the value of their schools. Through banners, a booklet highlighting the 'Dos' and 'Don'ts' and training sessions in SDC-intervened schools, pupils are taught how to maintain their schools and keep them neat and tidy.



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