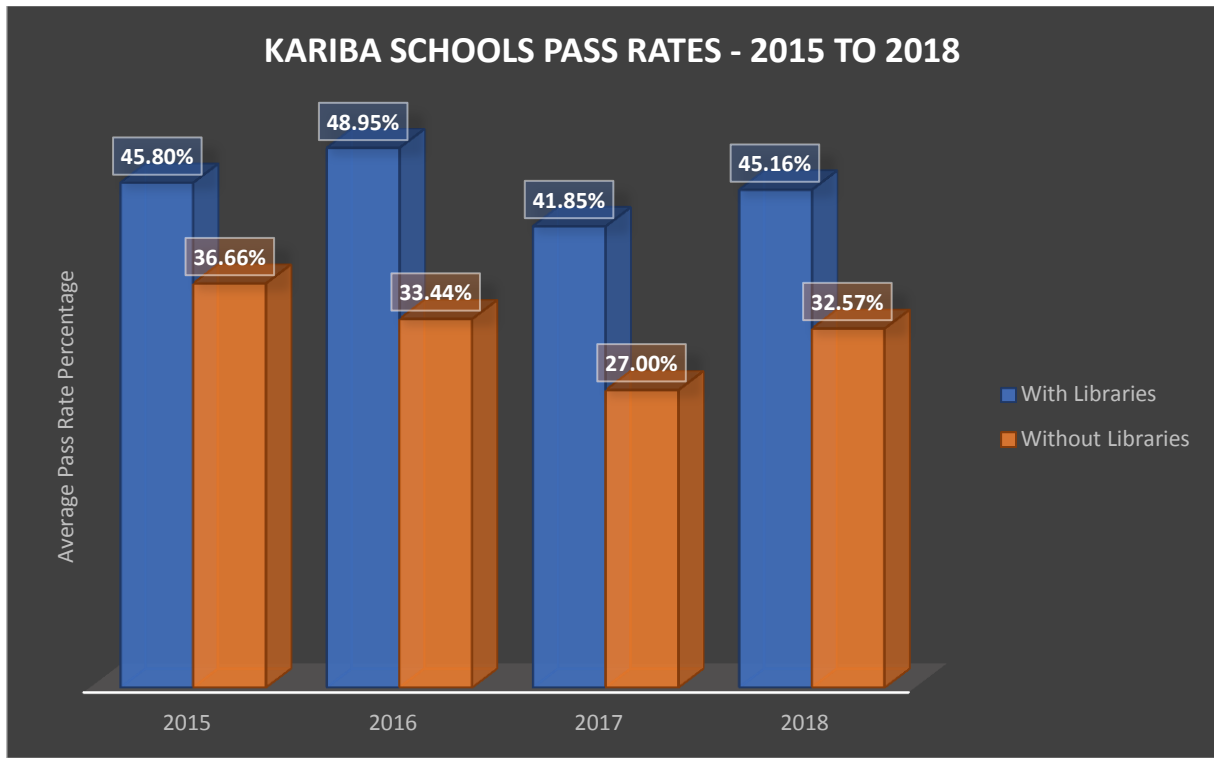


**Addendum to PHL Feedback Report – March 2019**  
**Kariba Schools National Examination Results – 2015 to 2018**



The graph above indicates the Kariba schools national school examination results for the period 2015 to 2018. Every year from 2015 onwards, the pass rate at schools with libraries has consistently been better than that at schools without libraries. This is a tangible indication that the establishment of libraries in schools and donation of library books and solar lights are making a positive contribution towards uplifting the quality of education.

In 2017, this trend was negatively affected by the introduction of an additional fifth subject (Agriculture) at Grade 7 national examinations level. Pupils failed this subject dismally owing to ill preparedness as the decision and announcement was made late by the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education. However, pupils still performed well in the other four subjects namely, English Language, Mathematics, Vernacular Language and General Paper.

In 2018, Teachers and Pupils in both schools with libraries and schools without had adequate time to prepare for the 2018 Grade 7 national examinations and performance improved. Importantly, the results show that the pass rate at schools with libraries is better than that at schools without libraries

In as much as the graph factors out all other influences such as the socio-economic status of the students, school size based on number of students and Rural/Urban location, Teachers at schools with libraries and the Kariba District Schools Inspector acknowledge the fact that the libraries are a significant contributor to the remarkable improvement in pass rates.