

Daariz — AI Voice-Recognition Literacy App for Somali-Speakers in the Horn of Africa

AI in Education · Good practice · Somalia

Quality score: 67/100

Evidence strength: Descriptive / self-reported

Summary

A free offline app using AI voice recognition, text-to-speech and image recognition teaches Somali literacy in roughly 50 hours instead of 450–500. Launched by the Sahamiye Foundation in 2021, it has reached 350,000+ learners across the Horn of Africa.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-26

[Sahamiye Foundation](#) — accessed 2026-08-26

[VOA Africa — Free Language App Builds Horn of Africa Literacy](#) — accessed 2026-08-26

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