



**Follow-up of CONFINTEA VI:**

**Reporting template for National progress reports in preparation of the  
*Global Report on Adult Learning and Education (GRALE)*  
 and the end of the  
 United Nations Literacy Decade (UNLD)**

**National progress report submitted by  
 the Government of Kingdom Of Bahrain**

This report is submitted on behalf of the Government of Kingdom Of Bahrain in accordance with the commitments made at the Sixth International Conference on Adult Education (CONFINTEA VI)<sup>1</sup> as laid down in the *Belém Framework for Action*<sup>2</sup>, specifically with regard to monitoring its follow-up.

This report is organised in different sections according to the key areas of CONFINTEA VI. Accompanying this are the explanatory notes<sup>3</sup>, which are meant to provide further clarification.

Institution responsible for submitting this report	Ministry of Education Continuous Education Directorate
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<sup>1</sup> For more information about CONFINTEA VI see: <http://www.unesco.org/en/confinteavi/>

<sup>2</sup> Available in nine languages at <http://www.unesco.org/en/confinteavi/belem-framework-for-action/>

<sup>3</sup> The explanatory notes are intended to be a reference material to clarify the scope and background of the reporting template and explain some basic terms.

## Report elaboration process

Which institutions and stakeholders provided input to this report?	<i>Mark all that apply</i>
Government Ministries	
Agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/>
Defence	<input type="checkbox"/>
Education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Foreign Affairs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interior/Home affairs	<input type="checkbox"/>
Labour	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Others (please mark and specify below)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Civil society organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>
National non-governmental organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>
International non-governmental organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>
Educational or research institutions/Universities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Private sector companies	<input type="checkbox"/>
United Nations agencies	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-UN bilateral or multilateral organisations	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Others (please mark and specify below)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*Briefly provide any additional information on the process by which this report has been produced, including information on: 1) which types of public authorities were consulted or contributed to its preparation; 2) how the stakeholders were consulted and how the outcomes of this consultation were taken into account; and 3) the types of references used as a basis for reporting.*

This report was completed by the directorate of continuous education whose main job is to eradicate illiteracy among the age group 15+ who are not registered in a formal education establishment.

1. Definitions and data collection on adult learning and education		
	Yes	No
1.1 Does your country have an official definition of <b>adult education</b> ? <i>If Yes, please provide it in the space below:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.1.1 Are other definitions used in practice? <i>If Yes, please provide them in the space below:</i> The Unesco's definition for literacy. " the term 'adult education' denotes the entire body of organized education proces, whateverthe content, level and method, ehether formal or otherwise, whether they prolong or replace initial education in schools, colleges and universities as well as apprenticeship, whereby persons regarded as adult by the society to which they belong develop their abilities, enrich their knowledge, improve their technical or proffessional qualifications or turn them into a new direction and bring about changes in their attitudes or behaviour in the twofold perspective of social, economic and vultural development, adult education, however, must not be considered as an entity in itself, it is a subdivision, and an integral part of, a global scheme for life-long education and learning;	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
1.2 Has your country adopted or developed an official definition of <b>literacy</b> ? <i>If Yes, please provide it in the space below:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.2.1 Are other definitions used in practice? <i>If Yes, please provide them in the space below:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1.3 How is literacy data obtained in your country?  <i>Please select the option(s) below</i> National census School administrative data (years of schooling completed/primary certificate) Direct testing (e.g. Literacy Assessment and Monitoring Programme, LAMP) Household surveys Other methodology ( <i>please describe below</i> ):		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
1.4 Has your country changed literacy data collection methods since the UNLD mid-term review in 2006?  <i>If Yes, please select the option(s) below that best describe the change(s)</i> New conceptual definition on literacy in place (for policy) New conceptual definition on literacy in place (for data collection only) New assessment of youth and/or adults' literacy skills Increase in the periodicity without significant conceptual changes Other changes ( <i>please provide details below</i> ):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
1.5 Has your country faced challenges in collecting literacy data?		

*If Yes, please describe them briefly in the space below:*

1.6 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in this section.

