



**Persons with Disabilities:
A Transition from the Margins to the Mainstream**

PARALLEL PERSONALITIES – THEY & I ARE THE SAME

I fear having to lie,
I fear getting caught,
I fear the hornet I fear the hawk,
I fear they will find me; I fear they will not.

*They fear the judgment,
They fear the talk,
They fear sharing their ideas,
They fear the world will balk.*

I fear being taken advantage of,
I fear I am meek,
I fear falling or being rejected,
I fear they will know I am weak.

*They fear making mistakes,
They fear disappointing a loved one,
They fear referring to themselves in first person,
They fear coming undone.*

I fear being lost in the present,
I fear the future I fear the past,
I fear this will all end;
I fear that this will last.

MORE THAN **1,000,000,000** PEOPLE
AROUND THE WORLD



LIVE WITH DISABILITIES.



OF THESE,
27,000,000 +
RESIDE IN PAKISTAN.



**PAKISTAN'S LARGEST,
MOST INCLUSIVE MINORITY.**

THAT ANY OF US CAN JOIN, ANYTIME.

from sympathy to
EMPATHY

Disability Sensitization



A Part. Not Apart.

YOUR WORDS MATTER



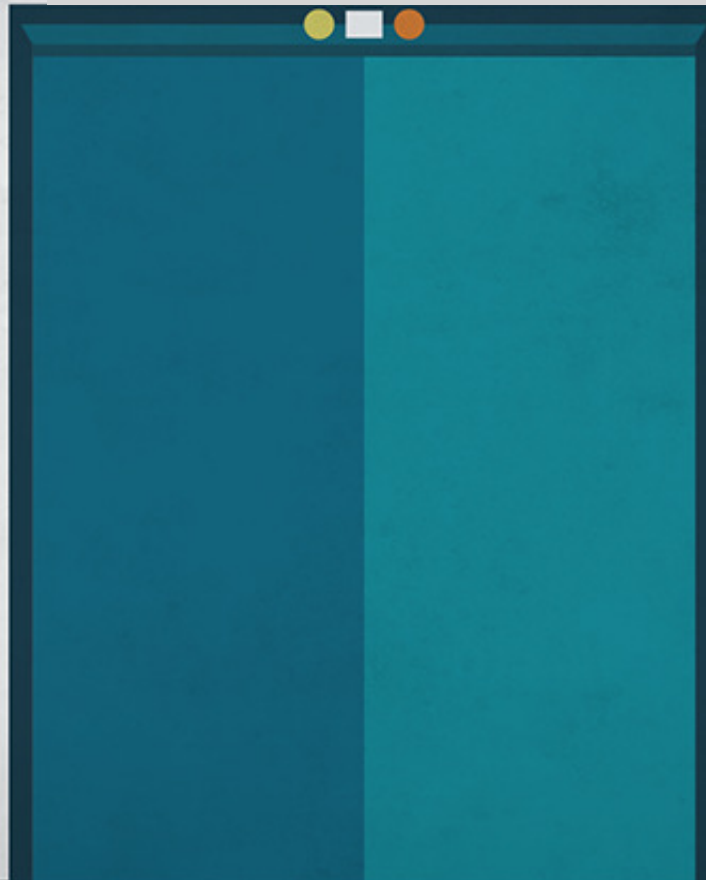
The **global literacy rate** for adults with disabilities is as low as **3 %**, and **1 %** for **women** with disabilities. *(UNDP)*



ACCEPTANCE & ACCESSIBILITY

Institutional Preparation

- **Infrastructural**
- **Policy/ Procedural**
- **Attitudinal**
- **Equal Opportunity**



PWDs Preparation

- **Self Esteem**
- **Attitudinal**
- **Skills – Education**



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