

outside the classroom. There is no doubt that bridging the digital divide will offer Nigeria opportunities to expand learning and transform the education system, even as we build an ecosystem of knowledge, and a truly resilient society.

5. Also, Nigeria is restoring trust with its people, in order to provide safe learning **environment**

6. Nigeria has also demonstrated its commitment towards strengthening learning outcomes and accelerating skills development by implementing cash transfer programs, dedicating special statutory funds to Universal Basic Education and special programmes, prioritizing the scaling-up of play-based early childhood education, as well as foundational literacy and numeracy programmes.

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7. I am pleased to announce Nigeria's participation in the Programme for the Analysis of Education System (PASEC 2024), as a complement to the ongoing efforts towards the institutionalization of national and school-based assessment. Doing so requires significant investment in schools and teacher training. This informed Nigeria's launching of a New National Teaching Policy to address the career path, remuneration, and general welfare of our teachers. We are now prioritizing the full implementation of professional teaching standards and teacher

qualification framework while improving their recruitment, deployment and management.

8. In July 2021, I joined the Global Partnership for Education Heads of State Call to Action to increase

of ideas and ideals and enable it position learners at the core of its national efforts to transform schooling. As we are aware, improving equitable and

quality education. It is only when we do this, that we can create a world truly fit for all, and where no one is left behind.

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