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Q3 2025 QUARTERLY REPORT ON THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE KWARA STATE EDUCATION TRUST FUND

1. Introduction

I am pleased to present the Q3 2025 Quarterly Report of the Kwara State Education Trust Fund, highlighting the significant activities and milestones recorded between July and September 2025. This quarter marked a transition from design to early-stage implementation of key programs, especially our scholarship initiative, as well as deepening institutional capacity to deliver on our mandate of improving access to quality education in Kwara State through sustainable investments, strong partnerships, and inclusive collaboration.

2. The Third Quarterly Board Meeting

The third quarterly board meeting for 2025 was held on July 5, 2025. The meeting brought together all board members to review progress made in the first half of the year, consider ongoing and proposed initiatives, and realign priorities for the second half. The board reiterated its commitment to transparency, accountability, and measurable impact as the Fund scales up its interventions.


3. Stakeholder Engagements

During Q3 2025, the Chairman and Executive Secretary sustained high-level stakeholder engagements to consolidate progress made in the previous quarter and expand the Fund's resource mobilization drive.

The Fund continued its collaboration with Baltimore Tax and Financial (BTF) Consults, while also deepening engagements with Alumunite, EASS Limited, and Wermdo. Collectively, these firms are supporting the Fund's efforts to design and implement effective resource mobilization strategies, strengthen donor pipelines, and broaden access to sustainable financing for education development projects.

During the quarter, the Fund reviewed its ongoing and prospective partnerships. After extensive discussions, the Fund discontinued engagement with Glo Foundation on the proposed adoption of Tanke LGEA School B, due to misalignment of strategic goals and timelines. The Fund continues to engage with other potential partners whose strategic priorities are more closely aligned with our five-year development plan, while sustaining ongoing relationships with existing supporters.

In addition, the Fund received an invitation to participate in the SAIL Teachers' Fellowship, a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program for public school teachers implemented by CcHub. While the program aligns with our goal of enhancing teacher capacity, the Board, after careful review, resolved not to participate due to its political affiliations, in line with our



non-partisan policy. The Fund remains committed to exploring alternative CPD opportunities that fully align with its institutional mandate.

Furthermore, the Fund partnered with Dbegotin Educational Foundation to facilitate Kwara's participation in the Girls Yielding Science and Technology (GYST) 3.0 initiative, a nationwide STEM competition that empowers female secondary school students to develop innovative, real-world solutions through science and technology. As part of this collaboration, the Fund identified and nominated schools across the three senatorial districts of Kwara State to take part in the program, ensuring equitable representation and access to this unique capacity-building opportunity

4. Financial Management, Compliance and Staffing

The Fund advanced its financial accountability framework in Q3 2025 through both systems strengthening and human resource development. A competitive recruitment process was conducted for the position of Finance Manager to bolster internal financial management capacity and ensure alignment with global best practices and donor compliance requirements. The process attracted several qualified applicants, and the final stages of selection and onboarding are currently underway. Internal financial reviews were also carried out to track project-related expenditures and ensure strict adherence to fiscal controls.

5. KwaraETF initiatives

During the quarter, the Fund organised a comprehensive orientation session for the 12 beneficiaries of the Common Entrance Scholarship Initiative, marking the culmination of a rigorous multi-stage selection process.

Earlier in the year, in line with our mandate to expand access to quality education for brilliant pupils in public primary schools, the Fund identified 640 top-performing Primary 6 pupils (40 per LGA across all 16 LGAs) in collaboration with the Kwara State Universal Basic Education Board (KWSUBEB) and KwaraLEARN. These pupils participated in a statewide mock common entrance examination coordinated by KwaraLEARN. Based on performance, the best 180 candidates were selected and sponsored by the Fund to sit for the National Common Entrance Examination (NCEE) into Federal Unity Colleges.

Following the release of NCEE results, the Fund shortlisted 34 pupils — the top two scorers from each LGA (except Irepodun which had logistics issues during the exam) and four overall top scorers. However, only 12 of these 34 pupils received admission offers into Federal Unity Colleges and have therefore become the pioneer beneficiaries of the KwaraETF Scholarship Program, to receive full support for their secondary education.

To prepare them for this transition, the orientation session was convened, offering guidance on school expectations, personal conduct, and academic readiness.

Tragically, one of the selected pupils, Jimoh Jamiu (from KLGEA Islamiyya Primary School, Kaiama), passed away before resumption. The Fund has formally communicated condolences to his parents through his school and, in his honour, reassigned the scholarship slot to another outstanding pupil.



6. Next Steps

As we enter the final quarter of 2025, the Fund will focus on:

- Supporting the 12 scholarship beneficiaries to successfully settle into their new schools and closely tracking their performance and welfare.
- Finalising the recruitment and onboarding of the Finance Manager to enhance internal operational efficiency and compliance.
- Continuing resource mobilisation efforts and donor engagements to secure support for upcoming school renovation projects and teacher development initiatives.
- Holding the fourth quarterly board meeting and presenting the Fund's proposed 2026 annual budget for Board consideration and approval.

8. Conclusion

The third quarter of 2025 has been one of institutional strengthening, stakeholder engagement, and laying the groundwork for scaled implementation. As we look ahead to Q4, we remain committed to building a transparent, well-resourced, and results-driven institution capable of transforming education in Kwara State through sustainable investments and partnerships.

We appreciate Your Excellency's unwavering support as we continue this journey of building a future of inclusive and quality education for all children in Kwara State.

Yours Sincerely,

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Executive Secretary,

Kwara State Education Trust Fund