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Contribution to the CSTD ten-year review of the implementation of WSIS outcomes

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Q6: Which stakeholder category do you belong to? Private Sector

Q7: To what extent, in your experience, has the "people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society", envisaged in the opening paragraph of the WSIS Geneva Declaration of Principles, developed in the ten years since WSIS?

We could have done much better than done so far. We have failed to address global poverty, hunger, unemployment and most of the basic issues effecting third world.

In my opinion, its possible to eradicate poverty (reference - Bill Gates) by ICT (INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY) which we are trying to do in India.

Q8: How far do you consider the implementation of specific WSIS outcomes to have been achieved?

There is not even basic awareness with people at large in Africa, India and even Europe.

There are few who have exploited opportunity to their advantage.

Q9: How has the implementation of WSIS outcomes contributed towards the development of a "people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society"?

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Q10: What are the challenges to the implementation of WSIS outcomes? What are the challenges that have inhibited the emergence of a "people-centred, inclusive and development-oriented Information Society"?

Main challenges are

1. People have not shifted their mindset from brick and mortar economy to knowledge economy what we discussed in Geneva.

2. Lack of private entrepreneurs to take up the challenge

3. Poor response of various governments in Africa, India
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<td><strong>Q11:</strong> How are these challenges being addressed? What approaches have proved to be effective in your experience?</td>
<td>Wherever private companies have taken up the challenge the success is seen but they do not look into greater good of society. We need to find new approaches.</td>
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<td><strong>Q12:</strong> What do you consider the most important emerging trends in technology and other aspects of ICTs which have affected implementation of WSIS outcomes since the Summit? What has been their impact?</td>
<td>The revolution and popularity of mobile telephones is amazing. It can best be used to remove poverty. We have developed successful models and now trying to launch in India and Africa.</td>
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<td><strong>Q13:</strong> What should be the priorities for stakeholders seeking to achieve WSIS outcomes and progress towards the Information Society, taking into account emerging trends?</td>
<td>Stakeholders, who are interested to work on this agenda, we can train them to create new business opportunities based on WSIS principles and new technology.</td>
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<td><strong>Q14:</strong> What role should information and communications play in the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda?</td>
<td>Our target should be to eradicate poverty in the world by 2020. It is doable and all interested to come to gather and design roadmap.</td>
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<td><strong>Q15:</strong> Please add any other comments that you wish to make on the subject of the review that you believe would be helpful.</td>
<td>We have the solution to age old problems of hunger, poverty etc. We should share our resources and make it happen. You can count on us, we have the solution and interest to address the challenge.</td>
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| **Q16:** We would also welcome any documents, reports, etc. that you can forward which you think will provide useful evidence for the review. Please send these to cstd-wsis10@unctad.org. It would be helpful if you could list these in this box, together with any URL which enables access to them on the World Wide Web. | Please see the success stories of ICT as under  
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- www.hungersite.org  
There are many such stories globally which should be replicated. |