**Project Title: Need Warm Winter Clothes for the Students of Under Privileged Communities**

**Additional Information**

**Profile of Hope and Transformation against Poverty (HTP)**

**Project Summary**

Hope and Transformation against Poverty (HTP) organization is operating Secondary School for the children of most deserved and under privileged community of far flung backward rural areas of Sindh Province, Pakistan, South Asia. There are **150 girls and 350 boys students** acquiring quality education from a very qualified and experienced teaching faculty. The population surrounding the area of school is farmers, laborers and daily wage agriculture laborers who live hand to mouth and cannot afford basic facilities. HTP provides free quality education, friendly learning environment, books, bags and stationeries to all students enrolled in this school. The students who reside at far off distant villages have also been provided transportation facility so that the majority of children could acquire education. The organization has tried its level best to support them as much as it could but still many targets remain to achieve. The main objective of submission of this project is to help by providing **“Warm Winter Clothes”** like warm sweaters to the students both female and male students so that they may escape from severe cold and receive education. As winter season starts here in Pakistan from November to April every year. In the rural areas due to cultivated/ irrigated land and vast plain area cold is more severe comparative to towns or cities.

**How will this project solve the problem?**

The community of the area is impoverished to afford basic facilities like safe drinking water due to salinity in the area, electricity, basic health care facility and education. There are very scanty resources of bread earning. Majority of the people are dependent on agriculture labor so they cannot afford to purchase seasonal clothes for their children. The regular attendance of students affects due to sever winter season. The most common diseases occur in children during cold winter season are common cold, bronchililts, influenza, croup and pneumonia. The warm clothes can protect students from several diseases, make them regular in class rooms and participate actively in indoor and outdoor activities/ games. The literacy status of education is deteriorated, as per International Journal of Educational Development, among South Asian countries, in Pakistan there are currently 5.6 million primary, 5.4 million lower secondary and 9.8 million upper secondary school age children out of school (UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS), 2017). It bears the second largest number of primary age out-of-school children in the world, after Nigeria (UIS, 2017).

(<http://aserpakistan.org/document/2019/external_publications/Perspectives_of_dropped_out_children_on_their_dropping_out.pdf>)

**Potential long term impact**

In Pakistan, winter season continues for five months from November to April thus when the students will be provided warm clothes their study may not interrupt and will be safe from several diseases that occur during cold winter season. The students will use these same accessories for two years more. This project will inculcate very potential and long term impact on the lives of 150 Girls and 350 Boys students who can easily receive education. The regularity of students will sustain in school because out of school children in secondary schools is alarming in Pakistan that stands 15.2 million.

**Theme**

Girls and Boys

**Financial Proposal/ Project Budget**

**Photo Gallery of School**