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## 2. Policy: political commitment to adult education and adult literacy

2.1 Does your country have laws, legal regulations or other public policy measures/initiatives with a primary focus of supporting lifelong learning, adult education and adult literacy? Please name them, giving the year in which they were enacted and adding documentation/evidence, if possible.

	Yes	No	<i>If Yes: name of legal/policy instrument and references (add as many lines as needed)</i>	Year
Lifelong learning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One of the most prominent aspects of ensuring EFA in the Bahrain Constitution is guaranteeing the right to education, as stated in Article Seven, paragraph (a) of the Constitution states that:  "The State sponsors the sciences, humanities and the arts, and encourages scientific research.  The State also guarantees educational and cultural services to its citizens. Education is compulsory and free in the early stages as specified and provided by law. The necessary plan to combat illiteracy is laid down by law."</li> <li>• Based on that, the Kingdom of Bahrain has issued the Education Law no. 27 of 2005, which states the compulsory of basic education for those who are of six years old up to age fifteen; this is considered one of the measures to eradicate illiteracy in the country. Article Nine of the law, states that:  "Literacy and Adult Education is a national responsibility which aims at upgrading its citizens culturally, socially and professionally, and the Ministry plans to eradicate illiteracy."</li> </ul>	2005
Adult education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Adult literacy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		

2.2 Which target groups of learners do current national adult education and/or adult literacy policies address? Examples could include women, youth, indigenous peoples, minority linguistic/ethnic groups, migrants, individuals with disabilities, rural residents, prisoners and others (please specify). Which age groups are targeted? What is the size of the target group?

	<i>Specific target groups, including age range (add as many lines as needed)</i>	<i>Total number of individuals in the group</i>
Adult education Adult literacy	All citizens and expats in the age 15+ who are not joining any formal education establishments.	

2.3 Has your country set any goals and deadlines that national policy/ies in adult education and/or adult literacy are expected to reach? If yes, please specify the goal and, if applicable, relevant timeframe.			
	Yes	No	
			<i>Specify goal</i>
			<i>Specify timeframe</i>
Adult education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	In the light of the main goal in this area, represented in achieving a 50% improvement in levels of adult literacy by 2015.
Adult literacy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

2.4 Does your country have a policy on the language of instruction in adult education?	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><i>If Yes, please provide a brief explanation and references in the space below including when it was put in place:</i></p> <p>The State religion will be Islam and the Islamic Shari'a will be the main source for legislation. The official language will be Arabic</p>		

2.5 Does your country have a policy framework to recognise, validate and accredit non-formal and informal learning?	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><i>If Yes, please provide a brief explanation and references in the space below, including when this policy framework was put in place:</i></p> <p>A scale of 6 years informal accredited by the Ministry of Education which equal 9 in the formal education.</p>		

2.6 Have action plans been formulated or updated since CONFINTEA VI (December 2009) at national or sub-national level?	Yes	No
<b>Adult education</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><i>If Yes, please provide a brief explanation and references:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Building adult education curriculum based on the actual needs of the targeted groups, which would allow learners to gain the skills, knowledge and attitudes which will benefit them in their daily lives.</li> <li>- Offering a variety of programs and curricula directed towards adults in accordance with the needs of the learners and the variety of groups enrolled in adult education.</li> <li>- Employing modern teaching methods and techniques in adult education.</li> <li>- Development the evaluation methods of adults and continuing education programmes.</li> <li>- Moving from the low-level of skills and competencies which do not exceed memorization, retrieval of information and comprehension of questions in the examinations to a higher-level.</li> <li>- Ensuring professional development training for adult education teachers and supervisors.</li> <li>- Improving adult education teacher's competencies to be able to address adult learner's needs and to equip them with self-learning and self-evaluation techniques, as well as to develop their willingness to continue learning.</li> <li>- Strengthening the link between adult education and the needs of the labor market.</li> </ul>		
<b>Adult literacy</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><i>If Yes, please provide a brief explanation and references:</i></p> <p>The kingdom of Bahrain seeks in its plans to enhance literacy programmes to achieve the level of civilized and functional literacy, to eradicate illiteracy, and to ensure no deterioration happen to those who succeeded in literacy programmes.</p>		

