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TO PUPILS NATIONWIDE

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TUESDAY - MARCH 24
TSC REVIEWS SYLLABI FOR RADIO TEACHING PROGRAM

The Teaching Service Commission (TSC), in preparation to start an enhanced radio teaching program gave orientation to subject experts and asked for a review of existing syllabi for classes 1 to SSS 3.

THURSDAY - MARCH 19
MBSSE & MHTE ANNOUNCE SCHOOL CLOSURE DATE

The Ministries of Basic and Senior Secondary Education and Higher and Technical Education announced the closure of basic, tertiary and higher education institutions nationwide on 31st March, 2020 as an effort to prevent Coronavirus...



MBSSE MEETS WITH EDUCATION STAKEHOLDERS IN BONTHE

The Minister of Basic and Senior Secondary Education, accompanied by senior officials of the Ministry visited Bonthe district for the first time since assuming office, and met with education stakeholders to discuss the status of education in the district, ways to mitigate identified issues such as failing rates of pupils in public exams, returning academic excellence back to the district, etc. The entourage also discussed ways to prepare for and prevent Coronavirus. The Minister met with stakeholders in Mattru Jong and Bonthe Island respectively.

TSC POPULARIZES CODES OF CONDUCT FOR TEACHERS

The Teaching Service Commission (TSC) has this week embarked on the popularization of the reviewed Codes of Conduct for Teachers to six thousand teachers from nine districts across the country.

The Codes of Conduct is a document that has been in existence since 2009. It guides the professional conduct of Teachers in Sierra Leone. A large percentage of teachers had not availed themselves of the contents of the document or strictly adhered to the codes outlined therein. The Commission has therefore decided to offer a systematic nationwide sensitization to teachers on the importance of the document, especially fully understanding the importance of why and how they must uphold the Codes of Conduct for Teachers and Other Education Personnel in Sierra Leone.



WORLD BANK'S FREE EDUCATION PROJECT ENDORSED BY MBSSE

MONDAY, MARCH 23

The Ministry of Basic and Senior Secondary Education (MBSSE) has taken its first step to the implementation of the new FREE Education Project by endorsing the 6-month Project Preparatory Advance (PPA) Work Plan. The development and implementation of the Work plan is guided by the Project Development Objective (PDO) which is to improve the management of the education system, teaching practices, and learning conditions. It has three main components:

-)] Component 1: Policy, Governance, Accountability, and System Administration
-)] Component 2: Teacher Management and Professional Development
-)] Component 3: School Level Education Development

The funding provided by the donor partners namely, World Bank, EU, DFID-UK, and Irish Aid for this work plan is an advance of US\$6 Million. Presently, the PPA Agreement has been jointly signed by the World Bank and the Ministry of Finance on behalf of the Government of Sierra Leone. The plan, made up of several activities under the various components was presented at the Ministry's Management Meeting by the Project Preparatory Advance (PPA) Coordinator, Mr. Reginald C. King.

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Under the Directorship of Mr. Sorie I. Fofanah, Director of National School Feeding program, this week saw the expansion of national school feeding to seven more districts: Bombali, Karene, Port Loko, Kono, Kailahun, Kenema and Bonthe districts. Prior to this expansion, the designated provider of national school feeding services to schools across the country, the World Food Program (WFP) had conducted assessments of 600 schools, thereby enabling the program to get the technical details needed for proper planning of the school feeding. The plan is that the national school feeding will be carried out by phases. Phase One of the program lasts for seven months – from mid-March to the end of this school year. Second Phase of the program will start from May 1st and lasts for about 56 days – which is also to the end of the school year.



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