

GPE FUND REPLENISHMENT CAMPAIGN

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PLEDGE FROM MALI

Mali has always preserved education funding from suffering shocks, and by giving priority to the education sector, due proportion being observed, this has generally translated into GDP shares of around 4.6%, national budget shares of 24%, and total recurrent budget shares of 37%. Mali has committed to sustaining this remarkable effort and will strive to set up better performing and transparent governance conducive to better results, with such resource levels.

Mali's commitment to gender disparity reduction shows in the 3-year Interim Plan with a budget prevision of about 11%. It must be noted that a CFA Franc 5 billion funding gap exists and should be filled.

Mali is committed to improving its data collection and processing system through future implementation by the VPN mobile phone network services. This system will allow punctual data and report availability for better activity management and planning.

As for the education level, Mali has engaged in the pursuit of quality education. Indeed, the Interim Plan gives the highest priority to literacy and numeracy skill completion from the first school years. A continuous learning accomplishment monitoring will be implemented and regular learning results assessments will be conducted.

Finally, security context risks in the country's Northern areas and risks linked to flooding remain high. The Ministry of Education is planning risk mitigation measures

through a curriculum scan and the constitution of learning material stock to enable emergency response with an estimated budget of CFA Franc 400 million.

Mali is engaged with the Global Partnership for Education and supports its activities, and believes in its ability to make a difference. The Minister will be happy and proud to be part of the GPE Ambassadors.