

Connect2Recover

Building back better with broadband

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Webinar

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Current situation



- 2 cellular operators for both fixed and mobile services
- 4 Internet Service Providers (ISPs)
- 100+ TV Stations, 300+ Radio Stations (FM)
- 7.5 M of mobile subscribers , 500 k fixed lines (wireless)
- 2 M smart phones, 4 M Internet Users
- Satellite TV operators : 2 providers
- Cellular coverage (combined) : 90% (Pop: 12 M, Area: 27250 Km2)
- Technologies used: 2G, 3G, and 4G being deployed

Current situation



- Rural areas and remote villages underserved or not connected at all to Internet
- High speed data connections available only in main cities
- 2G network widely used by most of the population
- Internet usage highly affected by high illiteracy rate, low purchasing power of the users, low coverage of providers, lack of gvt online service, electric power unavailability and lack of confidence in online transaction



Current uses

- Communication (voice and data)
- Access to online services, e-commerce, e- education
- e-wallet
- Increase of development and provision of ICTs related services
- Digitization of some public and private services (in progress)



Objectives

- To provide basic trainings related to the use of ICTs to villagers
 - To promote the benefits and opportunities of the ICTs, particularly in Education, Health and Job creation
 - To promote the use of online services
 - To promote e-culture among the villagers
 - To promote the digital economy
 - To alert on risks related to the use of online services



Outcomes

- Adequate Capacity building in ICTs for the beneficiaries
- Adequate capacity to use ICTs for continued education, for health and Job creation
- Access to online classes to compensate the school days lost due to Covid-19
- Use of ICTs to access healthcare to avoid physical contact at hospitals
- Use of ICTs to create jobs and work online to avoid physical contact
- Intelligent and safe use of ICTs

Implementation strategy and status



- Selection of 2 sites from a list of 10
- Arrangements with the authorities for hosting, energy and security of the sites selected
- Invitation to the targeted groups
- Final Set up for the sessions (Equipment purchase, Connection, content, goals, time table)
- Launch of the operations

Implementation strategy and status



- 2 sites already selected
- Involvement of CONATEL - HAITI
- Kick off meeting scheduled on may 25th with CONATEL
- Content already available
- Schedule already defined

Key lessons and suggestions



- Challenges related to the development of content for a diversified public
- Better approach to reach most people, and meet their needs
- Cooperation between different stakeholders towards this goal
- *Digitization of public services for the creation of e-culture*
- *Mobilization of the persons trained to reach out their fellow citizens*

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Thank you !

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