# **SK Telecom's Rural Broadband Initiative**

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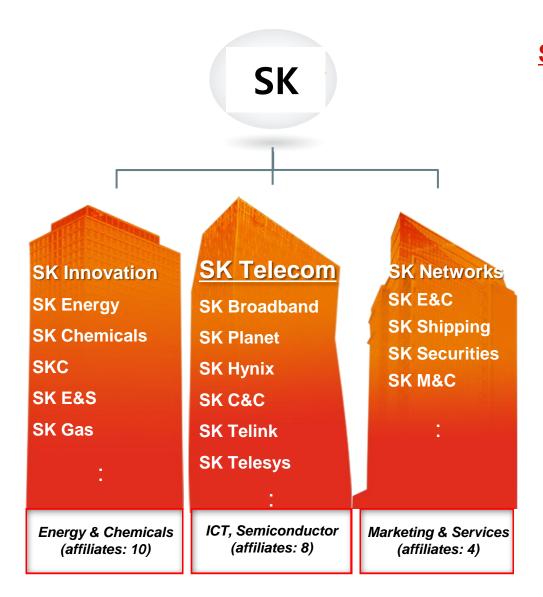
**SK Telecom** 

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# SK Group is the third largest conglomerate in Korea



# SK is Korea's top 3 conglomerate

• 3<sup>rd</sup> largest in sales : U\$ 140 bn

• 3<sup>rd</sup> largest in assets : U\$ 118 bn

 Accounts for 12% of Korean GDP and 11% of all exports

# **International Recognition**

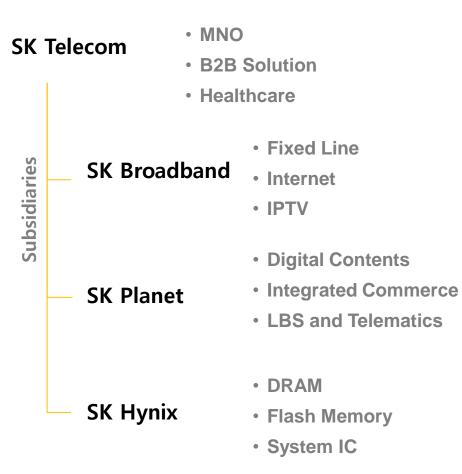
Fortune Global 500 Ranking



2011 82<sup>nd</sup> 2012 65<sup>th</sup> **2013 57<sup>th</sup>**  SK Telecom (SKT) has accomplished outstanding achievements in the telecom. industry over the last couple of decades and today, it is successfully spreading tech. leadership into other areas of ICT industry

#### SK Telecom's achievements

- No.1 mobile network operator in Korea
  - 50.1% M/S, 27 million subscribers
  - Revenue \$15 bn, Net Income \$2 bn (2013)
- Outstanding LTE Contribution Award (by GSMA, in 2013 and 2014)
- World's 1st & Global ICT Leader
  - LTE Advanced (2013)
     Leader in 3 Band Carrier
  - HSUPA (2007) Aggregation
  - HSDPA (2006)
     Leader in 5G Network Working
  - Satellite DMB (2005) Group among GSMA members
  - CDMA 2000 1x/EV-DO (2000)
  - CDMA (1996)



**Key Business Domain** 

There still exist digital divide in many parts of the world mainly caused by issues arising from connectivity, device/ terminal, and human factor

[ Why is the digital divide still there? ]

# Connectivity

- Poor connectivity / speed hamper satisfactory Internet experience
- Low invest in key infra (i.e. fiber backhaul) due to ROI challenges

