

**IMPACT OF FREE PRIMARY EDUCATION ON
PERFORMANCE IN ECDE CENTRES IN ANJEGO ZONE,
MIGORI COUNTY**

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ABSTRACT

This was a cross-sectional study on the impact of free primary education in performance in ECDE centres in Anjago zone, Migori district. The zone has 22 schools, 12 public ECDE centres and 10 private ECDE centres. Investigation was carried out in 10 sampled schools.

This study was carried out to investigate other factors related to FPE that affect performance and proposed possible remedies to challenges facing children in ECDE centers in Anjago zone, Migori District. The research instruments used included interview schedule and questionnaires. The research design employed was survey and data was collected and analyzed by use of explanation, tables and percentages.

The study findings indicated that there was a remarkable drop in enrollment at ECDE centres due to the introduction of FPE. Most ECDE centres were hit by poor remuneration of teachers and lack of teaching and learning materials. Physical facilities such as desks and classrooms were also inadequate.

The following conclusions were drawn; Physical facilities and teaching and learning materials were inadequate in ECDE centres. There was also mass exodus of ECDE teachers from public schools to the private sector where terms of service were better.

To counter these, the following recommendations were made; trained ECDE teachers should be employed immediately by the government and remunerated well, ECDE should be made free and compulsory just like primary education.