A Civil Society EFA 2015 Review in Asia-Pacific

Asia South Pacific Association for Basic and Adult Education (ASPBAE)

Regional Technical Feedback Workshop
Bangkok, Thailand, 29-30 April 2014
Highlights

- Civil Society Participation in EFA
- Coalition- ASPBAE Review in 14+2 countries
- Review Framework
- CSO Timeline
Country Survey on EFA Review

Composition of the national coordinating body

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ASPBDAE & Coalition Initiatives on EFA Review Process

14 Coalitions in 14 countries and partners in 2 countries agreed to engage and conduct CSO EFA assessment...

Rationale for Engagement

- Put forward a strong, collective CSO voice and critical positions in the EFA Review;
- Need to ensure that the voices of the poorest and most marginalized are heard;
- Deepen analysis and draw lessons from gains and challenges to ensure the right to education for all beyond 2015
CSO Engagement in EFA Review Process

Three Tracks

1. Participate in official EFA Reviews (Nat’l & Reg’l)
2. Conduct independent review; come out with *Shadow, Supplement* or simple *CSO Report*
3. Review and comment on the Official EFA Report

*Not necessarily a full report on 6 goals*
*Focus on the value added as CSO*
*EFA Review from perspective of disadvantaged groups*
Common themes for CSO EFA Review

ASPBAE’s engagement to focus on critical issues

1. CSO role, engagement & contribution in EFA
   *What is our value addition? Did we make a difference?*
   *Impact on Policy, Process, Public opinion?*

2. Equity in education access and outcome
   *Gaps closing? Who were left out? Why? The Barriers?*

3. Education financing
   *Strategies that worked, or failed in promoting equity & ensuring the right to education? Policy options?*
   *Effective ODA, Public-Private Partnerships, Privatization? Government financing of EFA?*
Education International EFA Review in East Asia

- Assess the progress not only towards the EFA goals, but also in terms of the key action points in the Dakar Framework for Action
  - policy dialogue
  - education funding, transparency and accountability in education
  - governance and the enhancement of teachers’ status morale and professionalism.
Respect for the profession

![Bar Chart]

- Improved
- Worsened
- No change
CSO Timeline in Asia-Pacific

CSO EFA Review → Country Synthesis and sharing before Regional Meeting

Continuing Post 2015 Education Agenda Consultations (national/local)

Jan to Oct 2014

CSO Reports Submission/CSO Regional Meeting

Advocacy on CSO EFA Report

Regional Meeting/Preparations for WEF, Jakarta
Participation in World Conf on ESD, Nagoya, Japan

July 2014

May 2015

Asia-Pacific CSO Meeting and participation in Asia-Pacific Regional Conf on Education Beyond 2015

Regional Meeting

CSO participation in World Education Forum, South Korea, 2015

Nov 2014

Apr-Jun 2014
All the best in our work for EFA Beyond 2015!