Using Student Assessment Results for Education Quality and Systems Strengthening



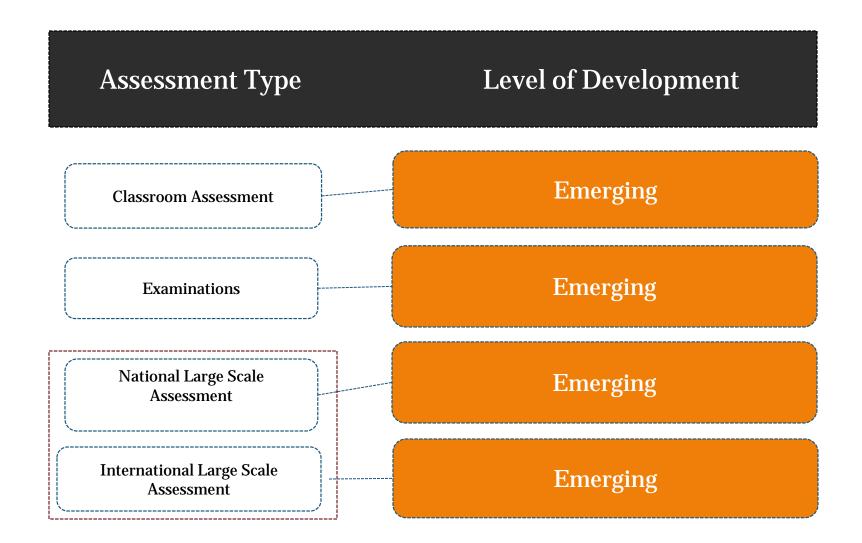
READ MOZAMBIQUE

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SABER Student Assessment System Benchmarking Results – Mozambique

(Baseline 2009, Pre-READ)



What assessment types is your country working on with READ Funds?

- Education Quality Indicators
 - Draft Education System Quality Indicators (2010)
 - Draft School Quality Indicators (2011)
 - School Quality Indicators Phasing in (2012)
- National Large-Scale Assessment Provinha "já sei ler"
 - Pre-pilot October 2011 (2 schools: 500 pupils),
 - o Pilot in March 2012 (2 provinces, 2 districts, 67 schools, about 11.168 pupils)
 - Pilot 2 October 2012(2 provinces, 2 districts, 67 schools, about 11.168 pupils)
- National Large-Scale Assessment Assessment in Reading and Mathematics at Grade 3
 - Started May 2011,
 - Pre-pilot June 2012,
 - Pilot September, 2012)

READ Results Framework:

Priority Areas for Mozambique

Enabling Context

EC1 – Setting clear policies

EC2 – Having strong leadership

EC3 – Having regular budget/funds for assessment

EC4 – Having strong organizational structures

EC5 – Having effective human resources

System Alignment

SA1 – Aligning the assessment with learning goals

SA2 – Providing opportunities to learn about assessment activities

Assessment Quality

AQ1 – Ensuring quality

AQ2 — Ensuring effective use of assessment results

Recent Achievements for READ Mozambique

(October 2010 until Present)

Indicator(s)	Activity Description/Date	Output/Outcome					
AC1	Elaborate indicators of quality of Education System (Nov, 2010)	Draft education system quality indicators with 70 indicators covering 6 Dimension: Planning, administration and management; access and equity; Information and Communication Technology; Achievement; Curriculum development; Inclusive education.					
AC1	Draft of primary school quality indicators (July 2011)	Draft framework for school self and external assessment. Indicators include the use of assessment results					
AC1	Redesign of competencies for each cycle & subject for Primary Education (Dec, 2010)	Complement of Curriculum Framework This document aims at specifying better the level of expected performance of pupils in each cycle.					
EC5	Capacity building: Short Course 1 INDE/CNECE/Universities technicians in assessment (June 2011)	15 staff members from INDE, CNECE, Universities trained in assessment systems and test design					

Recent Achievements for READ Mozambique

(October 2010 until Present) - Continued

Indicator(s)	Activity Description/Date	Output/Outcome
SA1	Design assessment blueprint (July 2011)	Blue print for writing test items for reading, writing and mathematics covering different topics of the national curriculum.
AQ1	Design 1 600 test items for database (August 2011)	Test items ready for 2011 pre-piloting.
EC5	Participated in AAEA Conference in Nairobi (August 2011). This is an organization of Assessment and Examination institutions in Africa	5 Staff participated in Benchmarking in the field of assessment in the region.
EC5	Capacity building: Masters Degree in Assessment for 10 technicians (INDE/CNECE/Universities) (September 2011)	10 staff members from Ministry of Education, INDE, CNECE and Universities highly qualified in assessment . (Designing and management of national assessments).
AQ1	Testbooklet designed for pre-pilot for "Provinha" Applicator and interpretation manuals designed (September 2011)	Test Kit ready for pre-pilot of Provinha in October 2011.

