UNESCO Enhancement of Literacy Programme in Afghanistan

“Every literate woman is victory over poverty” – Ban Ki-moon

GLOBAL LITERACY FACTS:
- 774 m Adults (15+)
- 122 m Youths (15 - 24)
- 74 m Female

LITERACY IS A RIGHT AND BENEFITS ALL
- Individual Empowerment
- Social Benefits and Equity
- Peace and Stability
- Cultural Preservation
- Cultural Re却
c- Economic Returns and Recovery

Afghanistan has one of the lowest literacy rates in the world

ILLITERATE POPULATION (15+)
10,335,836
Source: UIS, 2011

Youth Literacy % (15-24yrs)
62 (M) 47 (F)

Adult Literacy % (15yrs +)
45 (M) 17 (F)

TOTAL LEARNERS
630,000

ELA III Activities:
1. Basic Literacy Courses
2. Basic Literacy + Limited Skills Training
3. Basic Literacy + Skills Based Literacy + Capacity Building

PROVINCIAL COVERAGE

1. Basic Literacy Courses
- 47 Districts
- Total Learners: M 88,123, F 167,315

2. Basic Literacy + Limited Skills Training
- 99 Districts
- Total Learners: M 136,131, F 189,531

3. Basic Literacy + Skills Based Literacy + Capacity Building
- 183 Districts
- Total Learners: M 54%, F 66%

ECONOMIC COST OF ILLITERACY
Source: WLE, 2012

149.95 m

COLLABORATING FOR LITERACY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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