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Community awareness campaign on the importance of girl – child’s education in Chongwe, Zambia



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In this Seminar presentation Dr. Mwanza will draw your attention to the research findings of a Community Awareness Campaign on the Importance of the education of girls. She conducted this research project in Chongwe district, a rural area, in Zambia. The aim of the research project was to help parents and community members to have a positive attitude towards the education of girls.

Background: The education system in Zambia is characterized by inequalities between females and males with regards to enrolment figures, progression rates and learning achievement. The Ministry of Finance and National Planning states that: “At the basic educational level, for instance, in 1998 there were 810,873 boys enrolled compared to 747,151 girls with a concentration of girls between Grades 1 to 4. The gap widens from Grade 5 upwards, and gets even worse at secondary and tertiary levels” (Zambia, Ministry of Finance and National Planning, 2002:78). The Government of the Republic of Zambia (2003) further notes that the ratio of literate females to males (15 to 24 year olds) went down between 1990 and 2002. Additionally, the disparities between boys’ education and that of girls’ are worsened by high drop-out rates among girls at both primary and secondary schools. As the Government of the Republic of Zambia (2014:99) points out that: “In 2012, at primary level, 12,753 girls left school on account of having fallen pregnant...At secondary level in 2012, data indicates that 2,096 girls fell pregnant...”

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