

**EFFECTS OF BURSARY TO LEARNERS IN ARID AND SEMI ARID
AREAS IN MOYALE SUB- COUNTY MARSABIT COUNTY**

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ABSTRACT

Having accepted the rationality of cost-sharing, the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology (MOES&T) bursary scheme was introduced as one of the safety-nets to cushion the poor and the vulnerable groups against the consequent adverse effects. The bursary scheme, however, remains inefficient and ineffective. Other characteristics that contribute to bottlenecks in its implementation at the secondary school education level include limited access and participation due to poor quality of service, bad governance and management weaknesses. It is, therefore, arguable that against the background of more than half of Kenya's population living below the poverty line, and the rising cost of education, majority of households, especially among the poor and vulnerable groups, are unable to invest in the development of quality secondary education. The objective of the study was to determine the operations of the bursary scheme in Moyale sub-county Marsabit County, to pay special attention to disbursement procedures of bursary to learners in Moyale sub-county, Marsabit County, to determine number and type of beneficiaries categorized by socio-economic groups, sex and Schools in Moyale sub-county, Marsabit County. The study used questionnaire in studying effects of bursary in arid and semi-arid areas. The study targeted all secondary schools in Moyale sub-county, Marsabit County. The researcher selected a sample of 4 Secondary Schools beginning with Moyale boys, Moyale girls, Sessi mixed day and Dabel mixed day respectively. In selecting the sample of schools for the study, the survey will use an administrative list of facilities, provided by the Ministry of Education. From the list, every secondary school will be selected in each county to constitute the sample of schools to be visited. A total of 4 schools were surveyed in Moyale sub-county, Marsabit County. The instruments were pre-tested in two schools in Moyale Sub-county because these two schools represented the researchers study area due to several similarities. Data collection was managed and analyzed by use of clean code and SPSS (Statistical package for Social Sciences) where it will be suitable. Data was entered in a computer, cleaned and coded and then it was analyzed by SPSS version 17.0 where-by the data was presented in form of graphs, tables and pie-charts where necessary.