

#### BEHAVIOR PROFILE: TEACHERS PROTECT LEARNERS

DEMOCRACY AND GOVERNANCE GOAL

Reduce school-related gender-based violence

**BEHAVIOR** 

Teachers protect learners from GBV and related actions without recrimination, discrimination, or apprehension

🗥 % of learners at each school who believe telling teachers about incidents of sexual violence or harassment makes the situation better

#### **BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS**

#### SUPPORTING ACTORS AND ACTIONS

## **STRATEGY** POSSIBLE PROGRAM STRATEGIES

#### **BEHAVIOR AND STEPS**

#### **FACTORS**

Who must support the practice of this behavior,

and what actions must they take?

What steps are needed to practice this behavior?

What factors may prevent or support practice of

What strategies will best focus our efforts based on this analysis?

**ENABLING ENVIRONMENT** 

#### **Behavior**

Teachers protect learners from SRGBV and related actions without recrimination, discrimination or apprehension

#### **STRUCTURAL**

Accessibility: Teachers cannot protect learners from SRGBV because learners stigma, lack of reporting mechanism,

📢 Strategy requires Communication Support

Steps

1. Seek and use input from peers and learners about what will make them feel protected

Adhere to national SRGBV-related laws, policies and School Safety Framework

Adhere to school codes of conduct

Safely intervene as necessitated by laws, policies and school codes of conduct

Respond immediately, as necessitated by laws, policies and school procedures

Document all complaints of **SRGBV** 

Link learners, teachers and other staff with the support services they need

Follow up to ensure effective

of survivors and reporters

uptake of services and wellbeing

bullying) and certain forms of sexual harassment as "normal" and not worthy of intervention

don't report SRGBV to them due to fear mistrust of reporting mechanism, etc.

Accessibility: Teachers cannot protect learners because some acts of SRGBV are hidden from the teachers' view and supervision, e.g., in toilet, playground, corridor, overcrowded classroom, etc.

Service Provider Competencies:

Teachers cannot protect learners from

culture of silence amongst the learners,

Service Experience: Teachers cannot

protect learners from SRGBV because

to formal policies or mechanisms for

reporting, addressing, and protecting

Attitudes and Beliefs: Teachers do not

protect learners from SRGBV because they feel entitled to use their dominant

social status and power to bully and

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they see certain types of aggression (e.g.,

protect learners from SRGBV because

Knowledge: Teachers do not protect

learners from SRGBV because they are

Skills: Teachers do not protect learners

prepared to deal with bullying, cyber-

unclear about what constitutes sexual

harassment and how to handle it

from SRGBV because they are ill-

bullying, homophobia and other

problems learners experience

some schools do not have or implement

school codes of conduct that are aligned

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school codes of conduct has led to a

teachers and principals

learners from SRGBV

gain sexual favors

SRGBV because a lack of enforcement of

#### INSTITUTIONAL

District Education Department: Train school management on how to adopt, develop, and implement school policies and reporting mechanisms that are aligned with the constitution and national policies

District Education Department: Strengthen implementation of policies concerning corporal punishment and outline alternative disciplinary mechanisms that are in line with the bill of rights.

District Education Department: Assist school governing bodies to review school codes of conduct to ensure they are aligned with relevant policies

District Education Department: Ensure compliance with SRGBV-related policies.

District Psychosocial Support Services:

Promote reporting of SRGBV by teaching educators and learners about its value and reporting mechanisms, receiving reports, respond appropriately with psychosocial support for educators and learners, and referring cases for further investigation and intervention as appropriate

Police Services: Investigate teachers suspected of sexual harassment or obtaining sexual favors from pupils and any other SRGBV matters reported by learners or educators.

Department of Basic Education (DBE):

Establish adequate supervision strategies to minimise acts of SRGBV on the school premises

Continuing Education Division: Partner with  ${\sf CBOs}\ and\ {\sf NGOs}\ to\ conduct\ ongoing\ refreshers$ for educators on diversity, human rights, mediation, classroom management, etc

**Human Rights and Gender Equality** 

Commission: Provide educational material that will educate both teachers and learners about the reporting mechanisms and avenues available to them.

Department of Basic Education (DBE):

Develop a cyber-bullying/cyber-safety policy for all schools to adapt, adopt, and circulate

Dept. of Social Development: Provide training for teachers to equip them to deal with SRGBV

### COMMUNITY

Religious and Traditional Leaders: Have regular engagements with the school community to address SRGBV and other problems learners experience.

Partnerships and Networks: Work with the Human Rights and Gender Equity Commissions

to provide materials, participatory training, and tools for teachers to use in workshops, etc. in order to educate them about SRGBV and to inculcate a culture of professionalism and good practices among teachers. <

Partnerships and Networks: Organize school dialogues with teachers and other stakeholders to raise awareness and build capacity on SRGBV, how to deal with such issues effectively, and ways they can help and encourage learners to report, respond and address, including all the different types of entities they can report to

Partnerships and Networks: Educate and raise awareness on cyber bullying as a form of SRGBV (including referral - what, how, where)

Partnerships and Networks: Collaborate with Education Department and social services to provide training for teachers on how to deal with SRGBV and to ensure referral systems are in place and known to the entire school community

Partnerships and Networks: Link school communities with government entities to facilitate dialogue, trust, and access to available services 📢

Partnerships and Networks: Assist Education Department and CBOs to facilitate school-level workshops to develop or update of codes of conduct and reporting mechanisms to address and protect learners from SRGBV.

Partnerships and Networks: Link and assist the Continuing Education Division, CBOs and NGOs to organize and conduct ongoing refreshers for educators on diversity, human rights, mediation, classroom management, etc.

#### **DEMAND AND USE**

Advocacy: Encourage the Education Department to establish adequate supervision strategies to minimize acts of SRGBV in schools

Communication: Use local media to air interviews with Education Department, school managers, and teachers to raise awareness about what constitutes SRGBV, negative norms that perpetuate SRGBV, and positive norms to replace them

Communication: Host community activities that promote human rights and replace harmful religious and traditional practices with positive social norms and practices.

# Community-Based Organizations (CBOs): Ensure compliance with SRGBV-related policies.

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