Terrorists to be defeated by educating children: Zardari

Malala fund set up; Pakistan donates $10m

PARIS: President Asif Ali Zardari on Monday announced $10 million donation for a global war chest to educate all girls by 2015 set up in the name of Malala Yousafzai, who was shot by the Taliban as she was campaigning for girls' education.

While addressing the ceremony, the president said that the terrorists and extremists would be defeated by giving education to the children, particularly the girls.

The "Malala Fund for Girls' Right to Education" is aimed at raising billions of dollars to ensure that all girls should go to school by 2015 in line with United Nations Millennium goals.

Pakistan Education Minister Waqas Akram signed the agreement with the Unesco head, Irina Bokova.

"A young determined daughter of my country was attacked by the forces of darkness," Zardari said at the high-profile "Stand Up For Malala" event at the Unesco headquarters in Paris.

"We are facing two forces in the country, Malala represents the forces of peace and we are fighting with the forces of darkness, hatred and violence," he said. The ceremony drew French...