

GENDER EQUALITY IN EDUCATION

THERE IS A MAJOR PROBLEM AFFECTING COUNTRIES AROUND THE WORLD. THAT PROBLEM IS GENDER EQUALITY IN EDUCATION

31 MILLION GIRLS WORLDWIDE

are unenrolled in primary school

17 MILLION GIRLS

are expected to never even enter school at all

34 MILLION ADOLESCENT GIRLS

are unenrolled in middle school



IN POOR COUNTRIES, GIRLS ARE FORCED INTO DOMESTIC WORK AND MARRIAGE THERE IS NO ROOM FOR AN EDUCATION



Almost a quarter of women aged 15-24 today have never completed primary school

THATS IS 116 MILLION WOMEN



3 SPECIFIC COUNTRIES HAVE OVER 1 MILLION GIRLS NOT AT SCHOOL:



Pakistan



Ethiopia



Nigeria

2/3 OF THE 774 MILLION ILLITERATE PEOPLE IN THE WORLD ARE FEMALE



THAT'S OVER 510 MILLION WOMEN

Illiteracy keeps households in the cycle of poverty ... with little hope of getting out

How do we fix this problem?

The solution starts with education



The first step is educating families about the importance of receiving an education



Good quality of education provides:

- More career opportunities for women
- Promotes economic growth
- Reduces poverty

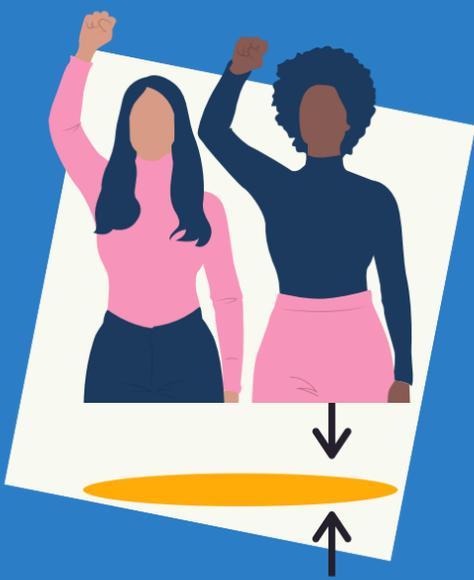
Change starts with addressing cultural gender norms



- These norms promote discrimination and limit the extent to which well-qualified women get access to better jobs.
- Teachers can affect subject choice and provide lessons that allow students to reflect on these norms.
- That can help break occupational stereotypes and gendered segregation, fostering a cultural shift.

This is what education does for women:

- Educated women are more likely to find work
- Educated women are less likely to die at childbirth
- Educated women are less likely to have children young
- Educated women are less likely to marry young
- Educated women are less likely to be assaulted
- Educated women have control over their lives



Who stands to benefit from gender equality in education?

ALL OF US



Together we can fix it