Recent Achievements for READ Mozambique

(October 2010 until Present) - Continued

Indicator(s)	Activity Description/Date	Output/Outcome
AQ1	Provinha test materials printed (September 2011)	Material printed and ready for piloting. • 550 test booklets •16 administrator manuals •10 scoring guides
AQ1	Pre-Pilot Provinha (October 2011)	Test and logistics procedures validated

Some items from "Administrator Manual" -1

D2/N2 Identificar as letras do alfabeto.

D02/N1

Professor(a)/aplicador(a): leia para os alunos a instrução em que aparece a orelha. Repita a leitura no máximo duas vezes.



5. Presta atenção às letras que vou dizer "v" "d" "l".

Assinala com X o quadradinho das letras que ouviste "v" "d" "l"

- A) a c q
- B) vdl
- b h o
- D) trs

Some items from "Administrator Manual"-2

D13/N3 Localizar informação em textos verbais.

Professor(a)/aplicador(a): Esta pergunta deve ser lida pelo aluno.

19.Lê o texto em silêncio

Dia e noite

Não sei se gosto mais do dia.

Não sei se gosto mais da noite.

De dia, eu posso brincar.

Mas, de noite, eu posso sonhar.

De dia, eu posso ler.

(Texto adaptado de Mary França.)



Marca com x o quadradinho com resposta certa. De dia, eu posso

- A) Ver a lua.
- B) ver.
- C) ver as estrelas.

Some items from "Administrator Manual"-3

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Expected Achievements for READ Mozambique (October 2011 thru 2014)

Indicator(s)	Activity Description	Output/Outcome
EC5	Capacity building: Short course 2 Questionnaire design, Statistical analysis and Proficiency scale development (November 2011)	10 staff from INDE, CNECE, Universities trained in questionnaire design, statistical analysis, statistic software and production of proficiency scales.
EC5	Capacity building: Short course 3 Analysis of contextual factors, report writing, results dissemination. (February 2012)	20 Staff from INDE, CNECE, Universities trained in contextual data analysis, writing reports for different audiences and dissemination strategies.
EC5	Study visits to Botswana and Uganda (May 2012)	6 staff from Ministry of Education aware of good practices in disseminating assessment results and using them to improve learning.
AQ1	Provinha (Pilot) (March, 2012)	Teachers trained in how to administer, score, and use assessment results to set pedagogical plans and to improve pedagogy in 67 schools. Feasibility report with policy options and cost estimates for Ministry of Education.

Expected Achievements for READ Mozambique (October 2011 thru 2014)

Indicator(s)	Activity Description	Output/Outcome
AQ1	Feasibility study of national assessment in reading and mathematics (Grade 3) Pre-pilot June 2012 Pilot September 2012	Pilot assessment and concrete policy options for scaling the assessment
AQ1	Grade 5 and 7 exams for Portuguese and Mathematics improved and used to report aggregate student achievement results. (Pilot November 2013)	Re-designed exams for Portuguese and Mathematics (multiple choice), automatic data capturing. Data processing and reporting by CNECE
EC5	"Capacity building: local staff taking short courses on assessment at local university." 2013	40 National and Provincial staff trained
EC5	"Capacity building: local staff taking university course on assessment at local university." 2013	10 National and Provincial staff enrolled

Implementation Challenges/Issues for Mozambique

- Use of assessment results. Lack of assessment culture in the schools;
- Poor literacy level among teachers that makes hard for them to use assessment information;
- Lack of resources that makes it hard to prioritize assessment;
- Short of fulltime staff Staffs need to address different tasks at the same time, including attending training courses;
- Alignment of procedures of the World Bank with Government's.