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1,487 Educational Units in East Nusa Tenggara Scheduled for Revitalization in 2026, Including SD Negeri Mboeng

JAKARTA, September 9, 2026 – The government, through the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education (MoPSE), continues to strengthen efforts to upgrade educational facilities and infrastructure, including in East Nusa Tenggara (NTT) province. Through the Educational Unit Revitalization Program, schools requiring repairs are systematically identified, mapped according to their level of need, and prioritized for assistance, such as SD Negeri Mboeng in East Manggarai Regency, NTT.

Minister of Primary and Secondary Education, Abdul Mu'ti, stated that East Nusa Tenggara is among the regions prioritized for the revitalization program because it hosts numerous schools located in frontier, outermost, and underdeveloped (3T) areas. This revitalization also supports President Prabowo Subianto's directive regarding the implementation of the 13-Year Compulsory Education program.

In 2026, a total of 1,487 educational units in NTT are targeted for revitalization with a total budget allocation of IDR 1,208,684,805,539, or more than IDR 1.2 trillion. This figure represents a significant increase from the previous year and marks the largest revitalization scope ever carried out in NTT.

Meanwhile, Head of the East Nusa Tenggara Provincial Education and Culture Office, Ambrosius Kodo, remarked, "This is a truly special opportunity for us in NTT, given our limited fiscal capacity. The central government is providing this attention, and the regional government will certainly support, monitor, and ensure that this national strategic program runs smoothly."

He further noted that the Educational Unit Revitalization Program is a key national strategic initiative reflecting government commitment to educational development across Indonesia, including in NTT. The NTT Provincial Government fully supports the program's implementation, viewing it as a vital opportunity given the region's constrained fiscal capacity.

Ambrosius added that the provincial government will continuously oversee the program to ensure it achieves its established objectives. "Our target is to realize quality education for all in the times ahead," he said.

The Director General of Early Childhood Education, Primary Education, and Non-formal and Informal Education, Gogot Suharwoto emphasized that every child, regardless of where they live, has the right to study in a safe, proper environment that supports their growth and learning process.



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"In 2026, as many as 1,487 educational units in East Nusa Tenggara are targeted for revitalization with a budgetary support exceeding IDR 1.2 trillion. This demonstrates the government's commitment to continuously expanding equitable educational services, particularly for schools that still require facility and infrastructure improvements," Gogot continued.

According to Ministry data as of September 7, 2026, revitalization recipients span all educational levels. Elementary schools form the largest group with 644 schools valued at IDR 702.88 billion, followed by 603 early childhood education units valued at IDR 232.46 billion, 136 junior high schools valued at IDR 161.51 billion, and 69 senior high schools valued at IDR 72.71 billion. Support is also allocated to 13 vocational high schools valued at IDR 12.16 billion, 14 special-needs schools valued at IDR 21.72 billion, and eight community learning centers valued at IDR 5.25 billion.

Previously in 2025, 580 educational units in NTT received government support through revitalization programs and the construction of new school units with a total budget of approximately IDR 603.5 billion.

Specifically, revitalization funds were distributed to 43 early childhood education units with a budget of IDR 15.83 billion, 234 elementary schools amounting to IDR 160.73 billion, 174 junior high schools totaling IDR 248.58 billion, 64 senior high schools worth IDR 75.96 billion, 44 vocational high schools at IDR 64.75 billion, nine special-needs schools totaling IDR 16.47 billion, and eight community learning centers valued at IDR 6.9 billion.

In the same year, the government also supported the construction of four new school units in NTT with a total budget of approximately IDR 14.3 billion, comprising three early childhood education units and one senior high school located in Malaka, North Central Timor, and West Sumba Regencies. The construction of new school units complements the revitalization program as part of the government's effort to expand access and bring educational services closer to communities, particularly in regions facing infrastructure limitations.

Facility and infrastructure revitalization, according to Gogot, is one component of the broader educational quality enhancement ecosystem. This intervention goes hand in hand with learning digitalization, teacher capacity building, and various programs designed to improve teaching and learning processes. In 2025, learning digitalization support in NTT reached 8,985 educational units with assistance valued at over IDR 297.27 billion.

"Our children need safe and comfortable learning spaces, but at the same time they also deserve access to increasingly high-quality learning that is relevant to modern times. Therefore, revitalization and



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digitalization are not mutually exclusive choices. Both work together to realize Quality Education for All, including for children in East Nusa Tenggara," he added.

The Ministry continues to encourage accountability, precision, and adherence to regulations in executing revitalization projects so that students, teachers, and school communities can immediately experience the benefits. The government also actively monitors program implementation from recipient selection and construction work to completion and utilization.

Gogot added that the Ministry welcomes public information and feedback regarding conditions of educational units in the field. Public attention toward schools still requiring facility upgrades serves as vital input for the government to sharpen needs mapping and ensure programs remain well-targeted.

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