Selected 2011 GPS Key Results: VIETNAM Ministry of Education and Training



UN Region: East, South & South-**East Asia**

HIV Prevalence (2009): 0.4%

Date completed 2011 GPS: 28.12.2011

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Age	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	
Level										??			?	?	?	?	?	?	??	
Grades/Forms								1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	

LEARNER NUMBERS BY LEVEL -2010

	Pre Primary	Primary	Secondary	Total
Pupils	3,409,823	6,922,624	8,799,835	19,132,282

TEACHER NUMBERS BY LEVEL

	Pre Primary	Primary	Secondary	Total
Teachers				

PERCENTAGE CHILDREN OUT OF SCHOOL -2010

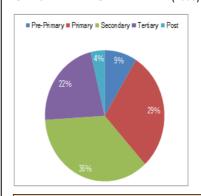
Primary	Secondary
2	13

Adult literacy rate (estimate): 92.8 -2009

PERCENTAGE TRAINED TEACHERS BY LEVEL -2010

		Pre Primary	Primary	Secondary
Percentage	Male	69	98	91
trained	Female	94	98	92

PUBLIC EXPENDITURE BY LEVEL (2008)



% Public Expenditure spent on Education: 19.8 -2008

% Expenditure on Teacher & Support staff salaries:

CHILDREN ORPHANED

Children (0-17yrs) orphaned by AIDS ('000): - (UNICEF 2009)

Children (0-17yrs) orphaned due to all causes ('000): 1,400 (UNICEF 2009)

Learners in the basic education system who have been orphaned ('000):

1.	EDUCATION SYSTEM			
		Pre Primary	Male	Growing
		FIE FIIIIaly	Female	Growing
	Is total enrolment in your schools, over the last 10 years; growing, shrinking or remaining stable?	Primary	Male	Growing
•	is total enforment in your schools, over the last to years, growing, shifting or remaining stable?	Filliary	Female	Growing
		Secondary	Male	Growing
		Secondary	Female	Growing
•	Total public expenditure (in local currency) on education	133	3.041 billion	VND
•	Estimate % of teachers employed who permanently left the system in the last academic year for any reason (e.g. retirement, resignation, promotion, illness, death etc.)?		5	
		Male		
•	Number of learners in the basic education system who have been orphaned	Female		
		Total		

2. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HIV&AIDS STRUCTURES **National Level** At the national level, do you have a dedicated committee or management unit that is responsible for coordinating Committee Yes Unit the response to the HIV&AIDS epidemic? No If there is a management unit, how many permanent staff members does it have? Unit Yes Committee If there is a committee or management unit, does it include senior staff? Unit Committee No o If there is a committee or management unit, does it have a dedicated budget? Committee Yes o If there is a committee or management unit, have members received orientation training? Unit n/a o If there is no management unit, are there staff at the national Ministry level who only deal with HIV&AIDS issues? No If Yes, are they at a senior level? NR If No, are there staff members who responsibilities include HIV&AIDS? Yes HIV&AIDS Yes Is the Ministry involved in any current application for funding to any donor or development partner? Tuberculosis

	Malaria	Yes
• Confirm the number of funding applications submitted in last 10 years (estimate % that have been successful)?		10
Estimate the % of financial resources available (total HIV&AIDS budget) in the last financial year, which came from	Internal/ Government	75
the following sources:	External/ Donor	25

Representation on HIV&AIDS coordinating structures

	National Committee	National management unit
Planning	✓	n/a
Finance Management	✓	n/a
Curriculum Development	✓	n/a
Human Resources Management	✓	n/a
EMIS/Statistics & Research	✓	n/a
Monitoring, Evaluation & Reporting	*	n/a
External partners – e.g. teacher unions, PLHIV, NGOs, etc.	✓	n/a

Funds allocated and percentage utilized by the National HIV&AIDS coordinating structures by focus area

