



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SPORTS

EARLY GRADE READING

PRIMARY TWO TEACHER TRAINING IN 27 DISTRICTS UNDER THE UGANDA TEACHER AND SCHOOL EFFECTIVENESS PROJECT (UTSEP) OF THE GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP FOR EDUCATION

The Government of Uganda (GOU) received a grant of US\$100 million from the International Development Association (World Bank), acting as Supervising Entity for the Global Partnership for Education Fund, for the Uganda Teacher and School Effectiveness Project (UTSEP).

The Project Development Objective for UTSEP is to support the Government of Uganda in improving teacher and school effectiveness in the public primary education system.

The project beneficiaries will be:

- An estimated 8,100,000 pupils will benefit from new textbooks, 1,000,000 from improved teacher effectiveness in early grade reading teaching, 112,000 from new class-rooms, and 80,000 from trained childhood caregivers.
- Approximately 120,000 teachers in primary schools will benefit through training in teaching early grade reading, improved in-service tutoring, early childhood education, and school leadership.
- 8,000 school management committee members and head teachers who will receive training.
- Parents and communities with children in schools covered under the program that will indirectly benefit from higher quality education, greater information and enhanced voice in school management.
- Staff in the Ministry of Education and Sports as well as district staff managing teachers and education service delivery who will receive training.

The UTSEP is implemented under three components namely:

- Component 1: Effective Teachers:
- Component 2: Effective Schools
- Component 3: Implementation Support and Capacity Building

Under the project, teacher effectiveness will be promoted through strengthening effectiveness of early grade literacy instruction at the classroom levels through improving teacher and instructor competencies (content, knowledge, skills and pedagogy) and practices for the delivery of the early grade numeracy and literacy primary school curriculum, targeting primary teachers and instructors, and Early Childhood Education (ECE) providers and caregivers. The main expected results are the numbers of Early Grade Reading (EGR) teachers trained, tutors certified, and ECE instructors trained.

The project also aims at providing (i) instructional materials and teacher guides for said early grade reading program to be delivered to schools cohort by cohort beginning December 2016. Pupils will receive literacy books at a ratio of 1:1

One of the major areas of focus for component UTSEP, which is "Effective Teachers" is to scale up the Early Grade Reading Model developed by Research Triangle Institute (RTI) under the School Health and Reading Programme in 27 districts.

The methodology for implementation involves training all P.1, P.2 and P.3 teachers and head teachers for all Government aided primary schools in the 27 beneficiary districts and supplying the schools with Early Grade Reading materials to be used by teachers and learners.

The programme started with the training of head teachers and was accomplished in August, 2015. This was followed by training of P.1 teachers in January, 2016 and refresher training for the same teachers in May, 2016. Training of P.2 teachers is scheduled to take place in January 2017 while that of P.3 teachers will be done in January, 2018.

The trained teachers are supposed to be supervised and supported by the trained head teachers/deputies, Coordinating Center Tutors (CCTs), selected pre-service tutors and inspectors of school.

Implementation is also supposed to be highly monitored by staff of the Ministry of Education and Sports under the guidance of the Department of Teacher, Instructor Education and Training (TIET). The matrix below shows the list of trained teachers and those yet to be trained.

Class	Trained	Date
Head teachers	2680	August 2015
Primary One	3809	January 2016
Primary Two	3682	January 2017
Primary Three	3609	January 2018
Expected Total	13,789	By June 2015
Target	12,000	

Schedule for the Primary Two teacher training:

Class	Trained	Date
Initial Training		
Master Training	35	8 th to 15 th January, 2017
Training of Trainers	198	15 th to 22 nd January, 2017
Training Primary Two	3682	22 nd to 29 th January, 2017
Refresher Training		
Master Training	35	23 rd to 27 th April, 2017
Training of Trainers	198	30 th to 2 nd April, 2017
Training Primary Two	3682	7 th to 11 th May 2017

Teachers and concerned stakeholders are requested to save the above dates for the respective trainings.

BELOW IS THE SUMMARY OF THE TRAINING SITES, LANGUAGE, DISTRICTS AND NUMBER OF TEACHERS TO BE TRAINED;

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Training Site	Language	Districts	No. P.2 Trs
Bishop Willis CPTC	Lusoga	Luuka	130
		Kaliro	91
Sub - total			221
Mukuju CPTC	Lusoga	Bugiri	193
Jinja PTC	Lusoga	Mayuge	177
Kaliro PTC	Lusoga	Buyende	132
Busikho PTC	Lusoga	Namayingo	159
Kabwangasi	Lusoga	Namutumba	160
Kitgum CPTC	Leb Acholi	Lamwo	89
		Agago	134
Sub - total			223
Gulu CPTC	Leb Acholi	Nwoya	66
		Amuru	144
St. George Ibanda CPTC	Runyankore - Rukiga	Kamwenge	223
Bulera CPTC	Runyoro - Rotoro	Kibaale	322
Soroti CPTC	Ateso	Amuria	162
		Soroti	142
Sub - total			304
St. Aloysius CPTC	Ateso	Bukedea	141
Busubizi CPTC	Luganda	Mubende	246
Kmurasi PTC	Luganda	Kyankwanzi	121
St. John Bosco Nyondo CPTC	Lumasaba	Bulambuli	77
	Lumasaaba	Bududa	116
Sub - total			193
Loro CPTC	Leb Lango	Alebtong	86
		Oyam	152
Sub - total			238
Canon Lawrence PTC Boroboro	Leb Lango	Amolatar	62
		Dokolo	82
Sub - total			144
Canon Apollo CPTC	Lukhonzu	Bundibugyo	151
Kotido PTC	Ngakarimojong	Kotido	36
Arua CPTC	Lugbarati	Maracha	167