

ESTABLISHING THE EMETACK DIGITAL SKILLS & INNOVATION CENTRE (EDSIC)

Empowering 1,000 Young Ugandans Every Year Through Digital Skills, Innovation and
Entrepreneurship

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Project Duration: 12 Months

Funding Requested

USD 60,000 (UGX 216,000,000)

Executive Summary

Uganda has one of the world's youngest populations, yet many young people continue to face unemployment, limited digital skills, and few opportunities for entrepreneurship. National statistics indicate youth unemployment remains substantially higher than overall unemployment, and millions of young people are outside employment, education, or training.

Emetack was founded in **2019** after its founder experienced how one act of generosity transformed his own educational journey. Beginning in a single rented room with only a few learners, Emetack has steadily provided ICT training and technology services despite limited resources.

This proposal seeks **USD 60,000** to establish the first phase of the **Emetack Digital Skills & Innovation Centre**, a practical learning and entrepreneurship hub in Masaka.

The Centre will provide:

- Digital Skills Training
- AI & Programming
- Website Development
- Entrepreneurship
- Business Incubation
- Community ICT Services
- Student Accommodation
- Conference Facilities

Within the first twelve months the Centre will:

- Train **1,000 youth**
- Support **150 women entrepreneurs**
- Incubate **50 startups**
- Create **18 direct jobs**

- Generate sustainable income through commercial ICT services

Problem Statement

Uganda adds hundreds of thousands of young people to the labour market every year, yet many lack practical, job-ready digital skills. Studies by the International Labour Organization identify limited digital skills, lack of devices, and insufficient internet access as key barriers to participation in digital work.

Masaka serves a wide surrounding rural population, but affordable technology training centres remain limited. Young people often travel long distances to Kampala or abandon opportunities due to transport and accommodation costs.

Women, school leavers, persons with disabilities, and unemployed graduates are disproportionately affected by these barriers.

Why Emetack?

Unlike many organizations that focus only on classroom instruction, Emetack combines:

- Practical ICT Training
- Real Client Projects
- Internship Placement
- Business Incubation
- Technology Services
- Entrepreneurship Support

Students graduate with portfolios, work experience, and opportunities to earn income.

Goal

To establish a sustainable Digital Skills & Innovation Centre that equips vulnerable youth with practical ICT skills, entrepreneurship knowledge, and employment opportunities.

Target Beneficiaries

CATEGORY	NUMBER
Youth	1,000
Women	400
Persons with Disabilities	50
School Leavers	300
Entrepreneurs	150
Startups	50
Teachers	40

Indirect beneficiaries

Over **10,000 community members**

Project Design



Ground Floor

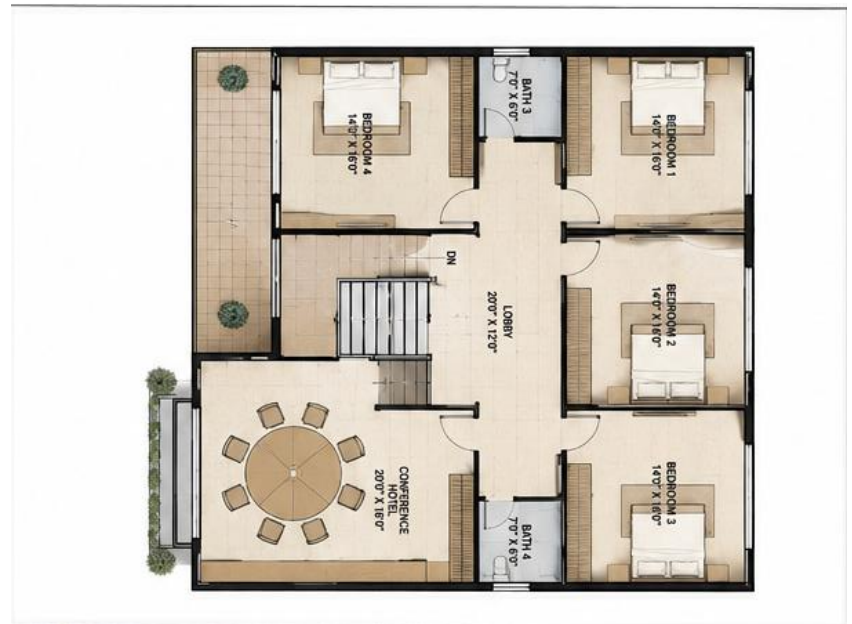
- Reception
- Administration Office
- Finance Office
- Conference Hall (80 Seats)
- Kitchen
- 3 Classrooms



- 2 Accessible Toilets
- Computer Laboratory (30 Computers)
- Server Room
- Parking (12 Cars)

