Setting up a NFE-MIS

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Getting started

- Identifying main stakeholders
- Getting political backing
- Constituting an implementation team at both national and sub-national levels

Tasks to be undertaken by the Teams in the pilot phase

- Diagnostic study
- Identification of core indicators
- Adaptation of NFE-MIS data collection tools and software
- Identification of information channels and sources (primary and secondary)
- Testing of data collection tools
- Data collection
- Data processing, output production
- Data analysis and dissemination of results
- Capacity building in all of the above areas is an on-going process

Questions

- Who are the main stakeholders in your context?
  - How do you identify them?
  - How do you raise their interest and get them involved?

Getting political support

- Advocacy of NFE-MIS through a high-level consultative meeting, involving all stakeholders
- Understanding the local situation as concerns NFE and existing monitoring systems in education
- Getting agreement on the need for developing an NFE-MIS and approval from the appropriate national authorities

Question

- What are the processes involved in getting political support and agreement to set up a NFE-MIS?
Setting up an institutional framework

- Identification of key players in the Central and sub-national Government, in the civil society and research community
- Setting up NFE-MIS implementation teams at both central and sub-national levels

Roles and Responsibilities

- NFE-MIS team at central/national level
  - Team Leader
  - NFE specialist
  - Planner
  - Senior statistician
  - IT specialist
  - Communication co-ordinator
- NFE-MIS team at sub-national level
  - Team Leader
  - NFE specialist
  - Planners/statisticians
  - Data collectors
  - Database operators
  - Communication co-ordinator

Question

- Recalling the steps involved in setting up a NFE-MIS (diagnostic study, indicator development, adaptation of data collection tools, data collection, data cleaning, data entry, data production and analysis), what tasks should be performed at what level?

Developing collaborative mechanisms between stakeholders

- A NFE-MIS should be as comprehensive as possible
- The various stakeholders and main partners in providing NFE should be part of the core NFE-MIS team or be closely associated to its work
- Cooperation needs to be established between
  a) The various line ministries that are providing NFE
  b) Government and NGOs, CBOs, other partners

Question

- How do we establish cooperation between various line ministries and NGOs?

Conditions for Sustaining a NFE-MIS

- Government ownership
- Allocating sufficient time and resources to the NFE-MIS teams
- Involvement of all stakeholders
- Capacity building, capacity building, capacity building
- Provision of a sufficient budget for the maintenance of a NFE-MIS by the government
Question

- What are the processes involved to institutionalise the NFE-MIS?

Beyond the pilot

- Evaluation of the pilot phase
- Expanding and up-scaling