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Egypt Digital Transformation and online Safety Challenges

- In alignment with Egypt Vision 2030, and Egypt's digital transformation strategy, the Ministry of Communications and Information Technology (MCIT) has embarked on building Digital Egypt through developing Egyptian public sector and Building the digital skills of Egyptian Citizen.
- Child online protection and internet safety represent integral dimension of MCIT digital citizenship strategy and social responsibility.
- Since 2007, MCIT has led national efforts to empower children and young people to navigating the online world safely and allowing them to be equipped with the necessary skills to identify threats, and fully understand the implications and results of their behavior online.



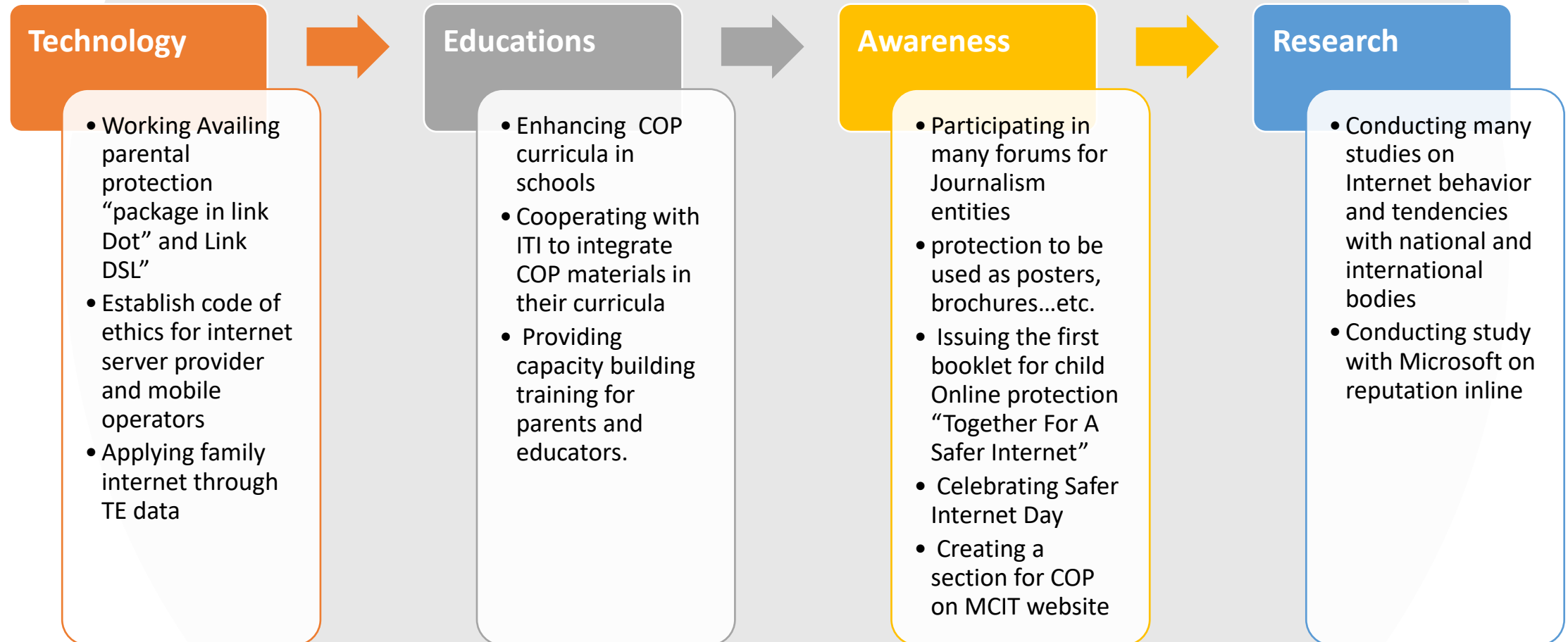
Achieved Efforts..

