



TANZANIA EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT NETWORK (TECDEN)

SCH2030 GLOBAL CONFERENCE- ECD ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

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UPDATES OF SDG 4.1 IMPLEMENTATION IN TANZANIA (2016 to date)

- ❑ Adaptation of IDELA assessment tool
- ❑ Curriculum improvement- PPE and lower primary 1&2
- ❑ Prioritized training of teachers with specific skills for PPE (16,109)
- ❑ 15 teacher's colleges for PPE certificate
- ❑ Enrolment education Policy- Fee Free Education
- ❑ Capitation grants for school infrastructures
- ❑ Pre primary data collection formalized within primary data collection tools
- ❑ Enrolment (GER) 39.5% & 76.9% 2010 and 2021 respectively

SDG 4.1 challenges

- Decreased NER- 37.5% in 2010 and 34% in 2021
- Limited learning classrooms
- Limited teaching staff for Pre Primary Education
- Limited community awareness on importance of early learning

Introduction

About Tanzania ECD Network

- ❑ We are Tanzania Early Childhood Development Network (TECDEN) a National Umbrella network coordinating non-state actors to promote ECD in Tanzania through influencing change in policies, programmes and practices that impact positively on a holistic development of a child to grow to the fullest potential
- ❑ The Network was officially registered in 2004

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Vision:

TECDEN is inspired by the vision that: “Rights and needs of all infants and young children are realized for them to survive, grow and develop to their full potential”.

Mission:

“Ensuring that all ECD network members work collaboratively work to promote multisectoral approaches which engender the holistic development of infants and young children and which bring the voice of young children into issues affecting them”.

Success

- ❑ NMECD launched in December 2021
- ❑ NMECDP coordination meetings formed and functional (co-chair while and the Ministry of Health , Community Development, Gender, Elderly and children Chair)
- ❑ Supported formation of ECD –Parliamentary Group
- ❑ Mtoto Kwanza Project- at sub national level
- ❑ National Advocacy Strategy is in its final stage
- ❑ ECD Dashboard developed

Challenges

- ❑ Not all the time partners were able to respond on our needs (budget, availability)
- ❑ COVID-19 we were forced to online meetings which were not that much effective
- ❑ Being multisector- sometimes not all government MDAS were able to attend all key meetings due to competing priorities
- ❑ Managing partners expectations considering their diversities (we maintained the feeling of equity)

Lessons learned

- It needs strong coordination to bring close other actors
- Strong leadership (Commitment, systems etc)
- Mutual trust (we even received cash from partners)
- Recognizing and Appreciating (be it small or big contribution and the multisector nature of the program)

Recommendations

- ❑ Investment on ECD programs in Tanzania (Research and Implementation of National Multisectoral ECD Program)
- ❑ Call for donors to support National networks
- ❑ Come and learn form Tanzania ECD Network







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