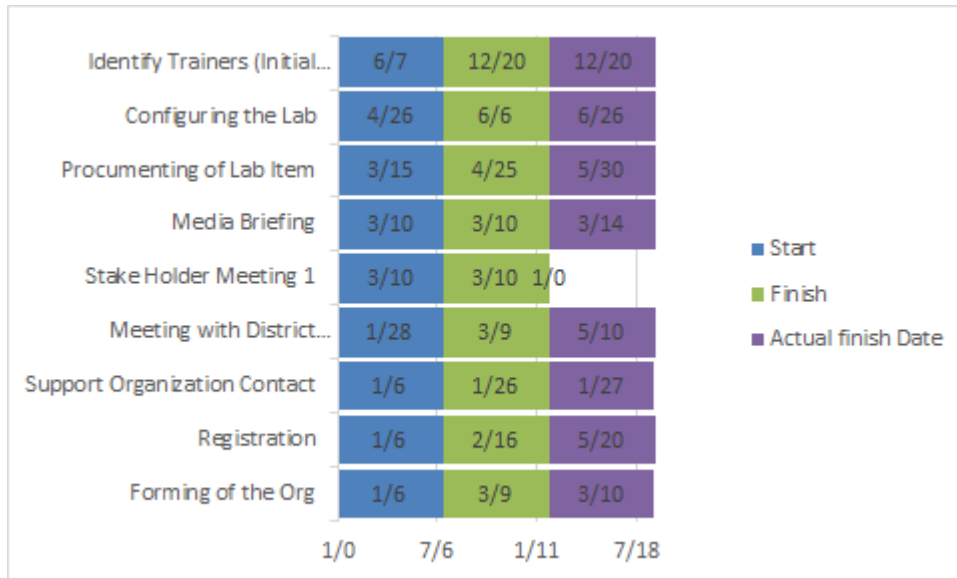


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2. A description of the activities undertaken by the project during the reporting period
 - Forming the organization-
 - We tried to register the organisation as a None Profit Organisation in the Company Secretariat.
 - We start the process
 - Suddenly the government changed the rules and regulations.
 - Our registration was stucked in the middle
 - So that fro the process we have being able to register the organisation in the Provincial Council
 - Registration Number : WS 11808
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 - On that base we have being able to open the Bank Account
 - Account Detail
 - Account Holder : Beyond the Reach
 - Account Type : Saving
 - Branch : Bank of Ceylon , Rajagiriya
 - Account Number : 79292819
 - Registration - Registration process has been completed.
 - Support organization contact –
 - Following Initial meetings had been Completed
 - Director of social services and he promised provide the support from ministry of social services
 - District Secretariat - Badulla
 - Initial Introduction and request for the trainers given
 - District Secretariat - Kandy
 - Initial Introduction and request for the trainers given
 - Employer Federation
 - Asoka Rathnayake from university of Colombo (A Blind Instructor)
 - Thelma Perera - President Seva Vanitha Civil ser
 - Syllabus and content Development
 - Syllabus finalising Meetings conducted
 - Content is development in the process
 - 70% completed
 - Stakeholder Meeting 1 (Western) was held on March 2016
 - Participants
 - Mrs. Thelma Perera - Army Ranaviru seva vanitha President
 - Mr. Wasantha Deshapriya - Secretary Ministry of Digital and telecommunication infrastructure

- Mr. SriNimal Padma Kumara _ media
 - Ms. Manique Gunarathne- Employers Federation
 - Dr.Menaka Ranasinghe - The Open university of SriLanka
 - Chethana liyanage - Sri FM - media
 - Udithamal Ranasinghe -HiruFM - media
 - Ms. Gauri Moragoda - TRC
 - Mr. Chanaka Gunarathne - University of Sri Jayawardhanapura
- o Outcome of the meeting
 - Introduction and discussion on the project initiative
 - Discuss the possible problems and solutions and alternatives
 - o Cost for the initial Meeting
 - Transport
 - Refreshments
 - Stationaries
 - Accommodation
- Media Briefing – First media briefing was done along with IGF 2016 in March and second one was done via Ranwan FM radio same month.
- o Date - 14th March 2016
 - o Air Time- 45 min
- Procumbent of Lab Items
- o Requirement Gathering -12th March 2016- 30th March 2016
 - o Finalised Specification - 20th April 2016
 - o Quotation call form know three suppliers - 3rd May 2016
 - o Finalised Quotation - 20th May 2016
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 - o Credit request - Non Acceptance of Credit from the suppliers
 - o Payment

3. Discussion of the performance to date against the goals of the project



We were unable to complete the registration process as we planned due to delay's and changes occurs at company secretary Provincial council side. We have provided requested documents many times and still its taking time to complete the process.

We are two months behind the scheduled procumbent process and because time was taken to finalize the procumbent guideline since this categorized under the social welfare project. Next challenge we are facing is select the trainers from the provinces since it selection process should utilize by adhering to the government procedures.

4. Outcomes & achievements

We have being able to convince our stakeholder specially

- Director of social services and he promised provide the support from ministry of social services
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Identified the main trainers

Finalised the syllabus for training

Purchasing of the computers (Laptops)

Installation has being started

Tested various opensource , Free, and Commercial Softwares to check the most suitable stack.

Finalised stak is

Windows

Microsoft office

Nvda

Keyboard training Software

As we planed Linux Based training has to be given up at the feasibility level due to unfamiliarity of the trainers for open source software. We are planning to address this in future in a separate session.

At the moment we have completed the syllabus and half way completed the content. Main content will be delivered in English but we will use mix language at the training. Lead trainer is testing the syllabus with the screen readers and the latest software installed in computers.

5. Lessons learned and disappointments

Due to registration rules changed we have had hard time on get the work done and due to this project activities get delayed such as selecting trainers. Social Services department is not willing accept the project without any legal registration where they directly involved their officers as coordination body with blind community and beyond the reach project.

6. Any changes in the design of the project and implications for future work

Registration authority changed

Laptop Specification changed (Graphic is not necessary)

Software Stack Changed

Sound devices added

Packing of laptop medium for transport.

Syllabus was slightly change from the original based feasibility survey with the blind community.

7. Any additional information that would be useful to the Internet Society community for purposes of an interim report.

The completed written section must be submitted at the same time as the financial report (see below); electronic or hardcopies will be accepted.