

# **PURPOSE DRIVEN EDUCATION**

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Nations that developed rapidly had their population working in unison to achieve economic prosperity. The most important resource of any nation for such economic opulence is the determination and the education skills of its people. People's ability to advance their quality of life, depends on their skills to practice their knowledge and not just knowledge. Purpose Driven Education focuses on the development of these skills. There are many elements that contribute to the development of the purpose driven education culture. Empowering the concept of learning, adopting a horizontal or broad-based curriculum, early introduction to practice of research, training for innovation and entrepreneurship are among major contributors. Research has shown that these elements significantly contribute to development of a workforce which would help advance the economic progress of a nation and in advancing its quality of life.