2.7 Have adult education and adult literacy been included in other national plans/strategies?			
<b>Adult education:</b>	<i>Mark all that apply</i>	<i>Timeframe</i>	<i>References</i>
<p style="text-align: center;">National Development Plan</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Education strategy</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Skills development (including vocational education and training) strategy</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>		<p>Linking literacy and adult education programmes with the development plans and the technological developments in practice and working mechanisms.</p>

Education For All Fast Track Initiative (EFA FTI) Education Sector Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable development strategy <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify in the space below) <input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>Adult literacy:</b>	<i>Mark all that apply</i>	<i>Timeframe</i>	<i>References</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  National Development Plan Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper Education strategy Skills development (including vocational education and training) strategy Education For All Fast Track Initiative (EFA FTI) Education Sector Plan Sustainable development strategy Other (specify in the space below)	<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>		Linking literacy and adult education programmes with the development plans and the technological developments in practice and working mechanisms.

2.8 Have adult learners and/or adult literacy learners been involved in discussions about your policy and or plans?				
	Yes	No	<i>Specify policy/plan (add as many lines as needed)</i>	<i>References</i>
Adult education	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Adult literacy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<i>If Yes, please elaborate how they have been involved.</i>				

2.9 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in this section.



	<b>Adult education</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>If Yes, please provide name and contact details:</i> Centre of Excellence for Tech and Voc. Education			
	<b>Adult literacy</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If Yes, please provide name and contact details:</i>			

3.3 Does the national government conduct specific actions intended to facilitate cooperation among the different stakeholders in...	Yes	No
<b>...adult education?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If Yes, please indicate what activities are undertaken and/or which frameworks are in place and provide references:</i>		
<b>...adult literacy?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If Yes, please indicate what activities are undertaken and/or which frameworks are in place and provide references:</i>		

3.4 Does the national government provide capacity-building to ensure that the different stakeholders are able to participate in policy and programme development, implementation and evaluation in...	Yes	No
<b>...adult education?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If Yes, please indicate what activities are undertaken and provide references:</i>		
<b>...adult literacy?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If Yes, please indicate what activities are undertaken and provide references:</i>		

3.5 Do local communities play a role in the planning, implementation and evaluation of programmes in ...	Yes	No
<b>...adult education?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>...adult literacy?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

3.6 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in this section.	

#### 4. Financing: investment in adult education and adult literacy

4.1 Data on public expenditure provided in this questionnaire should refer to actual expenditure. If actual expenditure is not available, please provide budget allocation.

Please indicate which data are reported:

<i>Actual expenditure</i> <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Budget allocation</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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4.2 Please indicate the name of the currency used for reporting:

Bahraini dinnar (BD)
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4.3 Please indicate the monetary unit used in the following tables:

<i>Units</i> <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Hundreds</i> <input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Thousands</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<i>Millions</i> <input type="checkbox"/>
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4.4 What was the overall public expenditure on education and training in the financial years ending in 2009 and 2010 (in nominal local currency)?<sup>4</sup>

	<i>Amount (2009)</i>	<i>Amount (2010)</i>	<i>Source</i>
<i>National government</i>			Ministry of Education Only
<i>Sub-national governments</i> <sup>5</sup>			
<i>Total</i>			

4.5 Are equivalent figures on the financial contributions to adult education by the following agents available?

	<i>Amount (2009)</i>	<i>Amount (2010)</i>	<i>Not available</i>
<i>National government</i>	500,000	500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sub-national governments</i> <sup>5</sup>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Civil society organisations</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Donors/international aid (not loans)</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Private companies</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Learners/households</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

4.6 Are equivalent figures on the financial contributions to adult literacy by the following agents available?

	<i>Amount (2009)</i>	<i>Amount (2010)</i>	<i>Not available</i>
<i>National government</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sub-national governments</i> <sup>5</sup>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Civil society organisations</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Donors/international aid (not loans)</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Private companies</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<sup>4</sup> Include both current and capital expenditure on education and training directly allocated to educational institutions as well as transfers and payments to students (scholarships, grants or loans for tuition fees and/or living expenses) and the private sector. Exclude expenditure other than for educational institutions (e.g. general administration at ministry level). If the information is not available, please provide the best possible estimates. In any case, attach a detailed explanation on how this amount was computed and possible anomalies (elements not covered, etc.).

