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# ALE Status in Afghanistan; Achievement and Challenges

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# Overall Status of ALE

- **School age population: 13.4 million**
- **Enrolment: 9.7 Million**
- **OOSC: 3.7 Million**
- NSIA, 2020): The literacy rate for youth(15-24) stands at 54%(68% male and 40.1% female).
- Similarly, the literacy rate among adults(aged above 24) stands at 36.1%(50.4% male and 21.7% female).
- The concept of Literacy and Adult Continuing Education has been newly institutionalized and takes time to be expanding to all Afghanistan.
- Formal and non-formal TVET is provided to youth and adults through various formal and non-formal institutions

# Key Achievements

- **Policy Environment:** Education by laws, policies, guidelines, Literacy & Adults learning bylaws, strategy, and policy developed, GBV,
- **Curriculum and Service Delivery Reform:** Redesign, Alignment and Reform
- **Governance and Leadership:** Coordination (inter ministries, with donors) , Expansion of Literacy Committees to 34 provinces, National Alliance for Literacy: inclusion of NGOs and Private Sector in resource mobilization and implementation
- **Expansion/Footprint:** 7.5 million students, Literacy centers in 22 provinces, CBE/ALC
- **Quality Improvement:** Professional development of teachers, Review of the Assessment System, M&E and Certification, ALAS with UENSCO

# 6. Potential Challenges

- Insecurity and political instability
- Financing and Funding gap
- Resources (Human and Institutional)
- Awareness affects willingness
- MoE Reform Agenda