

Project Closure Report

Project Name: Women Empowerment in IT and Computer

Purpose : To enhance IT awareness and promote IT education and literacy in the women community.

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Venue : Girl Guide Association Colombo -07

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1. Background

Gender and digital divide has long history since the computer was introduced in Sri Lanka. This was addressed by various organizations government and non governments but still they are not manage to show case the impact on the target group

Even though Sri Lanka is targeted to have 100% literacy rate by 2011, consideration given for the Information technology and computing is trivial. Besides women contribution in IT and computing marginalized due to the lack of access to the information technology and computing and confidence and the ability to use these new technologies.

Empowering woman by sharing knowledge and enhance confidentiality to diminish the myth in the society, "Information Technology and Computing is a something is not a sophisticated it is a necessity for all of us in day to day life".

Design & implementation

The event was organized with the association of Girls Guide Association and fully funded by ISOC Sri Lankan Chapter. This programme was executed at Girls Guide association in Colombo 7. Originally thirty girls were invited for the programme. While it was school holidays national programme coordinator of the Girls guide association was unable to collect the numbers we desired. There were thirteen girls and few girl guides captions made the programme.

The summary of the individual session objectives as per the design of the workshop are as follows:

Session 1: Introduction and Brainstorm

- By end of this session group became more proverbial to the environment and facilitators understood the awareness of the subject for implementing the rest of the sessions
- 30 minutes group assignment is to improve conceptual knowledge, soft skill development. End of the group discussion groups had to come up with the group presentation to the class.

Session 2: How does computer work

- By end of this session student understood how does electrical signal give energy to computer and how does computer work.

Session 3: Networks basics, Internet and IT Industry opportunities

- Network basics and internet was again grounding for a group session. Same groups were assigned to present group work at the end of the group discussion. It was observed that students have improved their presentation skills compared to the first session. Certain guidelines were given to students at the end of the first session how to present something more attractively.
- Second part of the session third, helped to change the perception of the students and the others. Discussion all about opportunities of the today IT industry with the examples of different institutional researches.

2. Feed back

Below is the summary of the feedback adapted from the course evaluation form on 'Relevance of workshop to the participant's job/studies role':

Details	Excellent	Good	Need Improvement	N / A
Relevance of workshop to your job / Studies (Needs & interests)	10	3	0	0

Feedback adapted from the participants' Workshop Assessment forms:

Details	Excellent	Good	Needs improvement	N / A
Quality of sessions, use of visual aids	10	3	0	0
Session well organized	9	3	1	0
Quality of the practical sessions	11	2	0	0

Feedback adapted from the participants' Workshop Assessment forms:

Details	Excellent	Good	Needs improvement	N / A
Pre workshop communications	11	1	1	0
Assistance of the facilitators	11	2	0	0
Food / accommodation / location	12	1	0	0

Key points:

Positive:

*Engagement of two facilitators is appreciated
Appreciate the administrative system and service was rendered
Good time management by the facilitators*

Improvements:

Based on the suggestions from the participants, it is suggested to include relevant more practical sessions.

Suggestion is to consider repeat the programme in different areas and same location with next level also extend programme to more than one day.

Attached:

1. Budget
2. Participants list
3. pictures