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Does free secondary education enable the poor to gain access?
A study from rural Kenya

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Summary

This monograph looks at 'free secondary education' and the way it influences access to education for the poor in rural Kenya. Data collected after the introduction of free secondary education show that government schools continue to levy fees for lunch, school buildings and boarding equipment. Households are also expected to provide non-discretionary items such as school uniforms, sports uniforms, books, stationary etc. The study found that poor households continue to face significant challenges in meeting the costs of free secondary education.

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