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Since 2014, Global Affairs Canada has provided support to the World University Service of Canada to strengthen the vocational skills of 2,835 youth in Sri Lanka. To date, this has resulted in over 1,500 private sector job placements in trades such as hospitality and construction.

In the Caribbean, Canada's support is helping the University of the West Indies implement innovative distance education. Since 2013, it has helped the university to deliver 54 academic courses and develop 44 new courses. This is giving underserved populations in the region more access to post-secondary education and has positively impacted job and business opportunities.

In Jordan, Canada's Youth Employment and Empowerment project has given over 3,500 students at vocational schools and community colleges employability training and labour market skills in high-demand areas since 2015. This has resulted in more young people securing permanent employment in the private sector, and more young entrepreneurs starting new businesses.

In Ethiopia, Ghana, Mali and Tanzania, Canadian partner CODE helped 482,200 children improve their literacy skills at the elementary level between 2012 and 2017. CODE did this through a train-the-trainer approach, increasing the capacity and skills of 138 trainers, 1,742 teachers and 793 librarians to assist children. Relevant, high-quality reading materials supplemented the training—1,065,239 items, to be precise, including locally published books distributed in 245 schools and libraries.

In Burkina Faso, Plan International Canada established a partnership between government, the private sector and an NGO to prepare youth for the job market. The project allowed girls and boys aged 13 to 18 to develop professional skills that meet local labour market needs. Since 2011, 8,265 young people, including 3,517 girls, have enrolled in non-formal basic education centres and vocational training centres supported by Plan International Canada. Among those, 931 youth, including 239 girls, have found work.

Since 2015, Global Affairs Canada has also supported the Grow Asia project, an initiative of the World Economic Forum. Its objective is to increase the income, productivity and sustainability of small producers in five Southeast Asian countries. Through this initiative, 523,000 small producers received information and training. An estimated 130,000 of them have adopted new production or management methods, have access to new modes of financing or have obtained certification leading to more income.