Recognizing the enormous pressures and significant uncertainties facing governments and policymakers at this time, and the need to ensure commitments are credible, the following principles are designed to guide their formulation.

**VOLUME COMMITMENT**

**Basis for commitment (19.3)**

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**Description of education budget perimeter**

Please list all line ministries responsible for elements included in the calculation of education expenditures. Ideally this description should identify where in the national budget relevant elements are recorded.

1. Ministry of Education,
2. Ministry of Finance
   The option above with calculation of the education expenditures for 2021 and past years were debated and approved in Parliament.
3. The Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (MFED) provides a draft forecasted expenditures for education for the years 2022 - 2025

**Historical and projected expenditures (%)**

Please include all available historical expenditures (executed budget), as well final projected value for the year in which your commitment ends. Inclusion of intermediate values are encouraged but not required. If your commitment ends before 2025 (the duration of GPE’s new strategic plan) please provide a brief rationale below (eg. alignment of commitment duration with country MTEF).
2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025
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21 | 23 | 19 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20

Rationale (optional):

**OTHER INDICATIVE POLICY COMMITMENTS**

*Please describe here any significant policy commitments on equity and efficiency on areas of priority for your country. These might include gender, equality, better management of the teacher workforce, improvements in timeliness and accessibility of data for mutual accountability, national recovery stimulus spending targeting education, as well cross sector imperatives, including restoring/expanding school health and nutrition programs to leave no one behind etc. We also encourage commitments to strengthen the working relationship between Ministries of Finance and Education.*

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<td>School stationeries and curriculum materials are provided in adequate numbers to all schools</td>
<td>MOE Administration systems including staffing set up are reviewed for better services</td>
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<td>National curriculum for all school levels, including ECCE and TVET</td>
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Students with special needs (SEND) can fully participate in schools

Accreditation of the Teachers College

Effective leadership across the education sector

Partnership to support implementation of education activities

**OTHER MINISTRIES AND LEG**

*Please indicate if this commitment was endorsed by other ministries as relevant, including the ministry of finance, and has been shared with the LEG:*

As stated earlier, with Parliament approved the national budgets that include expenditures for each Ministry, the endorsement indicates all Ministries were aware of the commitments and approved as well.

The LEG (which is a sub-committee of EpiK) like all Kiribati nationals access the education expenditure as stipulated in each annual national budget after endorsement by Parliament.