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on the Right to education  
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And co-signed by  
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IIMA and VIDES appreciate the report of the Special Rapporteur on the right to education, to which we contributed through inputs from our networks.

The right to education extends beyond access to school and must be directed towards the integral development of the learners and their meaningful participation and inclusion in society.

Our networks continue to stress the importance of placing the learner at the centre of the educational processes.

We are concerned that excessive reliance on standardized assessment, which narrows learning, increases pressure, and contributes to exclusion, especially for marginalized learners.

We therefore support the Special Rapporteur's call on States to:

1. Ensure that curriculum, teaching methods, and assessment are aligned with internationally recognized aims of education;
2. Guarantee the meaningful participation of learners, teachers, and communities in educational decision-making;
3. Invest in rights-based and inclusive educational practices that leave no one behind.

Thank you.