

Accelerated Basic Education Programme (ABEP) for Out-of-School Children in Sokoto State

European Union (ECHO) / UNICEF

KEY FACTS

Donor / Lead partner	European Union (ECHO) / UNICEF
Status	Active (February 2026 - ongoing (launched 21 April 2026))
Location	Goronyo, Rabah, Tambuwal, Tangaza, Tureta and Wurno LGAs, Sokoto State
States	Sokoto
Thematic areas	Education, Protection & GBV

PROJECT SUMMARY

Quality basic education for out-of-school and over-aged children, including Almajiri learners, girls and children with disabilities affected by conflict and displacement: foundational literacy, numeracy and life skills in 35 learning centres, with pathways into formal school and a crisis modifier for emergency radio learning.

KEY INTERVENTIONS & DELIVERABLES

- 3,255 out-of-school children enrolled in Q1 (1,410 boys, 1,845 girls), 105.6% of target, including 44 children with disabilities.
- 105 facilitators recruited from more than 680 applicants and trained; knowledge scores rose from 35% to 65%.
- 164 Community-Based Management Committee members trained in mobilisation, child protection and learner retention.
- Teaching and learning materials for every enrolled learner.
- Crisis modifier ready: 315 radio facilitators identified to reach 5,819 children through emergency radio learning.
- Target of 924 children mainstreamed into formal schools; joint supervision with MoBSE, SAME, SUBEB and UNICEF.

HEADLINE IMPACT

3,255 out-of-school children learning in 35 centres across 6 LGAs (Q1, February - May 2026).