

SMART TEACHER PROJECT

Background

COVID-19 has amplified the need of smart devices for teachers of G.S NYIRARUKOBWA where the main challenge is lack of digital devices and training to satisfy an increasing need introduced by online education. Helping teachers by donating smartphones and training helps them participate in digital education where they are able to connect with their peers sharing and learning as well as teaching their students via online channels established by Ministry of Education to continue learning while they are home. this contributes to the achievement of the United Nations sustainable development Goal 4 to provide Quality Education for all. The project will train 10 teachers on how to use smartphone and help them acquire their own devices to participate in online education.

Goals and objectives

The goal is to bridge digital divide for 10 teachers by;

- Donating 10 smartphones so that they can participate in online education.
- Training on how to use smartphones effectively.

Project Team

No	Name	Position
1	NIZEYIMANA Jules	Project Manager
2	ABAYISENGA Marie Aimee	Project Initiator
3	NDAHAYO James	Trainer
4	BIKORIMANA Fiston	Trainer
5	TUYISHIMIRE Issa	Videographer

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Implementation plan

Project Start Date:	15-July-21			
Project End Date:	30-August-21			
				Final
	Progress Report 1	Progress Report	Progress Report 3	Report
	due date	2 due date	due date	due date
Due Dates to Report to ISOC				20-Sept-21

Activities	Plan Start	Plan End	Person in Charge	Status
Meeting with project team	15-July-21	N/A	Jules	Completed
Selection of 10 teachers to receive				
Smartphones	15-July-21	21-July-21	Aimee	Completed
Smartphones distribution	22-July-21	15-August-21	Jules	Completed
Training	16-August-21	30-August-21	James & Fiston	Completed

Outcomes

Smartphone Distribution

On 15th July 2021, a joint meeting was organized between ISOC Rwanda Chapter and G.S NYIRARUKOBWA to select 10 teachers to receive smartphones.

10 teachers were selected, received smartphones and now they can:

- use them for communication and research,
- use them accessing digital Library contents and are using smartphones in lesson preparation.

Training

At G.S NYIRARUKOBWA in NTARAMA Sector, BUGESERA District, on 12th August 2021, ISOC Rwanda Chapter conducted a 1-day training on how to use smartphone effectively in teaching activities.

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Feedback

From the feedback collected, recipients of smartphones have expressed how they were excluded in technology:

- They expressed their gratitude after receiving smartphones provided by ISOC Rwanda Chapter,
- They expressed how given smartphones are helping them accomplish their work easily, where they are being used in conducting research, in accessing digital library, and even in simplifying communication among themselves.

The school management has appreciated good cooperation and the support of smartphones from ISOC Rwanda Chapter and committed to promote Internet for good in the school.



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