<sup>5</sup> Control for the potential double-counting effect of transfers across different government levels.

<i>Learners/households</i>			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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4.7 Have new mechanisms or sources of funding for adult education and adult literacy been introduced since CONFINTEA VI (December 2009)?	Yes	No
<i>If Yes, please provide a brief description:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

4.8 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in this section.

## 5. Participation: youth and adults' access to, and participation in, education and literacy programmes

5.1 Please indicate the areas of learning that are addressed by different organisations. Identify target groups (for example women, youth, indigenous peoples, minority linguistic/ethnic groups, migrants, individuals with disabilities, rural residents, prisoners and others) and if information and communication technologies (ICTs) are used.

<b>Public sector organisations</b>	<i>Mark all that apply</i>	<i>Target group(s)</i>	<i>Use of ICT</i>
<i>Literacy (reading, writing, numeracy)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Men, women, youth, prisoners, individuals with disability and minority linguistic	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Vocational (technical, income-generation-related)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Men, women, youth	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Life skills and/or health issues</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Men, women, youth, individuals with disability and minority linguistic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Use of information and communication technologies</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Men, women, youth and minority linguistic	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Official/local languages</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Men, women, youth, and minority linguistic	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Foreign languages</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Men, women and youth	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Human rights/civic education</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Liberal education/personal growth (i.e. artistic, cultural)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other (please provide a brief description below:)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Private companies</b>	<i>Mark all that apply</i>	<i>Target group(s)</i>	<i>Use of ICT</i>
<i>Literacy (reading, writing, numeracy)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Vocational (technical, income-generation-related)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Life skills and/or health issues</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Use of information and communication technologies</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Official/local languages</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Foreign languages</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Human rights/civic education</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Liberal education/personal growth (i.e. artistic, cultural)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other (please provide a brief description below:)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Civil society or non-governmental organisations</b>	<i>Mark all that apply</i>	<i>Target group(s)</i>	<i>Use of ICT</i>
<i>Literacy (reading, writing, numeracy)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Vocational (technical, income-generation-related)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

<i>Life skills and/or health issues</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Use of information and communication technologies</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Official/local languages</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Foreign languages</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Human rights/civic education</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Liberal education/personal growth (i.e. artistic, cultural)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>Other (please provide a brief description below:)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

5.2 Are there surveys on provision and demand?		
	Provision	Demand
<b>On adult education</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>On adult literacy</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Please provide references or attach reports that may have been produced with the information generated by these surveys (if any).</i>		

5.3 Please list which languages are used for the provision of literacy programmes. Indicate if learning materials are available in the respective language. <i>(add as many lines as needed)</i>		<i>Mark if language of learning materials</i>
Arabic		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>

5.4 List and describe briefly any key challenges related to implementing literacy classes in languages other than the official/dominant language(s).

5.5 Have the languages in which literacy programmes are offered changed since the UNLD mid-term review in 2006?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If Yes, please provide a brief description and references:</i>		

5.6 At what administrative levels are literacy learning materials developed and who is involved in the process?			
	<i>Mark all that apply</i>	<i>Are local communities involved?</i>	
		Yes	No
<i>National level</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>Sub-national level</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

*Please provide references or attach documents on local community participation:*

5.7 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in 5.1 to 5.6. Pay particular attention to innovative practices and services for marginalised groups.

5.8 Does the government collect information on the following items...?	<i>Mark all that apply</i>
Enrolment in adult education programmes (other than literacy programmes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Attendance in adult education programmes (other than literacy programmes)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completion of adult education programmes (other than literacy programmes)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Enrolment in literacy programmes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Attendance in literacy programmes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Completion of literacy programmes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If this information is available please attach the corresponding figures and documentation, or provide the references:</i>	

5.9 Does the government measure the learning outcomes of the following programmes...? (mark all that apply)				
	Only by teachers/facilitators	Standardised tests for statistical purposes	Standardised tests for certification purposes	Other
<b>Adult education</b> programmes (other than literacy)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Adult literacy</b> programmes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>If this information is available please attach the corresponding figures and documentation, or provide the references:</i>				

5.10 Are there differences between men and women in terms of their participation in adult education and/or adult literacy programmes?	<i>Mark all that apply</i>	
	Yes	No
<b>Adult education</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Adult literacy</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>If yes: Who participates more?</i>	Adult education	Adult literacy
Women	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Men	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>If there are differences: Have measures have been undertaken to address these differences in adult education/adult literacy programmes?</i>	Yes	No
<b>Adult education</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Adult literacy</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<i>If measures have been undertaken please provide a brief description and references:</i>		

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5.11 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in 5.8 to 5.10. Pay particular attention to equity-related issues regarding access, participation and outcomes.

