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The Making of Indonesian Education: An Overview on Empowering Indonesian Teachers

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Abstrak

Education is one of the fundamental priorities of nation building. For this reason, the Indonesian government continuously seeks to improve the quality of its education. Empowering education can be done using many strategies, such as reforming school curricula of school system or both. This articles approach the improvement of Indonesian education from a different angle, by considering teachers and the teaching profession.

This article has three recommendations to help Indonesian teachers improve. However, the author is aware that agendas for improvement are complex and institutional reforms are needed; for example, the reform of teacher recruitment; teacher evaluation and also the reform of assessment systems. This article includes a gain an insight to their profession, and a discussion of the changes that could be made to enable the quality of teaching to improve.