BREAKING BARRIERS TO GIRLS’ EDUCATION

UNFPA CONTRIBUTION
UNFPA EXPERIENCE IN JOINT PROGRAMMES

1. Spotlight Initiative
2. Peacebuilding project (PBF)
3. Global program on child Marriage
4. Muskoka project on Maternal, newborn, and child health
5. Breaking barriers to girl’s education

PARTNERS INVOLVED

UNDP, UNICEF, UNWomen, UNFPA
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## UNFPA MAIN INTERVENTIONS

1. Tailored support for adolescent girls returning to school
2. Comprehensive school-based nutrition, hygiene and health education, sexual and reproductive health
3. Gender-based violence prevention
4. Reaching beyond the school through SBCC and GBV prevention

### TARGET GROUPS

- **Adolescent girls in and out of school**
- **Girls and boys; primary and lower secondary school**
- **Targeted girls and boys; primary and secondary school**
- **Communities including adolescent boys and girls, parents, teachers, local and traditional authorities**
TAILORED SUPPORT FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS RETURNING TO SCHOOL

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- Delay teenage marriages and teenage pregnancy
- Strengthen adolescent empowerment

- 153,147 adolescent girls have benefited from the program;
  - 548 have reintegrated the formal school
  - 2,102 child marriage postponed or canceled
  - 4,409 Girls with job skills/Income generation activity

Azima Issoufou 13 years old said no to forced Marriage
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UNFPA EXPERIENCE

Comprehensive school based nutrition, hygiene and health education Sexual and reproductive health

SCHOOL HEALTH CLUB

promote health education in schools

For UNFPA a focus on Comprehensive Sexual Education (CSE)

- 8 secondary schools in 5 regions implement the initiative
- More than 800 teachers have been trained on the themes of the CSE
- More than 14,000 school girls benefit from the program

a great opportunity with the present joint project to scale up by integrating other topics such as nutrition and hygiene
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GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVENTION

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Eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls

Any barrier preventing or limiting access to schooling for girls is a gender-based violence

Improve access and Maintain girls at school

Six pillars of spotlight can boost girls’ schooling

Legislative and political frameworks
Strengthen institutions
Prevent and change social norms
Provide quality services
Data and information for policies
Women’s Movement and CSOs

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One stop center for holistic care of survivors of SGVB: 2 in humanitarian context

Capacity building of actors on hearing, psychosocial support, clinical management of survivors of GBV

A community-based approach to preventing GBV by paralegals

Policemen and Gendarmes in a workshop on GBV survivors hearings

One stop center of Sayam

Etc.
REACHING BEYOND THE SCHOOL THROUGH SBCC AND GBV PREVENTION

- Husband School Initiative
- Future Husband Club
- Traditional leaders: ACTN

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THANK YOU