

**EFFECTS OF CHALLENGES FACING GIRLS IN SECONDARY  
SCHOOLS IN TRANS MARA EAST DISTRICT OF NAROK  
COUNTY**

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## ABSTRACT

Education was considered as a key to a country's economic development. This was the reason why countries all over the world invested heavily in education. While it was true that secondary education opportunities had continued to expand in Kenya, a significant number of girls were not completing their studies despite the subsidized secondary education offered. There have been alarming dropout rates of secondary school girls in Transmara East district, Narok County.

The factors that led to this had not been adequately investigated and well understood hence the need to find out the effects of challenges affecting girl's education. The study was based on the Agrarian Transformation of socio-cultural change in the district. The purpose of this study was to determine the effects of factors affecting girl's education in secondary schools in Transmara East District. The research questions were formulated to guide in this study. The objective of the study were: to establish factors affecting the girls education in the district and possible solution put in place by the government and other stakeholders to safeguard the education of girls and suggest possible solutions against these factors. The locale of the study was Transmara East District Narok county Kenya. The study targeted secondary schools in the district, head teachers, teachers, zonal and district quality assurance officers, parents and church leaders.

Piloting of the research instruments was done in 4 schools to test the validity and reliability of research instruments. The researcher also consulted the supervisor's expertise in research to approve the content validity of the instruments.