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Menstruation and Education in Nepal

[Rebecca Thornton](#) , [Emily Oster](#)

Researchers introduced a convenient and hygienic sanitary product, reusable menstrual cups, to Nepalese girls in the seventh and eighth grades. Their evaluation addressed several questions: Is menstruation as large a barrier to education as many believe? Does switching to modern sanitary products increase attendance and school

performance among girls? Results showed that girls in Nepal missed...



EDUCATION

Balsakhi Remedial Tutoring in Vadodara and Mumbai, India

Abhijit Banerjee, Shawn Cole, Esther Duflo, Leigh Linden

Researchers evaluated the impact of the Balsakhi Program, a remedial tutoring education intervention implemented in schools in Vadodara and Mumbai, India, on student learning. The program significantly improved student test scores in both locations.



EDUCATION

Computer-Assisted Learning Project with Pratham in India

Abhijit Banerjee, Shawn Cole, Esther Duflo, Leigh Linden

In Vadodara, India, researchers studied the impact of supplementing classroom instruction with computer-assisted learning (CAL) in primary schools. CAL significantly improved student's math scores, but was less cost-effective than the remedial tutor-based program, Balsakhi.



EDUCATION

Encouraging Teacher Attendance through Monitoring with Cameras in Rural Udaipur, India

Esther Duflo, Rema Hanna , Stephen Ryan

This study estimated the effect of financial incentives on teacher attendance on students' attendance and math and language levels. The incentives increased teacher attendance and teaching time, and student test scores rose as a result.



EDUCATION, HEALTH

Balwadi Deworming in India

Edward Miguel , Gustavo Bobonis, Charu Puri Sharma

This study evaluated the impact of a preschool nutrition and health project that targeted anemia in the slums of Delhi, India on child health and school attendance. Results showed the program positively impacted weight-gain and school attendance, particularly for groups with high base-line rates of anemia.



EDUCATION, POLITICAL ECONOMY & GOVERNANCE

Can Informational Campaigns Raise Awareness and Local Participation in Primary Education in India?

Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo, Rachel Glennerster, Rukmini Banerji, Stuti Khemani

Researchers examined whether increasing community oversight and participation could improve education outcomes in Uttar Pradesh, India. Mobilizing community members to monitor local schools through Village Education Committees did not increase participation in school governance or improve education outcomes, but training local volunteers to teach basic reading outside school had a positive impact...

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