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## 6. Quality: quality assurance

6.1 Do quality criteria for adult education and adult literacy exist in the following areas: curriculum, learning materials, facilitators' training, teaching/learning methodology and assessment of learning outcomes? If yes, please specify. Since when have they been in place?

### Adult education

Area	Mark when quality criteria are in place	Indicate year when quality criteria were introduced	Specify quality criteria in place
Curricula	<input type="checkbox"/>		All quality criteria approved for formal education program are approved for informal education program since all these programs started
Learning materials	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Facilitators' training	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Teaching/ learning methods	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Assessment of learning outcomes	<input type="checkbox"/>		

### Adult literacy

Area	Mark when quality criteria are in place	Indicate year when quality criteria were introduced	Specify quality criteria in place
Curricula	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Learning materials	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Facilitators' training	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Teaching/ learning methods	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Assessment of learning outcomes	<input type="checkbox"/>		

6.2 Are there pre-service and in-service training programmes for educators/facilitators for adult education and adult literacy? Please mark all that apply, considering provider and type of training programme.

<b>Adult education</b>				
Provider	Pre-service		In-service	
	Mark if yes	Typical duration (months)	Mark if yes	Typical duration (months)
Governmental institution	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3
University	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Private company	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Non-governmental organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Adult literacy</b>				
Provider	Pre-service		In-service	
	Mark if yes	Typical duration (months)	Mark if yes	Typical duration (months)
Governmental institution	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3
University	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Private company	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Non-governmental organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	

6.3 What is the average monthly remuneration (in nominal local currency) for a full-time educator/facilitator in the following programmes? (*academic year ending in 2010*)

Programme	Monthly average remuneration if available	Remarks/source
<b>Adult education</b> (excluding literacy programmes)	BD 250	
<b>Adult literacy</b>	BD 200	

6.4 Have any initiatives been undertaken by the government concerning the working conditions of adult educators/facilitators/volunteers? Please mark if yes.

	Mark all that apply
<b>Adult education</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Adult literacy</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

6.5 Have the national or sub-national governments implemented monitoring and evaluation mechanisms? (*If yes, mark all that apply*)

	Monitoring	Evaluation
<b>Adult education</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Adult literacy</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

*Please provide a brief description and references:*

6.6 Have the national or sub-national governments commissioned studies in order to inform policy and programme design and implementation since 2009?

<b>Lifelong learning</b> <b>Adult education</b> <b>Adult literacy</b>	<i>Mark all that apply</i>
	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p><i>If one or more of the boxes is marked, please provide a brief description and references:</i></p>	

<p>6.7 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in this section.</p>

**7. CONFINTEA VI follow-up: additional activities**

7.1 Please indicate which activities have been implemented as a follow-up to CONFINTEA VI and the implementation of the *Belém Framework for Action*.

	<i>Mark if taken place</i>
Advocacy events (conference, forum, etc.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Media campaigns	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications (booklets, leaflets, posters, etc.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Creation of committees to streamline adult education and adult literacy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adult Learners Week/Learning festivals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Creation of learners' networks and/or fora	<input type="checkbox"/>
Translation of the <i>Belém Framework for Action</i> into the national language	<input type="checkbox"/>
Presenting the <i>Belém Framework for Action</i> to parliament	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elaboration of a funding plan	<input type="checkbox"/>
Development of a national roadmap for the implementation of the <i>Belém Framework for Action</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other ( <i>please specify below</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/>

7.2 Is there any innovative experience in adult education and/or adult literacy that has been developed in your country since 2009 (CONFINTEA VI) that could be instructive for other countries? If yes, provide a brief description and references.