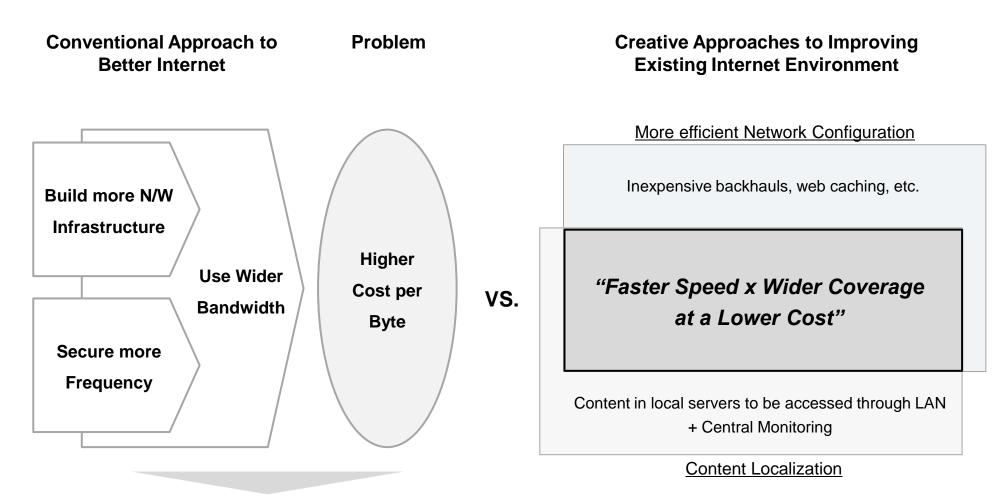
## Device / Terminal

- Desktop PCs break down easily and are Hard to maintain / repair
- Wired-line telecentre setup prevents ubiquitous Internet experience

# Human Factor

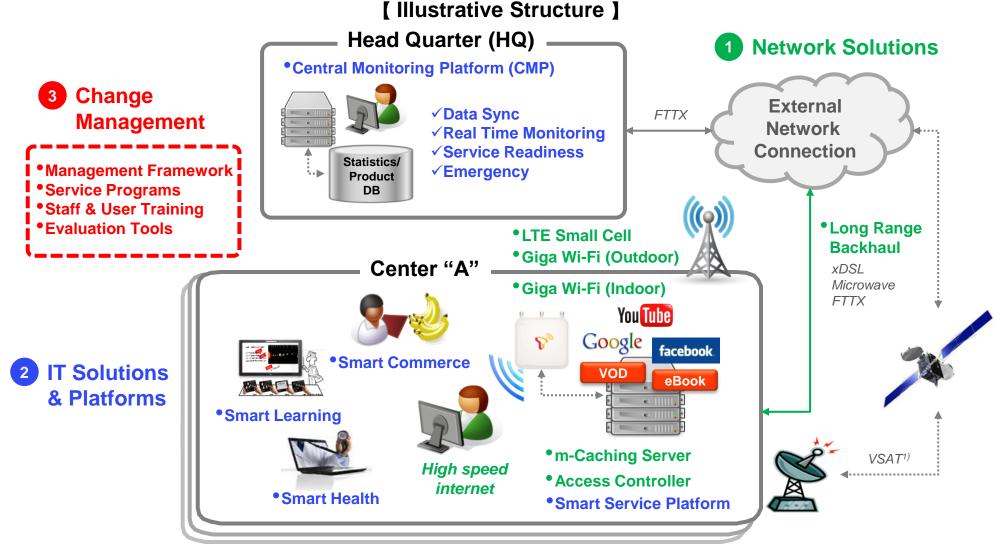
- Insufficient ICT learning programs leave facilities underutilized
- ICT benefits are not felt / transferred to local people's daily lives

More accessible & faster Internet environment can be had without massive investments in network by creatively improving the existing infrastructure



Not Applicable to Rural / Urban Poor 'Not-Spots'

Network and IT solutions, together with management system, will be implemented in each local center and will be managed/monitored through the CMP at the HQ



# SKT offers various cost-effective and high-performance network components suitable for poor network environment such as in the rural communities

#### Giga Wi-Fi mCaching Server ✓ Cost & Performanceefficient ✓ Real-time web caching √ x3 wider coverage ✓ Contents pre-loading **Indoor AP** √ x6 faster speed √ Max. x4 backhaul capacity enhancement √ Max. 200+ concurrent users **Outdoor AP** LTE Small Cell Long-range Backhaul Solution √ The most suitable cellular √ Unlicensed frequency access for low-population areas ✓ Point to Point & Mesh Indoor function ✓ Max. 5km coverage Max. 30km range √ Max. 128 concurrent users

Easy-to-use and practical IT platforms are lined up for the local community to take full advantage of the benefits of the broadband connection in the area

# Smart Learning Solution



- √ VODs¹) & eBooks for on/ offline environment
- ✓ Self-progress control feature
- ✓ Easy & simple UI

#### Smart Commerce/Health Solution



- √ 3~4 simple steps to promote online
- ✓ Linked to various SNS & Commerce websites



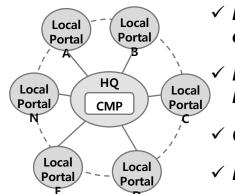
- ✓ Self health measurement
- √ Printable health record

# **User & Admin Portal**



- √ Web Portal for accessing services
- ✓ Managerial features including membership, usage & asset mgmt.
- √ Various Statistics

# Central Monitoring Platform (CMP)



- ✓ Monitoring of local centers from HQ
  - Data sync. between local centers & HQ
- ✓ Customized data analysis
- ✓ Emergency Control