	Funds allocated	How funds are shared	% Funds utilised
Prevention (including awareness & behaviour change)	√	10	NR
Access/Referral to Care and Support	✓	15	NR
Curriculum Development	✓	15	NR
Mainstreaming	✓	25	NR
Planning	✓	10	NR
Monitoring & Evaluation	✓	25	NR
	✓		

Areas of training provided to HIV&AIDS coordinating structures

	National Committee	National management unit
HIV&AIDS Impact	✓	n/a
Response Management	✓	n/a
Mainstreaming	✓	n/a
Programme Budgeting	✓	n/a
Monitoring and Evaluation	✓	n/a
Reporting	✓	n/a
Gender Equality and Sensitivity	✓	n/a
Reduce stigma and discrimination		

Do you have decentralized structures responsible for managing a response to	the HIV&AIDS epidemic?			Yes
 If Yes, do they include senior staff 				Yes
o If Yes, do they have sufficient dedicated resources (budgets) for the task	?			No
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			Pre Primary	100
What % of schools have working groups or committees that address HIV&AID		Primary	100	
			Secondary	100
Rank the HIV&AIDS roles and functions of decentralized structures in order	Planning	1		
of importance	Program Implementation	2		
·	Monitoring	3		
	Evaluation	4		
	Reporting	5		
	Other:	6		

3. ENABLING ENVIRONMENT				
How often have you heard your Education Minister speak publicly about the impact of HIV&AIDS on t	Only within t ministry	the		
 Are HIV&AIDS response plans and implementation reports regularly reviewed at senior education ma 	nagement meeting	s?	Yes	
 Does HIV&AIDS feature in the annual work plans of Teacher Unions and/or the Teacher Service Com 	mission?2		No	
 Does the Ministry provide school-fee waivers and exemptions for the poor, orphaned, vulnerable or H 	IV&AIDS-affected?		Yes	
	Pre Primary	Yes	Lower Primary	No
Levels of education that receive free education	Upper Primary	No	Lower Secondary	No
	Upper Secondary	No	Tertiary	No
Does the Ministry of Education have a specific education sector HIV&AIDS policy?			Yes	
o If Yes, estimate how well this has been implemented?3			51 - 75%	
 If Yes, provide date of original adoption and publication? 	12.11.2008	3		
 If Yes, has it been revised since its adoption 			No	
 If Yes, when has it been revised since its adoption 			n/a	
o If No, are HIV&AIDS issues mainstreamed in the national Education Sector Policy?			n/a	
Does the Ministry of Education have a workplace policy addressing HIV&AIDS impact?			Yes	
 If Yes, estimate how effective this workplace policy is in addressing HIV&AIDS impact?⁴ 			76 - 100%	
o If Yes, provide date of original adoption and publication?			12.11.2008	}
o If Yes, has it been revised since its adoption and if so, when?	No			
 If Yes, when has it been revised since its adoption 	n/a			
Have Education Sector HIV&AIDS-related policies been regularly reviewed since their introduction?	Yes	<u> </u>		
o If "Yes", indicate how often these policies are reviewed?			Every 2 yea	rs
Have other Ministry rules and regulations been reviewed to address the impact and implications of HI	V&AIDS?		Yes	
Is Education included in the National HIV&AIDS Strategy?			Yes	

¹ Response was overwhelmingly "only within the MoET" with a few saying "occasionally"

² Participants were divided but a clear majority believed that it is not included

Overwhelming consensus that this should be 51-75%

Support was almost equally split between 51-75% and 76-100%, suggesting that 75% is probably the real consensus

