

1,250 Tablets Bring Adaptive Math Software to Palau's Schools — With Lessons on What Training Gaps Cost

AI in Education · Good practice · Palau

Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

JICA and Japanese partners distributed 1,250 tablets loaded with SuRaLa Net's adaptive math software to Palau's schools during COVID-19 disruptions; JICA's own evaluation candidly found equipment shortages and incomplete teacher training limited the project's impact.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	1/3
Equity & inclusion	1/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	2/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	0/3
Scalability & sustainability	1/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

[JICA, Palau Ministry of Education, PADECO Co., SuRaLa Net Co. & Osaka Kyoiku University](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

[JICA project report \(PDF\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

[Embassy of Japan in Palau: Japan provided 1,250 tablets](#) — accessed 2026-09-05

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