

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION**POLICY ON PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS IN EDUCATION**

1. FOREWARD

The Ministry of Education is committed to Public Private Partnerships in Education because it recognizes that it no longer needs to be in control of the means by which education is delivered. It also believes that education would be delivered more efficiently, effectively and at a lower cost through such partnerships.

2. KEY PRINCIPLES

1. Giving parents freedom, where possible, to choose a school for their child is important because our nation is founded on the principle of liberty.
2. Allowing parents to choose their child's school will give students in all the seven provinces of the country equal access to quality educational resources.
3. Exposing the school system to market conditions will increase efficiency, induce innovation and help raise the educational achievement of children.

4. POLICY STATEMENT

In support of the Government's Public Private Partnership Policy, our overall mission and the principles outlined above, the Ministry of Education will enter into Public Private Partnerships with appropriately qualified private providers for:

- (a) the design, development and management of new schools and higher education facilities;
- (b) the management of existing government schools and higher education facilities;
- (c) the provision of ancillary services.

5. REASONS FOR POLICY

- (a) For compliance with the Government's Public Private Partnership Policy
- (b) To introduce school choice for parents
- (c) To infuse school management best practices into our school system

- (d) To raise the educational achievement of children
- (e) To improve efficiency in resource allocation and utilization in the school system

6. PROCEDURE

- (a) Request for EOI and release of EOI documentation
- (b) EOI Briefing
- (c) Submission of EOI Responses
- (d) Announcement of Shortlisted Proponents
- (e) Submission of Binding Bids
- (f) Contractual Close

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