

South-South cooperation Activities in Education (UNESCO Islamabad)

1. ICT for Literacy (on-going)

Country Involved: Bangladesh, India, other E-9 countries

Activities:

- Developing the ICT based Literacy kit
- Piloting the kit at the literacy centers
- Organizing the E-9 ICT for Literacy Workshop with UNESCO New Delhi

Description:

The idea is to make use of digital technology in making lessons more interesting and provide an additional skill to the learner to improve his/her way of life. Pakistan's Government is quickly realizing the importance of using technology to keep up with the rest of the world and is promoting its use specifically in the education sector. In Pakistan, ICT based literacy kit is being developed. The kit includes software to facilitate an illiterate person to be literate through interactive learning with attractive audio and visuals. Once developed, the kit will be piloted at literacy ICT centers in urban and semi-urban areas.

2. Adult Literacy National Conference (on-going)

Country Involved: India, Nigeria, others

Activities:

- Setting up the preparation committee for the conference
- Organizing the national conference on Adult Literacy "How to Eradicate 58 Million Illiterates in Pakistan"

Description:

There was a high level International Conference on Adult Education in Abuja in Nigeria, organized by the Government of Nigeria and ActionAid. The State Minister of Education, Pakistan participated in the conference and showed her commitment to hold the national conference on Adult Education with international experts to follow up the high level conference. The Ministry of Education, National Commission for Human Development, UNESCO Islamabad, NGO and ActionAid have been jointly organizing the conference in June/July 2007.

3. Exchange of Successful Literacy Programme (completed in 2006)

Country Involved: Madagascar

Activities:

- Organizing the workshop to share the good experience of the literacy programme of Madagascar in Islamabad, Pakistan
- Study visit of two government officials of Pakistan to Madagascar