



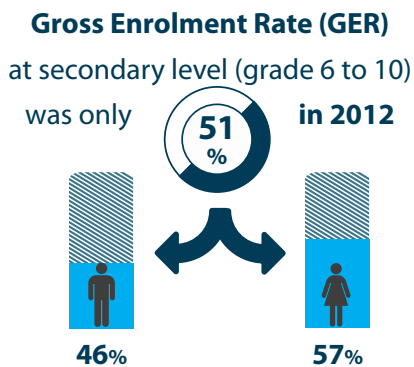
Highlights

from draft Position Paper

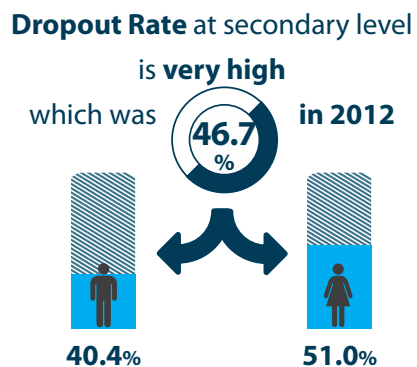


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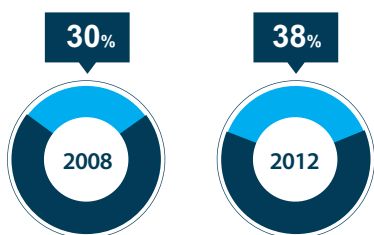
SECONDARY EDUCATION SUMMARY OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES



SOURCE: BANBEIS



» Share of poor children in total secondary enrolment increased, which may be attributed to stipend programmes



SOURCE: The World Bank



students of secondary schools are from families of farmers, labourers, and small traders.

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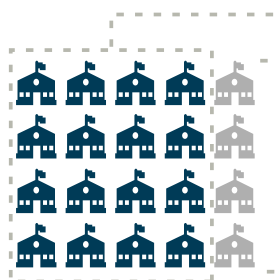


of institutions rendering secondary schooling are **privately owned and managed, but government funded in the form of salary subventions through MPOs**

Significant geographic discrepancies exist in school performances. Government secondary schools that are generally perceived as model schools are mainly located in urban areas.



institutions in the SSC exam in 2014 are state-run schools



16 of the top **20** institutions of Dhaka Board are in the capital

The remaining **4** schools are also public schools

SOURCE: MoE

Consequently, majority of children from rural areas, disadvantaged families, and ethnic minorities lack access to quality secondary education

Major Obstacles towards Access to Secondary Education

- » Socio-economic factors are major obstacle to continue into secondary education.
- » For girls, early marriage and security issues are big barriers.
- » For boys, and often for both, the opportunity cost of helping their family in earning livelihoods become too high.
- » Secondary education is not free and, for many, too expensive.
- » Associated household costs for education like costs of private tutors, reading materials beyond text books etc. put significant extra financial burden on the parents.

Way forward

- » Paying attention to improving status of secondary education.
- » Primary focus of the secondary education development in the country still needs to be on improving the access, particularly for the marginalized population.
- » Direct and indirect cost of secondary education needs to be minimized.
- » Dealing with secondary education needs to be accompanied by efforts in other social issues such as early marriage, income generation, awareness building etc.
- » Backward regions need to be emphasized in the secondary education sector development strategy.