Change management tools can greatly enhance the level of user engagement by encouraging local community's consistent and active utilization of the broadband and IT services

## Management Framework



- ✓ Detailed policies & procedures for center management
- √ Tasks & responsibilities for staffs

## Service Programs



- ✓ List of programs & promotions
- ✓ 52-week schedule
- ✓ Execution guides

# Staff & User Training



- ✓ Staff training on service& facility operation
- ✓ User training on services& Smart Devices
- √ Various manuals

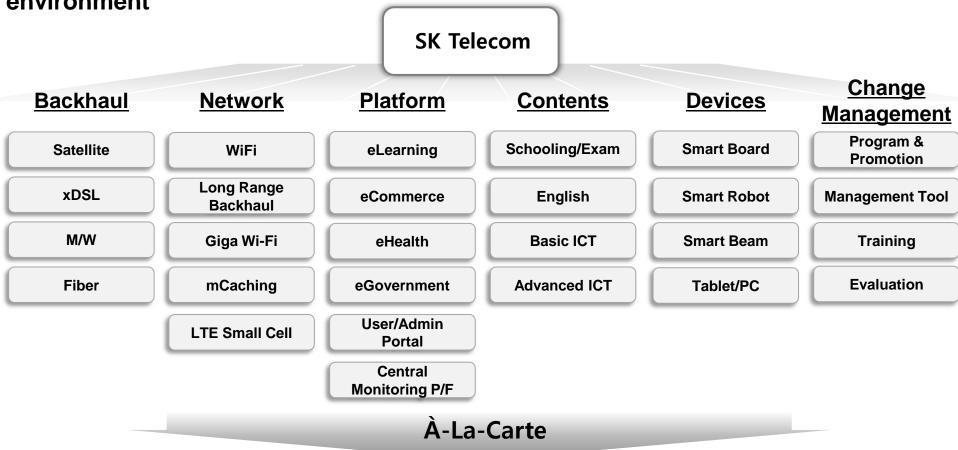
## **Evaluation Tools**



- ✓ Periodic operational report
- √ Staff & program evaluation sheets

1) VOD : Video on Demand

All individual components provided by SKT can be individually chosen and customized in various combinations to best suit the needs of a specific local environment



Can be combined to form "the most optimal package" to meet the specific needs required by the environment

IV. Pilot Site 1. Overview

A pilot site is currently under operation in a small rural town in East Malaysia with the optimal combination of our components implemented

# Pilot Site in Malaysia





# "I was impressed with the infrastructure set up at the SK Community Broadband Center

which appeared to be effective in assisting Kuala

Tomani villagers to enjoy ICT facility.

# On Giga Wi-Fi technology,

government needed to take into consideration the cost before making a decision, and

the Ministry is prepared to hold discussions on the new technology offered in the effort to develop PI1M<sup>1)</sup> nationwide "

- Dato' Sri Ahamad Shabery Cheek
Ministry of Information, Communication and Culture

IV. Pilot Site 3. Results so far

On average,

100+ MEMBERS

visit the Center
ever day

Membership count has reached over <u>1,000</u>

<u>WITHIN 5 MONTHS</u>
of operation

Regular school classes has been held consistently

EVERY DAY by the teachers

PC Usage & Content usage sums up to 200 HOURS & 150 VIEWS PER DAY

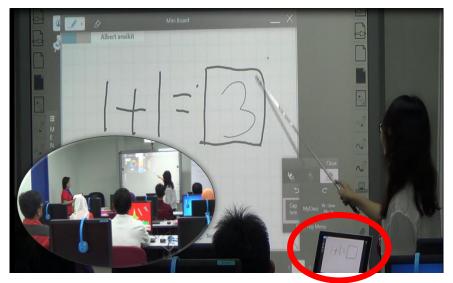
Max. amount of data usage within a 1-month period was 11.7Mbps, with <u>mCACHING</u>

PROCESSING 7.8Mbps
& BACKHAUL 3.9Mbps



<Students using Tablet PCs>

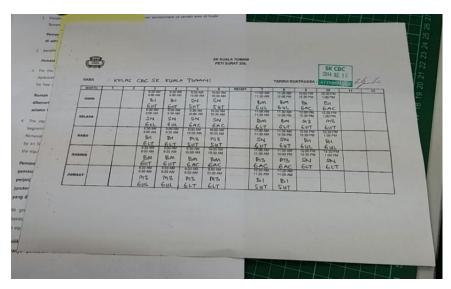
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<Training Program for Teachers>