4. HIV&AIDS MAINSTREAMING AND IMPLEMENTATION		
How seriously does the education sector regard the impact of HIV&AIDS on the impact of HIV&	the sector? ⁵	Moderate problem
 Is there an Education Sector HIV&AIDS strategic plan in place? 		Yes
o If Yes, in what year was this plan developed?		2007
o If Yes, in what year was this plan introduced?		2007
 If Yes, is there an action plan for the implementation of this strateg 	gic plan?	Yes
 If Yes, to what extent is this plan funded?⁶ 		26 - 50%
 Estimate the % implementation of this strategic plan?⁷ 		51 - 75%
Is HIV&AIDS response mainstreamed in the education management and plan	nning process at the National level?	Yes
 If Yes, estimate the effectiveness of mainstreaming HIV&AIDS res 	ponse?8	76 - 100%
Does the education sector have an Education Information Management Syst	rem (EMIS)?	Yes
 If Yes, has the EMIS system been reviewed and amended to inclu 	de HIV&AIDS-sensitive indicators?	Yes
 What was the most recent year for which EMIS captured and repo 	rted on these indicators?	2011
 Has EMIS undertaken any HIV&AIDS trend or impact analysis? 		Yes
 Is HIV&AIDS considered (e.g. as a line item) when making and budgeting dis 	Yes	
Has the Ministry decentralized any of its data collection and processing (EMI)	Yes	
Is HIV&AIDS-relevant data (e.g. teacher absenteeism/attrition, incidence of contents)	orphaning, etc.) being collected at decentralized	Yes
levels of the system?		
Has an assessment of the impact of HIV&AIDS on the education sector beer	n conducted?	Yes
o If Yes, in what year did this assessment take place?		2009
o If Yes, how much of the country did this assessment cover?		76 - 100%
 Have the key findings of this assessment been published 		Yes
 When were the key findings of this assessment published 		Every year on December
 If no assessment has taken place, is one planned 		n/a
 When is an assessment planned 		n/a
Identify and rank 5 key barriers to implementation	1 Stigma and discrimination	
	2 Enabling Environment	
	3 Perception Issues	
	4 Limited budget and resources	
	5 Cultural customs/Limited staff skills/Poor HIV&AIDS facilities	6 curriculum/Lack of

5. HUMAN RESOURCES	
Has an analysis of the impact of HIV&AIDS on demand and supply of human resources in the education sector has been conducted?	Yes
• Is there evidence of increased teacher attrition (e.g. permanent loss) in the system? ¹⁰	Yes
o If Yes, are there plans to increase teacher recruitment and training?	Yes
Have human resource policies been reviewed and amended to minimize vulnerability and susceptibility to HIV&AIDS (e.g. attention to safety in the workplace, avoidance of teacher deployment away from their families, etc.)	Yes
o If Yes, indicate how often these policies are reviewed?	Every 2 years
Are human resource issues possibly related to HIV&AIDS impact being monitored and reported on (e.g. absenteeism, sick leave, compassionate leave, attrition, increasing pension costs)?	No

6. EDUCATION SECTOR WORKPLACE HIV&AIDS PROGRAMS		
	National	Yes
Does the Ministry have a gender-sensitive HIV&AIDS awareness program for all its employees?	District	Yes
	Education instituion	Yes
Does the Ministry have a program aimed at preventing HIV infections among staff?	Yes	
 If Yes, are these prevention programs gender sensitive?¹² 		Yes
Have gender-sensitive guidelines for implementing universal precautions and ensuring safety in the workplace for use by all staff?	Yes	
Do Education Ministry teachers and staff have access to HIV voluntary counseling and testing (VCT) facilities.	Yes	
 Estimate % teachers and staff who have such access?¹³ 		51 - 75%

⁵ The majority view was that the MoET regards HIV&AIDS as a "moderate" problem with a minority suggesting this is a "major" problem
⁶ The majority of respondents said it was 26-50% funded with a minority saying 51-75%
⁷ The overwhelming majority said 51-75% with a minority saying 26-50%
⁸ The majority view was 76-100%, but a significant minority said 51-75% with 1 saying 26-50%
⁹ Most respondents said an impact analysis add been done, but many left this question blank, suggesting that they were uncertain or had no knowledge of this
¹⁰ Majority said yes but a small minority said no, suggesting uncertainty in some directorates
¹¹ This produced an event helping No. with only one saying Yes.

