



Education – Access to quality education and livelihoods

Situation

- **Learning poverty:** 53% of children in developing countries and 80% in poor countries cannot read and understand a simple text by age 10¹
- **Youth unemployment:** 2 out of 5 young people in the labor force are either unemployed or have a job but live in poverty²

LGT VP Education Strategy

To fight the current learning and employability crisis, LGT VP focuses on scalable solutions for underserved communities in Sub-Saharan Africa and India that provide access to quality:

- **Early Childhood Education** – to increase young children’s readiness for school
- **Primary education** – to set literacy and numeracy foundations early on that lead to a virtuous cycle of skill acquisition
- **Skills development** – to equip youth with the relevant life, 21st century¹ and vocational skills needed to find gainful employment

LGT VP Portfolio examples



Educate Girls enrolls and retains out-of-school girls in school and improves students’ learning outcomes in India’s most remote villages. 1.1m girls enrolled since inception.



Harambee connects unemployed youth in South Africa and Rwanda with earning and skilling opportunities. 870k youth supported into jobs to date.



SmartStart delivers quality and affordable early learning programs to tens of thousands of 3-5 year old children in low-income communities in South Africa.



¹ Pre-COVID; Source: World Bank; ² Source: International Labor Organization; ³ Includes problem-solving, creativity, communication, negotiation, digital literacy, etc