

« Improving quality education in Haiti »

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In Haiti the 1987 Constitution acknowledges and guarantees to all citizens the right to education. In this country education increased of about 134 % between 2002/03 and 2006/2007, but it was only because the pupils didn't pass their year and repeated it.

The real problem is that teachers are not trained and don't have the required skills to teach pupils properly.

Since 2000 Plan has carried out a program with the Ministry of Education to promote quality education.

Working in partnership with a local NGO it targets quality education and takes care of about 9.251 pupils, 210 teachers and directors in 30 schools.

Furthermore, this program will benefit more than 100.000 families and 92 communities living in the Northeast (Ouanaminthe), in the West (Beudet) and in the Southeast (Cayes-Jacmel).

The over-all program's goal is **to reinforce quality education and school administration by training teachers and directors**; it is focused on 4 main points:

- increasing the enrolment rate
- reducing drop-outs
- reducing year-repeating
- improving pupils' performances in fundamentals skills and basic education

The specific objectives of the project are:

- completing the training of primary education teachers initiated by Plan Haiti in 2005 (study of Social and Experimental Sciences, History and Geography, Biology and Physics)
- editing a pedagogic guide for teachers (they learn teaching with participative and fun methods)
- providing access to mobile libraries for schools (which consists of a big suitcase with 25 books written in Creole and French)

At the end of this project, Plan will carry-out an over-all analysis using two samples of pupils: the children who benefited from this program and the children who didn't participate to this project.

The total budget is 140 000 dollars (95 000 Euros).