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Ministry of Education

Nationwide public movement to improve school infrastructure starts on 8th of July 2023 in four regions.

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The Ministry of Education launches a program in continuation of the nationwide public movement under the motto "Education for the Generation" to improve the infrastructure of schools on the 8th of July 2023 in the South, Southwest Ethiopia, Harare and Gambella regions, where top management team of the Ministry of Education, regional state government officials and communities attended.

The main objective of the national movement is to alleviate the problems schools have due to substandard infrastructure and facilities. As these problems cannot be solved by the government alone, there is the need to establish a system that boosts community engagement to improve the infrastructure. Thus, the objective of the nationwide public movement is to enhance community involvement and ownership in the learning and teaching process.

The Minister of Education, Professor Birhanu Negha says, "if we cannot solve the basic problems of the schools, and cannot provide quality education, the children who can make great contribution will be deprived from supporting their society and their country."

Although there are many problems in the Ethiopian education system, one of the main problems is lack of a conducive learning environment in schools. Currently, over 86% of primary and secondary schools and over 71% of secondary schools lack the necessary infrastructure for effective teaching and learning process, forcing students to study in challenging learning environments.

In addition, a significant number of schools lack basic facilities such as clean drinking water, proper toilet facilities, laboratories, and reliable electricity supply.

Leaders at all levels, the local community, former students, prominent individuals, Ethiopians living abroad and at home as well as investors have been called upon to contribute to the improvement of school infrastructure.

The Ministry of Education makes quality education a priority, and as a nation, we must work on the reformation of the educational system for the good of the next generation.

A reform has been performed on the educational system by focusing mainly on maintaining the quality of education, creating a generation that has good ethics and values, and making communities take the ownership of schools to avoid the immersion of political biases in schools.

For the reform to be successful, every school should be able to provide clean and good education suitable for children, not only regular education but also practical education, to make it suitable.

The main objective of this movement is to sustainably address the infrastructure problems schools face; thus, the Ministry of Education has developed a web portal for the SIP Campaign (sip.moe.gov.et) to enable those who need support the schools to easily access information about the schools.

About the Web- portal

The Ministry of Education organizes a web-portal, which is user friendly. The web-portal contains information of over 50,000 schools in the country. It simply informs users who want to support, what the schools are lacking or the area of improvements of all government schools in all regions. It contains general information. The continuous improvements and interventions implemented in the schools will also be updated.

Web-portal - sip.moe.gov.et

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