Effectiveness of knowledge hubs in empowerment of rural poor: service, relevance and ownership



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Definition of public internet access centers (PIACs)

PIAC is a site location, or centre of instruction at which internet access is made available to the public, on a full-time or part time basis. PIACs include telecentres, digital community centres, internet cafes, libraries, education centre and other similar establishments, whenever they offer internet access to the general public. All such centres should have at least one public computer for internet access.

Partnership for measuring ICT for development

- 1. Members: ITU, UNCTAD, OECD, UIS, Eurostat,, World Bank and five RCs
- 2. Identify a set of core indicators, harmonized and agreed internationally
- 3.Core indicator: ICT infrastructure and access, ICT by households, ICT by businesses, ICT sector and trade in ICT
- 4. PIACs in core infrastructure and Community Internet access facility in core households

Poor groups in rural areas

1. Low income people 2. People with disabilities 3. Senior people 4. Rural people



I divide and level of use indexes

usists accessibility (30%), capacity of use (20), utilization (50)

bility sub index: possibility to access ability of relevant tools (20), ce of computers (20)

y sub index: capability to use (50), capability to use Internet (50)

on sub index: frequency of use (60) ness of use (40)

