

Colombia natives get tablets to study in local languages

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Some 3,600 indigenous Colombians who dropped out of school have received digital tablets to enable them to resume studying in their native languages, officials said Wednesday.

The initiative is targeted at natives between the ages of 15 and 50 and aims to help graduate from high school and become community leaders.

Authorities hope the tablets will also help indigenous Colombians learn to read and write in Spanish, as well as in four [native languages](#).

The educational material—meant to complement classes and books—is on the devices and therefore these do not need Internet access.

The initiative was announced by authorities in the country's eastern Guainia department, in the Amazon rainforest.

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