

Spending to end female genital mutilation

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 2 September 2013 in which you asked for the information on spending to end female genital mutilation in financial years 2010-2011, 2011-2012 and 2012-2013.

DFID holds some relevant information and I have set out our response to each part of your request below:

“1. How much funding has the Department for International Development earmarked for fighting against Female Genital Mutilation? Please provide a breakdown per country.”

DFID holds some information relevant to this part of your request. This is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 (1) (Information accessible to the applicant by other means) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is already reasonably accessible to you. For ease of reference I have provided relevant links to the Inside Government website

You can find information on planned spending on programmes to end female genital mutilation in 2012-13 and beyond in the following links to DFID's project database.

[Toward Ending Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting in Africa and Beyond](#). DFID does not have a breakdown of planned spending by country for this programme.

[Sudan Free of Female Genital Cutting](#). All spending under this programme will be in Sudan.

Prior to 2012-13, no DFID programmes were specifically dedicated to tackling female genital mutilation. Support was provided as core funding to other agencies, such as the United Nations, but we do not hold a record of amounts earmarked for this issue. DFID does not, therefore, hold information relevant to this part of your request for financial years 2010-11 and 2011-12.

“2. How much funding has the Department for International Development spent on fighting Female Genital Mutilation? Please provide a breakdown per country.”

Information on spending in 2012-13 is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as it is already reasonably accessible to you. You can find details in the link to the “Toward Ending Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting in Africa and Beyond” programme given above.

DFID does not hold information relevant to this part of your request for financial years 2010-11 or 2011-12. As mentioned above, prior to 2012-13, no DFID programmes were specifically dedicated to tackling female genital mutilation. Support was provided as core funding to other agencies, such as the United Nations, but we do not hold a record of amounts spend on this particular issue.