What is a School Report Card (SRC)?
An informative document prepared by school management committees listing data on school profile, performance and the status of school projects.

What is a Transparency Board (TB)?
A document prepared by school management committees featuring school financial data in a table or matrix format.

What is Check My School (CMS)?
A citizen-led online and offline school monitoring tool which enables information access, submission of feedback and issue resolution.

Why were open school data implemented in Philippines?
Open school data tools were implemented in response to citizen demands for more transparency and accountability in the education sector.

Features of SRC, TB, CMS

- The SRC is prepared twice a year in a consistent format, allowing for historical comparisons,
- TB indicators allow for inter-school comparisons. It is mandatory to display TB on school premises,
- CMS allows stakeholders to co-create data used to validate government reports,
- Results of CMS activities are discussed during feedback meetings.

Impact on transparency and accountability

“No teacher would dare question where the school's MOOE was spent...Well, the teachers still may dare not ask, because that's the prevailing culture, but at least she knows now and doesn’t need to ask.” (teacher trade-unionist)

Key recommendations

1. Study institutional adoption of CMS,
2. Issue instruction on the documentation and reporting of SRC assembly meetings,
3. Set optimal trajectory for SRC implementation,
4. Formally recognise students as SRC users.

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