¹¹ This produced an overwhelming No, with only one saying Yes
12 Large majority said Yes with a small minority saying No
13 Majority said 51-75% but a significant number said it was 76-100%

	 Estimate % teachers and staff who use these facilities?¹⁴ 	51 - 75%
•	Has a referral system for access to HIV&AIDS treatment been established for Education Ministry teachers and staff?	Yes
	 If Yes, estimate % effectiveness of this referral system?¹⁵ 	51 - 75%
•	Does the Ministry have a policy of non-discrimination with regard to recruitment, advancement, continued employment and benefits for personnel affected by HIV&AIDS?	Yes
•	Does the Ministry of Education enforce confidentiality of information about Ministry employees affected by HIV&AIDS?	Yes
•	Are there accessible outlet points within or in the vicinity of all education sector workplaces (e.g. offices, schools or educational institutions) for the distribution of condoms? ¹⁶	Yes

7. HIV&AIDS AND THE CURRICULUM

Topics included in the core curriculum; support materials developed; and confirmation of adaptation of tertiary curriculum by level of education

	Inc	lusion in c	ore curricul	um ¹⁷	Su	Tertiary			
	Lower Primary	Upper Primary	Lower Secondary	Upper Secondary	Lower Primary	Upper Primary	Lower Secondary	Upper Secondary	curriculum adapted
Generic life skills	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Adolescent and reproductive health	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Sexuality education	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Gender equality and empowerment	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
HIV&AIDS and other STIs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stigma and discrimination, including homophobia	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Family life and inter-personal relationships	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

•	Estimate the % of schools in which these issues are covered in the curriculum and taught,	Lower Primary	100	Upper Primary	100			
	by school level: ¹⁹	Lower Secondary	100	Upper Secondary	100			
•	Is HIV&AIDS and related life skills issues a compulsory part of the curriculum?				Yes			
•	Is the HIV&AIDS subject area examinable?				Yes			
•	Has there been an orientation process for parents regarding life skills-related programs in s	schools?20			Yes			
	If Yes, indicate frequency of orientation sessions?							
		Systemic						
•	1	Yes						
	o If Yes, estimate % effectiveness of these efforts?							
	o If Yes, indicate whether these efforts are ad hoc (e.g. limited to local initiatives) or systematic?							
•	Estimate the % of students in the tertiary sector who have open or regular access to HIV&P prevention materials through their educational institutions?	AIDS information, av	wareness an	d	75			

Is there professional preparation of teachers through orientation and training in the following subject areas, by level?²¹

	Primary i	raining	Secondary Fraining		
	Pre Service	In Service	Pre Service	In Service	
Orientation Generic life skills	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Orientation Adolescent and reproductive health	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Orientation Sexuality education	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Orientation Gender equality and empowerment	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Orientation HIV&AIDS and other STIs	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Orientation Stigma and discrimination, including homophobia	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Orientation Family life and inter-personal relationships	√	✓	✓	✓	

Where orientation sessions for parents are conducted, they include the following topics

Sexuality education	✓
Life Skills	✓
Adolescent and reproductive health	✓
Gender	✓
STIs	✓
HIV&AIDS	✓
Homophobia and discrimination	✓

 Have systems to monitor the success of HIV&AIDS prevention messages throughout the education system been established? 	Yes
 If Yes, how often are the results of this monitoring reported?²² 	Every 2 years

¹⁴ Majority said 51-75% but a significant number said it was actually closer to 0-25%

¹⁵ Participants were split on this with the majority saying 51-75% while the balance were divided between 26-50% and 76-100%

¹⁶ Again a divided response with twice as many saying Yes as those saying No, but there appears to be some uncertatinty about this

¹⁷ Overwhelming majority said Yes to all issues at every level, but a minority said that there was no Sexuality Education at Lower Primary level and no Gender Equality and Empowerment Education at Lower and Upper Primary and Lower Secondary, suggesting some degree of specialist knowledge.