First Floor

- 4 Student Hostel Rooms
- Study Room
- Innovation Hub
- Co-working Space
- Meeting Room
- One Trainer Apartment
- One Female Washroom
- One Male Washroom
- Balcony



Training Programs and Courses

NO.	Course	Study Period	Tuition (UGX)	Award
1.	Computer Applications & Office Practice	2 Months	550,000	Certificate

2.	Website Programming	2 Months	600,000	Certificate
3.	Software Programming	4 Months	1,000,000	Certificate
4.	Database Programming	1 Month	200,000	Certificate
5.	Mobile App Programming	4 Months	2,200,000	Certificate
6.	Computer Aided Graphic Designing	3 Months	580,000	Certificate
7.	Internship (Industrial) Training	1-3 Months	200,000 (Local) - \$150 (International)	Certificate
8.	Computer Networking	2 Months	800,000	Certificate
9.	Fundamental Computer Skills (Adult Learning)	1 Month	600,000	Certificate
10.	Digital Marketing	2 Months		Certificate
11.	Artificial Intelligence	4 Months		Certificate
12.	Secretarial & Office Managemnet	2 Months		Certificate
13.	Videography	4 Months		Certificate
14.	Computerised Accounting	2 Months		Certificate

Equipment

- 30 Desktop Computers
- 2 Interactive Smart Boards
- 2 Projectors
- Networking Equipment
- Solar Backup
- CCTV
- Access Control
- Furniture
- Internet Installation
- Printer & Scanner

Work Plan

Months 1–2:

- Procurement
- Permits
- Site preparation

Months 3–6:

- Construction

Months 7–8:

- Electrical
- Plumbing
- Solar

Months 9–10:

- ICT equipment
- Furniture
- Recruitment

Months 11–12:

- Student recruitment
- Training launch
- Monitoring

Budget Summary

NO	ITEM	UGX	USD
1.	Site preparation & foundation	18,000,000	5,000
2.	Structural construction	64,800,000	18,000
3.	Roofing, windows & doors	18,000,000	5,000
4.	Electrical & plumbing	14,400,000	4,000
5.	Solar power system	10,800,000	3,000
6.	Classroom & office furniture	10,800,000	3,000
7.	Computer laboratory (30 PCs, networking, projector)	39,600,000	11,000
8.	Hostel furniture	7,200,000	2,000
9.	Staff recruitment & training	7,200,000	2,000
10.	Monitoring, evaluation & audit	7,200,000	2,000
11.	Communications & outreach	7,200,000	2,000
12.	Contingency	10,800,000	3,000
TOTAL		UGX 216,000,000	USD 60,000

Sustainability

After grant completion, the Centre will generate revenue from:

- ICT Training Fees
- Website Development
- Software Development
- Computer Maintenance
- Conference Hall Hire
- Hostel Accommodation
- ICT Consultancy
- Corporate Training

Projected Year 2 self-generated income:

Approximately **UGX 150–200 million annually**, assuming steady enrolment and service uptake.

Monitoring Indicators

Indicator	Target
Youth trained	1,000
Women trained	400
Graduates employed or self-employed within 6 months	70%
Startups created	50
Businesses receiving ICT support	200
Community members reached	10,000

Our Commitment

Every contribution entrusted to Emetack will be used responsibly toward expanding educational opportunities, strengthening infrastructure, and increasing access to practical technology education.

We are committed to transparency, accountability, regular progress reporting, and maintaining long-term relationships with every supporter and partner.

Why This Project Matters

1. This project is about much more than constructing buildings.

2. Every classroom means more students can receive practical skills.
3. Every hostel means rural students can study safely.
4. Every computer means another young person can enter the digital economy.
5. Every graduate means another family has a greater chance of escaping poverty.
6. The impact of this project will continue long after construction is complete.

Ways to Become Part of This Mission

Donate

Support construction, equipment, scholarships, or student welfare through a one-time or recurring contribution.

Become a Strategic Partner

Collaborate with Emetack to expand digital education, youth employment, research, innovation, entrepreneurship, and community development.

Invest

Invest in the long-term growth of Emetack through infrastructure, technology, innovation, and sustainable business expansion while contributing to measurable social impact.

Buy a Share

Become part of Emetack's long-term journey by participating in future growth opportunities that strengthen the institution and expand its impact. (Subject to applicable laws and governance arrangements.)

Sponsor

Sponsor a classroom, laboratory, hostel room, student, scholarship programme, computer, or training equipment and leave a lasting legacy.

Volunteer

Professionals, educators, software engineers, researchers, designers, entrepreneurs, and students can contribute their knowledge through mentorship, teaching, curriculum development, career coaching, and technical support.

Corporate Social Responsibility

Partner with Emetack to create sustainable education programmes while advancing your organisation's social impact goals.

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