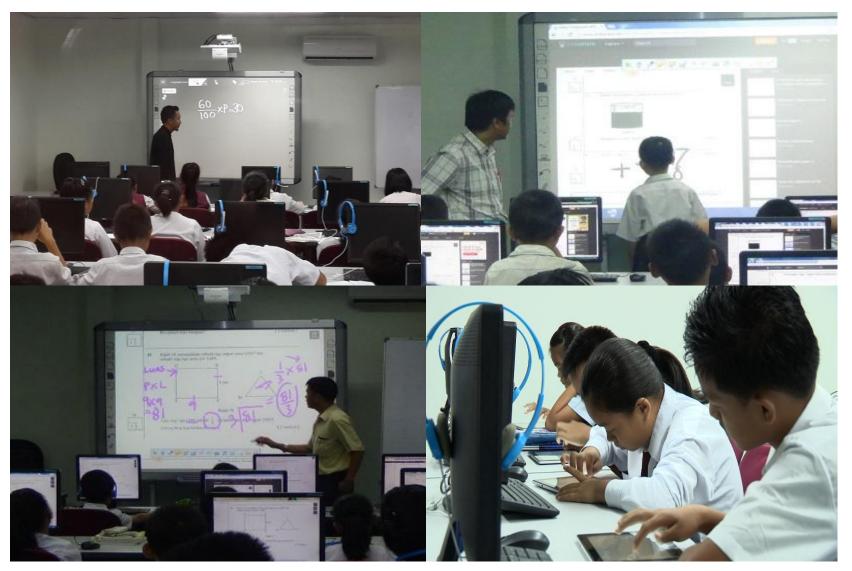
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<SKCBC Content used by a teacher>



<Teachers & students using the writing feature>



< Video Clip Session>



<A teacher using the Web>



<School Entrance Exam Prep. Class>



<Self-Study with SKCBC Content>



<MS Office Excel Class>



<"Creating My First Email" Class>



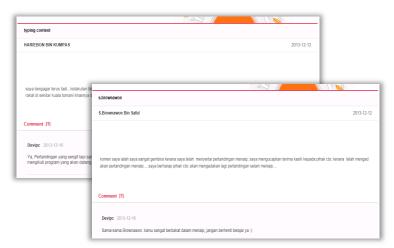
<Typing Class>



<Web Searching Contest>



<Adults & students participating in the Contest>



<Comments on Freeboard>

"I am very nervous at the moment. I hope this contest will carry on because this kind of contest will arouse interest, at the same time utilize the technology for the right thing."

- Comment from an Adult Member

"I was very happy to participate in the Typing Contest. I would like to thank CBC for holding the competition. I hope CBC will hold more competition other than typing."

- Comment from a Student Member



< Vocabulary Card Reading Game>



<Alphabet Fishing Game>



<Storybook Time>



<Marketplace Board Game>



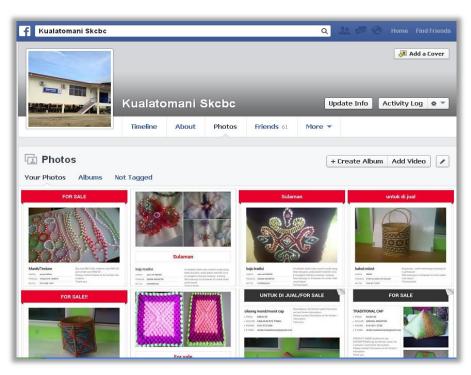
<Students drawing on the Tablets>



<Students' Drawings>



<Ladies taking pictures & uploading promotions on SNS>



<Various promotional postings on SKCBC Kuala Tomani's facebook site>



Comments left on the postings by Customers>



<Presentation on Sanitation & Health Equipment Training>



<CBC Passport Event>



<BRIM Registration Aid>



<College Apps. & Job Search Aid>



<Pre><Pre>romotions at the mini RTC Carnival>



<Visitors from the Ministry of Education, Malaysia>



<Minister of Ministry of Information,</p>Communication and Culture, Malaysia>



<Visitors from the MICT, Thailand>





<Visitors from the MCMC
& Various Malaysian Telco.>



#### V. Our Vision

SKT believes that the Rural Broadband Initiative will act as a 'catalyst' to provide new opportunities to improve the overall quality of life of the relevant communities

#### **'CATALYST'**





## **SK Telecom**

Rural Broadband Initiative







# Self-development through ICT

# **Opportunities**

to access ICT training & education

VIRTUOUS CIRCLE

Realization
of desires for higher
achievements

Learning to increase skills

& knowledge