¹⁸ Almost all respondents said Yes to every category at every level, except for a dissenting voice who said there was No Sexuality or Gender Equity and Empowerment Education at Lower Primary

¹⁹ Overwhelming majority said there was 100% coverage at every level, but a minority said these estimates were closer to 92%, 94%, 96% and 97% respectively, suggesting some specialist knowledge - but in effect affirming that this was close to 100%

²⁰ The overwhelming majority again said 51-75% with a minority saying 75-100%

²¹ The overwhelming majority said Yes to availability of teacher training at all levels, although a significant minority said there was no PRESET at either Primary or Secondary levels.

²² Strangely, while the majority said "every year", a significant number said "every 2 years"

 Have efforts been made to include out-of-school youths in life skills and HIV&AIDS awareness efforts?²³ 										Yes
	o If Yes, estimate % the success of these efforts?									- 75%
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8. ORPHANS AND VULNERAB										
 Does the Ministry have a systematical description. 	em for ic	dentifying and categoriz	zing orpha	ans	and vulnerable chi	ldren?				No
 Does the Ministry have a gend system? 	der-sens	sitive program to addres	ss the nee	eds	of orphaned and v	ulnerable children	in the e	ducation		No
Does a gender-sensitive program for OVC address the following areas? On what basis are learners included in in the feet							eeding sch	emes?		
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Nutrition	n/a	Supervised medication	n/a		Orphaning		✓		hic Location	✓
Counselling	n/a	Flexible school hours	n/a		Vulnerability		\checkmark	Program	me Scaling	\checkmark
Fee waivers/exemptions Referrals (e.g. to Social Services)	n/a n/a	Other:	n/a	Poverty			√	care, mo		✓
boarding and boarding pup										
 Is there currently a school fee 	ding sch	eme in place?								Yes
Lower Primary 100 Uppe						Upper Primary	70			
o If Yes, estimate the coverage of this feeding scheme by school level ²⁴							per Secondary	32		
 If Yes, confirm whe 	ther this	coverage is growing, s	stable or s	shrin	ıking?				Gı	owing
Have teachers received training in caring for HIV-infected pupils?							Yes			

9. PARTNERSHIPS	
Does the education sector have a shared strategy on HIV&AIDS response with its local and international partners?	Yes
Please astimate the degree of success of this shared strategy/26	51 - 75%

Government ministries or agencies working on HIV&AIDS as partners with the Ministry of Education²⁷

the following levels?²⁵

To what extent (%) are counseling services, by trained counselors, available at schools at

	Partner?	Major or Minor Partner?
National AIDS Commission	✓	Major
Ministry of Health	✓	Major
Ministry of Social Services	✓	Minor
Ministry of Finance	✓	Minor
Ministry of Planning	✓	Minor
Ministry of Science & Technology	NR	Minor

Non-government education sector agencies, interest groups and partners which work on HIV&AIDS response in collaboration with the Ministry of **Education**

Lower Primary

Lower Secondary

70

90

78

Upper Primary

Upper Secondary

Local NGOs	✓	International NGOs	✓
Teacher Unions	✓	Teacher Service Commission	✓
Parent/Teacher Associations	✓	School Committees	✓
Youth Groups	✓	Private Sector	✓
Community-based organisations	✓	Faith-based and/or religious organizations	✓
Other: Education and Teacher councils at different levels	✓	Other: Labour (including teachers) unions at different levels	√

10.	RESEARCH	
•	Has a gender-sensitive research agenda been defined that prioritizes gaps in knowledge relating to the impacts of and response to HIV&AIDS within the education sector?	In process
•	Has any research been commissioned to inform the education sector response to HIV&AIDS?	Yes
•	If research has been commissioned, indicate whether this has been undertaken by in-country institutions/agencies or by external institutions/agencies or both?	Both
•	If both internal and external institutions/agencies were involved in research, were there any partnering arrangements providing mentoring or training?	Yes
•	If EDSEC HIV&AIDS impact or response research has been commissioned, indicate when this was conducted?	In the last 5 - 10 years

