

NON FORMAL EDUCATION SUB WORKING GROUP

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Background



- The Education Thematic Working Group (ETWG) has established a number of sub-groups in key technical areas in line with jointly identified priorities of EFA
- Non-formal Education sub working groups was formed in 2011

Non-formal Education

“Education outside of school for children needing education who, for various reasons, cannot learn through the formal education system.”

This includes, but is not limited to

- literacy
- vocational education,
- life skills training, and
- any out of school education activities.

Purpose



- To provide a platform for coordination, learning, advocacy and joint action for organisations working on out of school education in Myanmar.

Specific Objectives

- Ensure parents of vulnerable children encourage their children to access Non-formal education.
- Ensure out of school children have access basic education and achieve functional literacy level and improve life-skills competencies in all areas.
- Create opportunities for appropriate vocational skills and other professional training for vulnerable children.
- Provide appropriate support to NFE facilitators.
- Create and strengthen a network to exchange information, technical expertise, and resources among NFE working group member.
- Provide a platform for vulnerable children to seek supports and coordination from the stakeholders including concerned government department and parents etc.

Coordination and Networking

- Supporting cohesive and consistent programmes, approaches and messages
- Sharing information about who is doing what where (3Ws)
- Exchange information and technical advice and coordinate activities between member organizations.
- Obtain technical assistance from appropriate experts.
- Consult with donors on identifying needs for further funding for out of school education activities.
- Working through the ETWG, participate in advocacy for improved educational programs.
- Coordination with
 - ▣ wider ETWG, JESWG
 - ▣ other sectors including TVET, labour and other services providers

Capacity Building



- Sharing information about trainings and events
- Convene seminars and workshops
- Link up with regional networks and events

Membership


- The core membership of the NFE Sub-group will be composed of representatives from national and international NGOs , Local NGOs and CBOs. Representatives from the relevant UN agencies and Government Departments . Each core member organization shall designate **one representative** to attend regular meetings.
- Meetings will take place predominantly in Myanmar language.

Chairs

- The NFE Sub-group will be chaired by an elected member on a rotating basis.

Meetings

- The Group will meet monthly (on regular basis).
- Each meeting will be chaired by the designated representative of the elected agency. In their absence, the meeting will be chaired by someone designated at that time (and also take responsibilities to organize the successful meeting including note taking, distribution of meeting minutes.)
- A written agenda will be circulated by email to members along with a reminder of the meeting time and venue.
- For each meeting, one participant will be selected on a volunteer basis to prepare meeting minutes and distribute them to members.
- The Group respects the sensitivities of its members
- The Group shall decide on a fixed time and venue for meetings

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- Planning and Reporting
 - Strategic priorities for NFE sub working group
 - Budget