OPEN SCHOOL DATA IN BANGLADESH

What is the open school data programme developed by the Directorate of Primary Education?

The programme consists of transparency and accountability initiatives implemented by the Government in schools, including school monitoring boards and citizen charters. Parents receive 8 sets of data related to management issues.

What are the TIB School Report cards (SRC)?

Interventions undertaken by Transparency International Bangladesh (TIB) aiming at empowering parents by providing school data through leaflets, information desks, and meetings. Parents receive 12 sets of data, including on stipend amounts and services available in schools.

Why were open school data initatives implemented in Bangladesh?

Interventions were undertaken to address key issues related to access to information, stakeholder capacity, and obstacles to the quality of primary education.

Domain of Accountability

TIB: Pedagogy and Management

GIS: Pedagogy, Management and Finance

Features of open school data and SRC

- The open school data programme takes the format of baseline survey report, leaflets and display boards,
- TIB SRC provide additional information to parents. They are discussed during interactive parents' gatherings.

Impact on transparency and accountability

"[A] sense of responsibility has increased among us. Now we attend school on time. We are serious on teaching in class. We compare result and transparency issues with other schools." (teacher)

Key recommendations

1. Create legal provisions for disclosing school data,
2. Allocate budget to organise parents' and mothers' gatherings to discuss the school data,
3. Train stakeholders on the use of open school data,
4. Introduce community-led monitoring of school performance.

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