

SABAY-Salita — ECAIR's AI Speech and Dyslexia Screening Pilot for Philippine DepEd Schools

AI in Education · Good practice · Philippines

Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

DepEd's ECAIR piloted SABAY-Salita, an AI system that screens children's speech recordings for dyslexia and speech-sound disorders, in two National Capital Region schools from late 2025, aiming to catch cases manual screening misses and ease teachers' referral workload.

Key dimensions

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

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

C-NAPSE web research — accessed 2026-08-30

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