

Mitigation of HIV/AIDS Crisis in Asia through Education

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Goal and Objectives

Goal: To support 12 countries to improve HIV & AIDS prevention education programmes and thus prevent HIV infection among young people in and out of school

Objectives:

1. Consolidate knowledge and develop advocacy materials
2. Strengthen national and local capacity
3. Expand prevention education through media
4. Strengthen tools for monitoring and evaluation
5. Scale-up prevention education in schools



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Overall Results

- Strengthened HIV & AIDS prevention education in 12 countries in Asia, through schools, communication media, and advocacy
- An estimated half million people reached by those trained through the project
- Evidence base, advocacy materials, national and local capacity, school and media involvement expanded and improved



Consolidate Knowledge and Develop Advocacy Materials



- EDUCAIDS Resource Pack, including a Framework for Action, Overviews of Practical Resources, and Technical Briefs
- Ministry of Education HIV & AIDS Advocacy Toolkit and Teacher Training Manual
- Advocacy events in all 12 countries involving inter-agency collaboration
- Significant input in development of national HIV and AIDS strategies in several countries

Strengthen National and Local Capacity

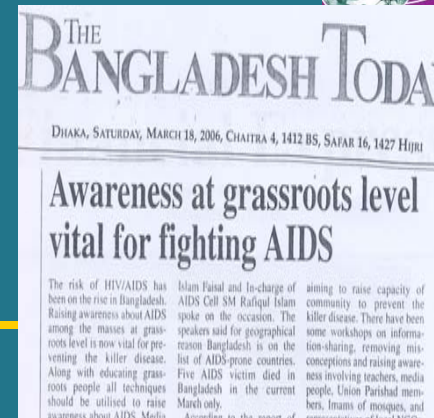
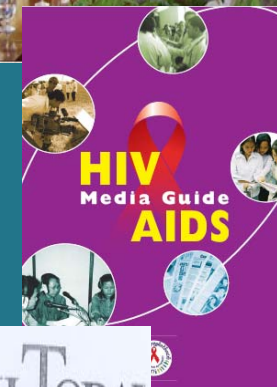
- Assessments in all 12 countries to inform programme development
- 5 sub-regional capacity-building workshops plus 1 more planned
- Training events in all 12 countries involving 5000 individuals (of which over 1000 teacher-trainers)
- Curriculum quality improvement in 6 countries plus curriculum quality improvement tool developed



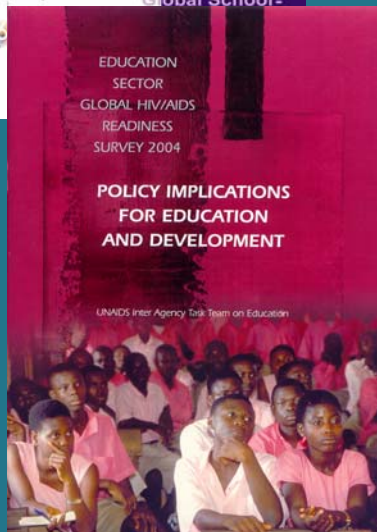
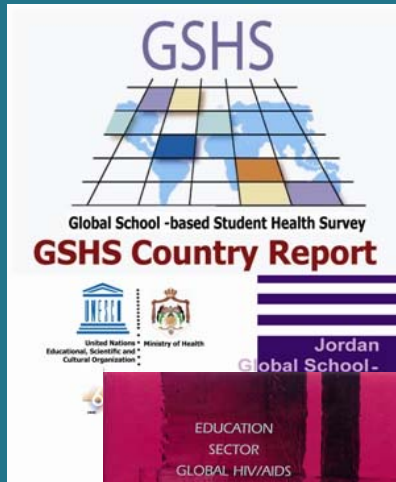
Expand Prevention Education through Media

Media action in 6 countries

- Press briefing kits (5 countries)
- Training for media workers (6 countries)
- Informal networking for media workers (6 countries)
- Formal media networks on HIV & AIDS (2 countries)



Strengthen Tools for Monitoring and Evaluation



Support provided for:

- Country participation in 71-country Global Readiness Survey
- Improvements in monitoring and evaluation tools in 2 countries
- Case study on coordination and harmonization in 1 country

Scale-up Prevention Education In Schools

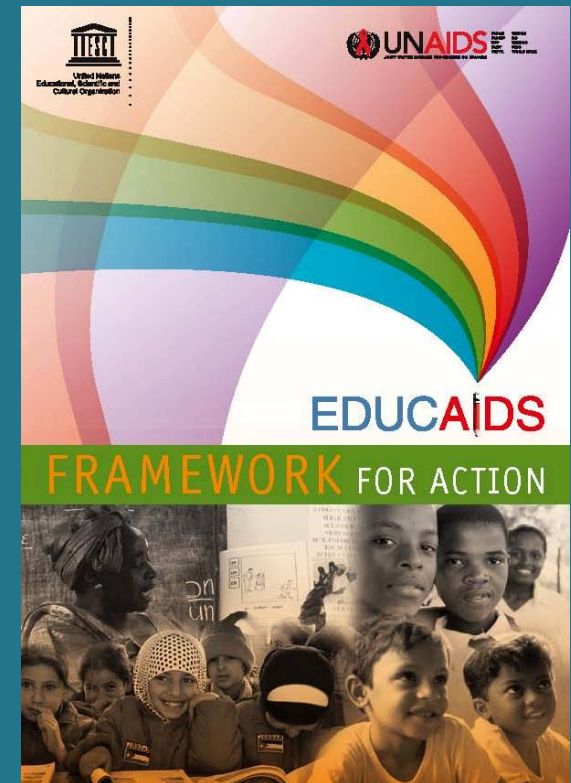
In all 12 countries:

- Assessments for programme development completed
- Partner forums utilised or established to advocate for school-based HIV & AIDS education
- School-based action undertaken, with emphasis on training teacher-trainers and improving curricula



A Focus on Coordinated Action for Implementation

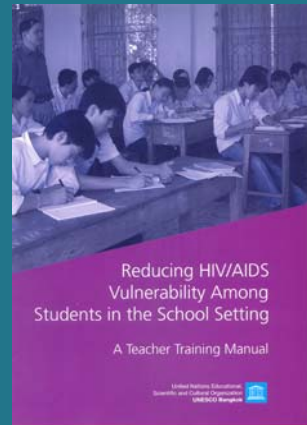
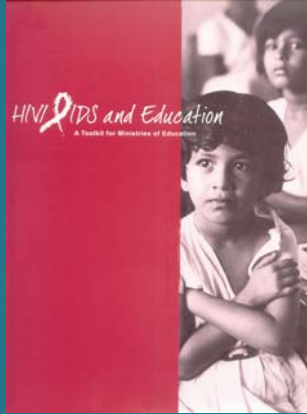
- Development of the EDUCAIDS Framework for Action
- Strengthened in-country partnerships with governments and civil society partners, other UN agencies and media





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Some Lessons Learned



- Stigma, discrimination and discomfort around HIV & AIDS remain high
- Strategic emphasis on teacher-trainers and curricula has multiplied coverage and increased sustainability of inputs
- It remains important to enable educators to teach more effectively about HIV & AIDS, and to link learners with HIV & AIDS information and services in the wider community