

Challenges

Quality Assurance

Implementing consistent standards across diverse education providers

Developing appropriate assessment and moderation systems

Ensuring adequate resources for effective quality assurance

Building capacity for ongoing monitoring and improvement

Balancing national priorities with international benchmarks

Weak regulation and standards enforcement

Qualifications Recognition

Ensuring international comparability and recognition

Aligning national qualifications with regional and global standards

Addressing skills gaps in the labour market

Recognizing prior learning and non-formal education and training

Data

Lack/fragmented data and data collection initiatives which constrain efforts to address skills needs/skills gaps

A credible and real-time Labour Market Information System (LMIS)/Labour Mobility Information System

Capacity constraints

Shortage in trained teachers – largely due to migration

Lack of training equipment and resources

Challenges

Stakeholder coordination	Limited stakeholder coordination particularly with private sector
	Need for better coordination/ collaboration and ensuring stakeholder engagement and buy-in
Comprehensive national qualifications frameworks	Maintaining a comprehensive framework covering all education and training sectors
	Effective integration of informal training and informal workers
	Coverage of rural areas and outer islands
Alignment of skills training to skills needs	Ensuring flexibility to accommodate diverse learning pathways Maintaining relevance to industry and community needs Balancing national priorities with international benchmarks

Priorities

Alignment of skills training to private sector skills needs

Alignment of labour mobility demand and skills training provided in labour receiving countries with national skills development priorities

Identify opportunities for apprenticeships, intern programmes, or work placements to prepare workers for mobilising and ensure they are work-ready. This could include industry partnerships with receiving countries.

Strengthening local training to match domestic and international labour demand

Increase share of regional employment markets

Stakeholder coordination

National coordination with key stakeholders particularly with private sector

Data

Data collection and data on skills needs and skills training gaps
Labour market data/labour mobility data systems

Management of the National Qualification Framework

Recognition of Qualifications
Review of Key Policies: Acts, Regulations, Rules, Standards
Align National Qualifications with International Standards

Enhancing Quality Assurance Systems

Register providers/institutions
Accredit courses of study and qualifications
Conduct quality audits and review

Priorities	
Recognition of Qualifications	Improve access to skills training, especially in remote areas Enhance the employability of workers domestically and internationally Recognition of informal training and informal worker skills
Strengthening Regional Partnership	Referencing/Benchmarking Regional Qualifications Regional and International Regional Agreements Support for Trade Negotiations International Qualifications Recognition Treaties