



# EMERGING ICT CAPACITY BUILDING NEEDS FOR DIGITAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSFORMATION IN LAO PDR

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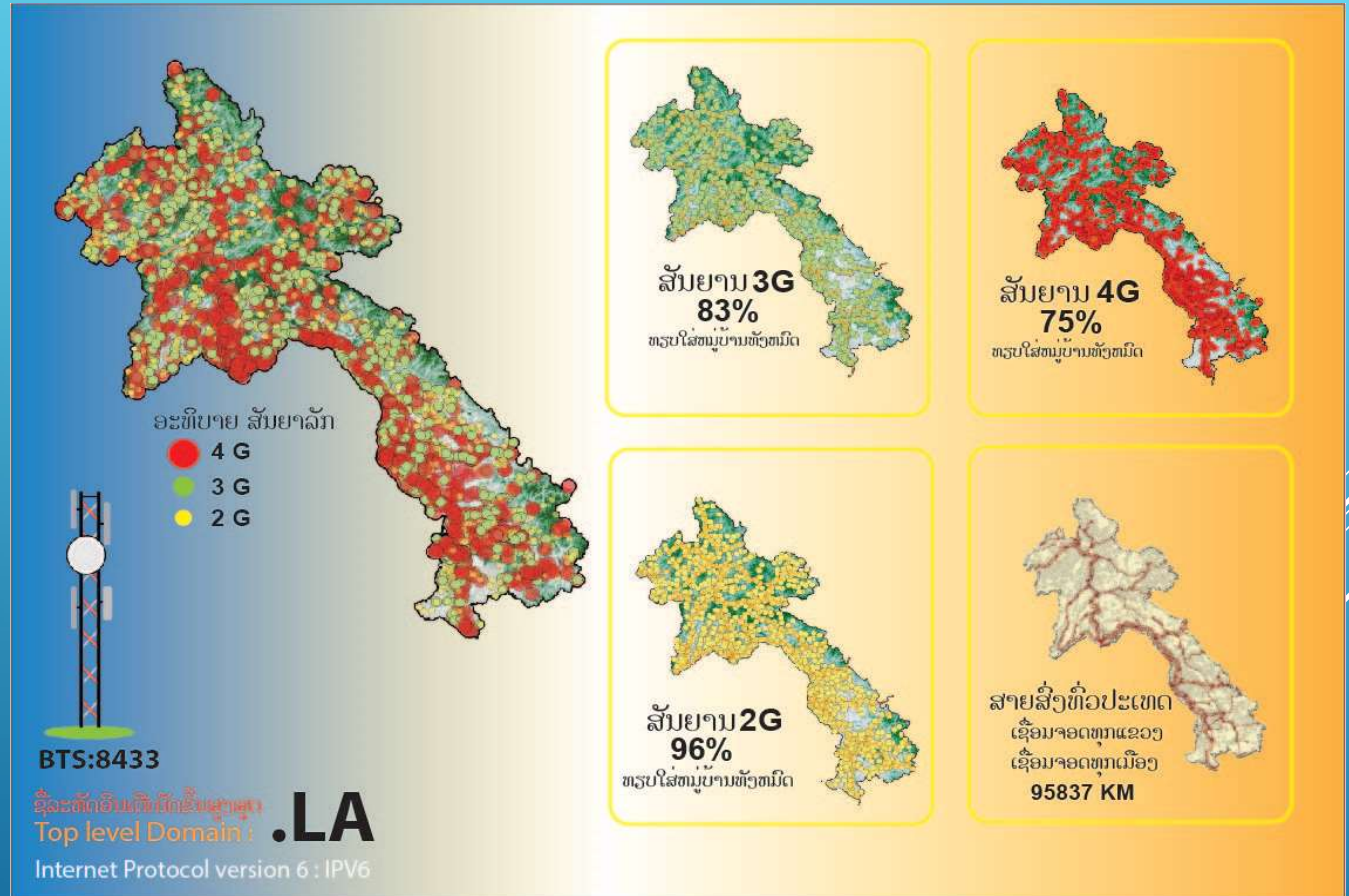
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# “ 1. OVERALL NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR DIGITAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSFORMATION.

- ❖ 20-year Vision for Digital Economy Development (2021-2040);
- ❖ 10-year Strategy (2021-2030) with 8 strategic priorities ;
- ❖ National Digital Development Plan for 2021-2025;
- ❖ 14 programs for 5 years (2021-2025).

## 2. EMERGING CAPACITY-BUILDING NEEDS AND SKILLING PRIORITIES TO SUPPORT DIGITAL GOVERNMENT AND TRANSFORMATION.

- ❖ Digital human capital and skills development would be the key factor;
- ❖ Achieve at least 3% of the total ICT workforce;
- ❖ An ICT institute under MTC that offer ICT-related courses to students and online training courses on digital skills;
- ❖ Basic digital knowledge and skills: digital devices, email communication, and web search necessary for professional working, especially for government officials or civil servants.

### 3. EXAMPLES OF ON-GOING OR PLANNED ICT CAPACITY-BUILDING PROGRAMMES FOR POLICYMAKERS AND CIVIL SERVANTS.

❖ **The government put forth several programs:**

- Capacity building for digital personnel with new skills such as AI, Data Science, Cybersecurity;
- Programs to provide ICT and digital technology courses for basic education;
- An initiative to establish a Digital technology Talent Center;
- Develop startup center;
- Build innovation center;
- Establish digital labor training facilities.

## 4. SUPPORT REQUESTED FROM APCICT/ESCAP IN RELATION TO ICT CAPACITY BUILDING.

### ❖ **Collaboration efforts:**

- Multi-stakeholders cooperation both domestically and internationally;
- Work with relevant private sectors and many organizations domestically;
- Work and seek support from development partners in the region base on mutual interest;

### ❖ **APCICT/ESCAP in the field of ICT capacity building program:**

- Training courses on digital human capital development: AI, Data Science, Cybersecurity as well as policy and regulations development.

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