



AGA KHAN FOUNDATION

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Re: Habiba International

We write to confirm that Habiba International was one of the local implementing partners of the Aga Khan Foundation (AKF) in Education for Marginalized Children in Kenya (EMACK) project in 30 primary schools in Mandera East and North of the former North Eastern Province of Kenya from 2010 to 2014. EMACK was the initiative of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MOEST), AKF and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

EMACK aimed at improving learning outcomes for children in primary grades 1, 2 and 3 in 800 primary schools in Kenya. Below are some of the achievements of the project:

- Trained and supported 3,454 teachers (67% were female);
- Trained and supported 3,169 teachers and education leaders on Education Community of Practice;
- Built the capacity of 184 MOEST officials (30% were female);
- Supported 797 schools to develop SDPs of which 88% have prioritized reading;
- Supported 27% of schools in conflict and crisis areas in Nairobi and North Eastern Province.

As a result of these achievements, reading fluency for English and Kiswahili for learners in EMACK supported schools has improved significantly compared to control schools.

The timely and successful delivery of EMACK's project would not have been possible without the support and collaboration of its implementing partners that includes Habiba International. We would also like to reiterate that Habiba International worked in some of the most remote and isolated districts in the former North Eastern Province, and despite the challenges with access and security, the organisation was able to successfully implement the project.

AKF was very pleased to work with Habiba International as one of its partners in implementing EMACK.

Sincerely

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