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Girls are 1.5 times more likely than boys to be denied their right to a primary education



90% of children living with disabilities in developing countries do not attend school



63% of illiterate adults are women

THE INVESTMENT CASE



Women with secondary education can earn nearly two times more income than women with no education

Women who are better educated have fewer unplanned children, are less likely to marry early, and are more likely to drive national economic growth



SOLUTIONS



Free or low-cost schooling



Transportation and infrastructure to make schools accessible



Safe, supportive, and genderresponsive school environments



Engagement of men and boys to challenge harmful gender norms and stereotypes that keep girls out of school



Give girls and women the chance to learn, and they will deliver more equitable, healthy, and prosperous societies.

ASKS

Create and enforce legislation, policies, plans, and budgets that promote gender equality in and through education at all levels, including legislation for compulsory 12 years of free, safe, gender-responsive quality schooling.

Reduce or eliminate the direct and indirect costs of schooling placed on families and communities across all levels of education

Work with young people, families, faith groups, and communities to raise awareness on the importance of educating girls and to change harmful gender norms.

Ensure gender-responsive education systems, which remove gender bias from curricula, textbooks, and pedagogy, as well as safe transportation, safe environments in schools, and appropriate water and sanitation infrastructure, such as menstrual hygiene management facilities and products.

Ensure the provision of comprehensive sexuality education that aligns with the UN's 2018 International Technical Guidance on Sexuality Education implemented fully in schools and out-of-schools

Invest in provisions that protect girls' access to education and skills-building opportunities in humanitarian and conflict settings.

Scale up education initiatives that focus on out-ofschool children and children with limited access to education, including children living with disabilities and indigenous peoples.

Invest in programs offering girls and women marketable skills through internships, apprenticeships mentoring programs, and training opportunities.

