



Kanyepi and his classmates use reading materials prepared by their teacher from Avondale Infant School in Zimbabwe.
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Education Out Loud, the Global Partnership for Education's (GPE) fund for advocacy and social accountability, supports stronger civic engagement to transform education systems in GPE partner countries.

Education Out Loud strengthens civil society organizations to mobilize citizens and affect policy change in the education sector. It also helps make advocacy more effective at the global, regional and national levels, promoting transparency efforts around education policies and practices.

Managed by [Oxfam Denmark](#), Education Out Loud is the largest fund in the world supporting both civil society advocacy and accountability for education with a funding envelope of US\$133 million.

What we do

Education Out Loud works with civil society organizations in more than 60 countries, funding activities across 6 main areas:

- ◆ **Policy dialogue:** participation of civil society in education planning and policy dialogue
- ◆ **Public engagement:** social mobilization, communications and campaigns supporting education
- ◆ **Data and transparency:** tool development to track public education budgets, program implementation and increase accountability
- ◆ **Analysis:** research on education challenges and policy implementation
- ◆ **Strengthening civic capacity:** regional and individual capacity support for education civil society/advocacy groups at the regional, individual and/or peer learning levels
- ◆ **Distilling of knowledge:** strategic research conducted by 4 renowned research organizations across the portfolio: [Accountability Research Center](#), [Institute of Development Studies at the University of Sussex](#), [UNESCO's International Institute for Educational Planning](#) and a consortium of [Management for Development Foundation](#) and [Australian Council for Educational Research](#)

Who can apply?

Nonprofit civil society organizations in GPE partner countries that work on improving transparency and effectiveness of national education policies are eligible to apply for grants.

Available grants

As of May 2023, all available grants have been awarded to 79 organizations. Beginning in June 2023, extension grants will be available through calls for proposals for grants to be implemented until December 2026.

Education Out Loud provides grants under three components:

Component 1

STRENGTHEN NATIONAL CIVIL SOCIETY
ENGAGEMENT IN EDUCATION PLANNING,
POLICY DIALOGUE AND MONITORING

Grant size:

Up to
US\$137,000 per year

Component 2

STRENGTHEN CIVIL SOCIETY ROLES IN PROMOTING
THE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF
THE NATIONAL EDUCATION SECTOR POLICY AND
IMPLEMENTATION

Grant size:

Up to
US\$250,000 per year

Component 3

CREATE A STRONGER GLOBAL AND NATIONAL
ENABLING ENVIRONMENT FOR NATIONAL CIVIL
SOCIETY ADVOCACY AND TRANSPARENCY EFFORTS

Grant size:

Up to
US\$320,000 per year

Our results

Since 2019, grantees have been instrumental in contributing to 90 national policy changes in 34 countries toward human rights-based approaches to education.

In **Mongolia**, the national education coalition with support from the Asia South Pacific Association for Basic and Adult Education advocated for improved and more equity-based and gender responsive budgeting for education, producing the study “Barriers to Education for Certain Groups of Children” in 2020. In 2022, the government approved the “Policy on Inclusive Education,” increasing education budget allocations and incentives for inclusion of children with disabilities in schools.

The national education coalition in **Nepal** has been an active player in piloting GPE 2025. As a member of the working group for partnership compact development, the coalition advocated for consultations in local languages to ensure that communities could contribute to the development of the partnership compact and play a role in monitoring the progress of fulfilling compact commitments.

For more information on Education Out Loud, visit educationoutloud.org and contact info@educationoutloud.org.