The MCIT steered the National Committees for Child Online Protection, that includes representatives of ministries, IT companies, communication services providers and non-governmental organizations worked thoroughly toward:

1. Supporting a safe environment for Internet usage among children according to COP committee members scope of work
2. Setting a strategy for child online protection and internet safety in alignment with national directions.
3. Communicating with international entities supporting COP, Opening discussion channels among member entities in the COP National Committee




National child online protection committees' outputs





New vision Innovative Tools

- The accelerating global change in ICT culture, solutions, and usage, entails adopting new mechanisms to confront growing challenges.
 - Egypt strategic orientation toward digital transformation, increased readiness in combating the consequences of COVID-19 pandemic, specially in Education sector.
 - The provision of internet coverage and ICT infrastructures increased efficiency in implementing E-learning mechanisms.
 - The integration of digital literacy material in schools curricula, facilitates the children smooth transition from traditional educational techniques towards E-learning.
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- The new challenges related to COVID-19 pandemic, where children are being exposed more than ever for online hazards, as a results of internet excessive usage for e-learning and social interactions with their peers.
- MCIT embraces innovative tools to mitigate consequences of emergent threats and enhancing a safer online environment for children and young people, including:



Current Steps ...

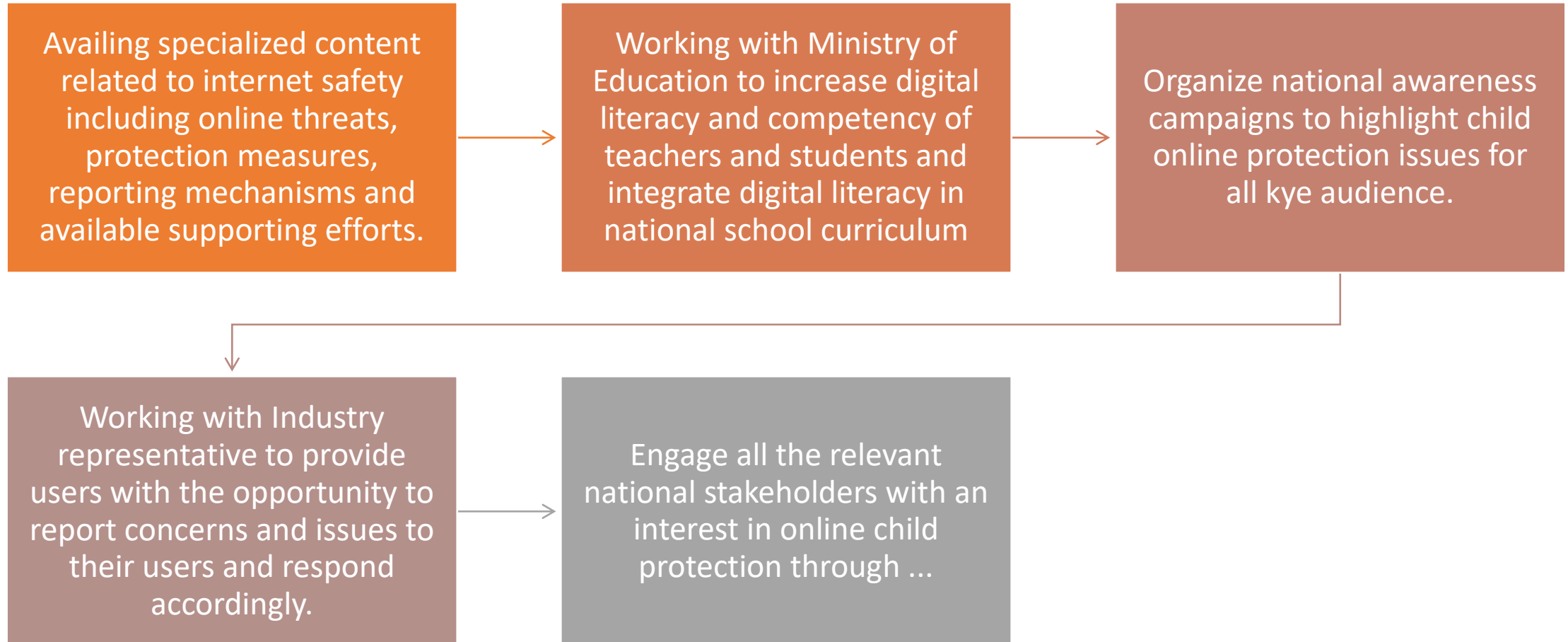
International organization :

- Reactivating cooperation with UNICEF for boost child online protection on different levels including production of specialized content and spread awareness for involved target groups.
- Studying the availability of specialized digital literacy curricula on the community Knowledge portals :Kenanaonline

2- Governmental stakeholders:

- Working with National Council for Women (NCW) to provide responding mechanisms to address escalating online violence against girls and teens.
- Coordinate with relevant Ministries to document laws and regulation related to child online protection and cybercrimes

Future Steps...





Thank You

