# InSight A program of the Govt. of Kerala Satish Babu, Director, ICFOSS





### The InSight Program

- Different motivating factors:
  - Desire to integrate the visually challenged into the mainstream
  - Desire by FOSS community to create low-cost, high-value software of social value
  - Desire by the the visually challenged community to create something taking into account their own needs
  - Desire by Government to ensure that IT was accessible to all, including the differently-abled



## **Agencies Involved**

- Designed and implemented by:
  - Kerala State IT Mission, and
  - Society for Promotion of Alternative Computing and Employment (SPACE)
- Funded by the Government of Kerala
- Steered by an group of stakeholders including representatives of the user community



## **Project Objectives**

- To use technology as an interface to increase the quality of life of the differently-abled
- To make technology accessible and available for hassle-free use by the target group
- To enhance the employability of the differently-abled



#### **The Content**

- A free and rigorous training on computers and the Internet
- A well-planned course structure to hone the skills necessary for employment
- Access to high speed Internet on all working days, free of cost
- Free CDs and Braille books on computers
- Stress-free and friendly environment to boost learning process
- Full support and help from qualified teachers and staff



#### **Deliverables**

- An increase in knowledge and skill level
- New employment opportunities
- The chance to interact & network with people with similar disabilities
- For children, building a foundation for further education
- Tangible deliverables such as audio textbooks, a monthly audio magazine etc



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## Thank You!

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