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Activity Name: Routine datahub monitoring of hardware, software, connectivity, and electricity supply

Activity Date: April to June 2020 (Y2 Q3)

Activity Location: Borno and Yobe SUBEBs

Objective: *What did the activity hope to achieve?*

- Assess functionality of datahub software and hardware and use of the dashboard
- Assess management's use of dashboard data for decision making
- Provide technical support and ensure data hub functionality.

Participants: *Briefly describe the targeted participants or beneficiaries.*

Participants in this monthly assessment are the Data Collection Manager, Data Manager, Data Use Advisor and IT Support Lead in Borno and Yobe SUBEBs.

Activity Highlights: *This is the place to capture the essence of what occurred in the activity. We do not need to record everything that everyone said, rather we should be recording what were the most important and interesting aspects of the activity. Did anything happen that was unexpected? Were there any "ah ha" moments, or aspects of a training that participants found the most helpful? Include direct quotes (but only if they add something really interesting).*

Introduction

AENN has supported the SUBEB in both Borno and Yobe States to set up datahubs/dashboards in the EMIS Departments by providing computer hardware and accessories, with the ultimate goal of improving strategic planning and day-to-day decision-making through the use of data generated from the dashboard to make informed decisions as regards delivery of context sensitive education services.

To ensure functionality and use of the datahub hardware, software and accessories, AENN team conducts monthly monitoring assessments in SUBEBs of both states.

Methodology

During the assessment, a checklist is administered to the EMIS staff to determine the functionality and use of the datahub equipment in the areas of *hardware and software availability and use, internet connectivity, electricity supply and data use*.

Questions from the checklist are answered by the Head of EMIS Department and the datahub team spot checks are made by the AENN MEL staff to verify responses of the datahub team. Gaps identified are documented and an action plan is developed to address the gaps.

Results: *What was the outcome of the activity? What impact did it have? What changed because of it? Consider reviewing the program proposal or workplan to find the intended result? Was it achieved? Note: Sometimes, we will not be able to tell the result or impact right away; however, this space might also be used to reflect on what result could come from the activity.*

Immediate results

- The datahubs in both states have at least 5 functional computers as at the quarter under review
- 100% of the computers in Borno state have the dashboard installed in them while 20% have it in Yobe State
- At least 3 times every month, EMIS staff access the dashboard, data collected is disseminated and reviewed during meetings and decisions are made based on the data presented from the dashboard

Challenges

- 4 out of 5 computers in Yobe SUBEB don't have the dashboard installed in them
Actions taken: the challenge has been referred to Viamo team which facilitates the mentorship of the SUBEB team in terms of running the datahub. MEL team to follow up on addressing the challenge
- The need for advocacy to encourage the culture of data use in Yobe SUBEB
Actions taken: institutional capacity assessment and mentoring of the agency is ongoing and strengths and gaps of the agency are being assessed to guide in a yearlong capacity development process.

Follow-up/Next Steps: *There is always more work to be done once the activity ends. What do you or any of the staff need to do to follow-up on the activity? What is the next step?*

Follow up on ensuring successful implementation of action points developed during the assessment.

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