7.3 Please provide any additional information, explanations or comments that you consider relevant in order to clarify any potential issues regarding the information in this section.

**8. The United Nations Literacy Decade (2003-2012): specific activities under the framework of the UNLD after the mid-term review in 2006**

8.1 Which specific advocacy initiatives/ activities for youth and adult literacy have been undertaken in your country in the last five years? Please rank the frequency/intensity and results or impact of such advocacy work.

	Frequency				Results			
	very frequent	often	hardly	never	excellent	good	modest	no results
Advocacy events (conference, forum, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Media campaigns	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Publications (booklets, leaflets, posters, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8.2 Have there been specific initiatives/ activities in support of...?

	Yes	No
... women and girls?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p><i>If yes, please provide a brief description and references:</i>                      The MoE took several measures, which helped regulating learners attendance and the alleviation of the two problems, namely dropout and unwillingness in which reduce the illiteracy rate among the population. Some of the actions taken are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Opening –morning classes for women who could not attend the evening classes which has helped to reduce the dropout rates among them.</li> <li>- Providing transportation for learners, especially women.</li> <li>- Providing kindergartens in most centers for learner's children care. This humanistic and civilized action was taken to solve one of the problems leading to the learner's dropout, as they were not able to leave their children unattended for a long time. This project has greatly increased the enrollment ratio and helped women to continue their education.</li> </ul>		
... other excluded/ under-represented/underprivileged groups?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p><i>If yes, please provide a brief description and reference:</i></p>		

8.3 How would you rate the impact of the UN Literacy Decade in helping to boost your advocacy efforts for literacy?			
It has been extremely helpful <input type="checkbox"/>	It has helped a lot <input type="checkbox"/>	It has helped a little <input type="checkbox"/>	It has not helped <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If your answer is different from "it has not helped", please provide below a brief explanation and examples of advocacy efforts, commenting on their degree of success:			

8.4 Have literacy policies changed in your country in the last five years?	Yes	No
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please specify how they have changed below and provide evidence.		
Compulsory Education law has been implemented for ages 6-15, instead of evaluating education system		

8.5 Have your literacy targets changed over the last five years?	Yes	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>If yes, please provide below a brief explanation:</i>		

8.6 What are the country's current capacity-building needs in literacy and what are the obstacles and challenges in meeting them?
<p>1- Regulation of training courses for involved employees.</p> <p>2- Teaching methods for each subject in the form of intensive theoretical and practical training courses.</p> <p>3- A supervision system to monitor trainees.</p> <p>4- Providing training programmers aiming at upgrading teachers competencies in the subject matters.</p> <p>Obstacles are:</p> <p>1- Refrain to enroll in the adult education.</p> <p>2- The diversity of the wide illiterate's audience, in terms of the non-cognitive variables, such as sex, age, previous educational experience, profession ,marital status, economic situation and punctuality.</p> <p>3- Diversity of categories and levels of teachers, where a large percentage of these teachers have educational background in formal education of the young, but they lack adequate professional preparation for teaching adults learners.</p> <p>4- The absorption of the adult education centers of learners of various ages and backgrounds, which affects the ability of learners to achieve an effective communication between them, and responding to their interests and needs.</p>

8.7 What are the major challenges for your literacy programme/s regarding planning and implementation, administration, monitoring and evaluation?
<p>1- Equipped centers for the provision of services and training.</p> <p>2- Allocation of sufficient budget.</p>

8.8 Are there other obstacles or major challenges in increasing efforts in literacy?  
Which of these areas, or other areas, requires further research?

- 1- Finance.
- 2- Teachers refrain working in evening centers.

8.9 What are the prospects for sustaining efforts in literacy beyond 2013, and which steps does your government plan to take in this regard?

1. Designing adult education programs based on the actual needs of the learners.
2. Employing modern teaching methods and techniques in education.
3. Developing adults and continuing education programmes evaluation methods.
4. Ensuring professional development training for those working in adult education.
5. Developing adult education teachers' competencies so to be able to address adult learners' needs and to equip them with self-learning and self-evaluation techniques, as well as develop their desire to continue learning.
6. Strengthening the link between adult education and the needs of the labor market.