²³ There was a surprisingly split response to this question, suggesting uncertainty, lack of knowledge or even specialist knowledge: 33% said 26-50%; 47% said 51-75% and 20% said

²⁴ These percentages represent the aggregate of the responses received

²⁵ These percentages represent the aggregate of the responses received

²⁶ Response was split with a majority (60%) saying this was 51-75% while 40% said it was 76-100% ²⁷ Almost all respondents agreed that NAC, MoH, MoSS, MoFinance and MoPlanning were all partners, and most said that only NAC, MoH and MoSS were major partners. Ministry of Science and Technology was added as a minor partner.

		1	Evaluation on training material that mainstream HIV/AIDS prevention into training curriculumn for trainers , Date: 01.12.2011
•	If HIV&AIDS and education-related research has been conducted, please list these studies with approximate dates of completion and publication?	2	Study on the needs of pedagogic students on reproductive health and HIV/AIDS prevention, Date: 01.07.2010
	with approximate dates of completion and publication:	3	Study on HIV/AIDS prevention and ICHA model of Cambodia., Date: 01.12.2009
		4	
		5	

11. SELF-ASSESSMENT AND PRIORITIZATION28

How would you rate your Ministry, in terms of the		Low				High
implementation of response in each of the following areas?	Rank order	1	2	3	4	5
Ministry of Education HIV&AIDS structures	4					
Enabling environment for an effective response to HIV&AIDS	4					
HIV&AIDS mainstreaming and implementation	4					
Human resources adaptation to the impacts of HIV&AIDS	4					
Workplace HIV&AIDS programmes	4					
HIV&AIDS and the curriculum	4					
Orphans and Vulnerable Children	4					
Partnership development in response to HIV&AIDS	4					
Research guiding the response to HIV&AIDS in the education sector	4					

Rank the following priority areas in order of importance for funding	Rank	Most in		Least important						
	order	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Ministry of Education HIV&AIDS structures	2									
Enabling environment for an effective response to HIV&AIDS	1	1								
HIV&AIDS mainstreaming and implementation	3									
Human resources adaptation to the impacts of HIV&AIDS	4	1								
Workplace HIV&AIDS programmes	8	1								
HIV&AIDS and the curriculum	5									
Orphans and Vulnerable Children	7	1								
Partnership development in response to HIV&AIDS	6	1								
Research guiding the response to HIV&AIDS in the education sector	9									

Rank the following priority areas in order of importance	Rank	Most in	Most important							portant
for Technical assistance	order	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Ministry of Education HIV&AIDS structures	1									
Enabling environment for an effective response to HIV&AIDS	2									
HIV&AIDS mainstreaming and implementation	3									
Human resources adaptation to the impacts of HIV&AIDS	3									
Workplace HIV&AIDS programmes	4									
HIV&AIDS and the curriculum	4									
Orphans and Vulnerable Children	6									
Partnership development in response to HIV&AIDS	5									
Research guiding the response to HIV&AIDS in the education sector	7									

 $^{^{28}}$ Scores/rankings are an aggregate of all the responses received and so reflect the consensus of all participants Country Summary Report 2011 GPS $$^{\rm Page\,6\,of\,7}$$

Rank the following challenges to HIV&AIDS response	Rank	Most	challeng	ing					Lea	ast chall	enging
implementation	order	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Lack of leadership	4										
Funding/budget constraints	1										
Human Resource capacity and skills limitations	2										
Stigma and discrimination	6										
Lack of HIV&AIDS mainstreaming	3										
Lack of data and management information	9										
Little or no research	9									1	
Lack of training and orientation	5										
Ineffective monitoring, evaluation and reporting	7										
Lack of mandatory HIV&AIDS subject coverage in the curriculum	8										