Main Strategies for Disposal of Old It Equipment

Reference is made to Ministerial order n° 007/2009 of 01/12/2009 determining the institution and functioning of the asset disposal evaluation committee to set value for state private assets to be sold, exchanged, donated or completely destroyed. Reference is also made to Law N° 50/2008 OF 09/09/2008 determining the procedure for disposal of state private assets public institutions may sell, donate or destroy completely.

The below four options are strongly recommended while selecting disposal options by the valuation committee. This should be done with RISA's oversight.

Donation/Transfer of IT Equipment

- IT equipment disqualified to support the minimum acceptable technologies in government institutions shall be donated /transferred to startups, Academic institutions for didactic purpose, nonprofit institution or an association engaged in activities of general public interest.
- Functioning IT equipment which exceeded the standard life span shall be transferred to the academic institutions for didactic purpose.
- Smartphones, Tablets and computers falling under the category of IT equipment disqualified to support the minimum acceptable technologies in government institutions shall be donated to the community in order to rise the smart devices penetration.
- A non-functioning equipment can also be transferred to technical schools where they can serve the didactic purpose.

Sale/Auction of IT equipment

- In reference to Article V.4.(a), IT equipment falling under the category of IT equipment which exceeded the standard life span and IT equipment disqualified to support the minimum acceptable technologies in government institutions which was not donated to any of the startups, academic institutions or community shall be sold in public auction.
- For income generation purpose or any other valid reason, Institutions may directly opt the selling of old IT Equipment in public auction Equipment can be sold in a public auction in the event that the valuation committee determines the sale of IT equipment to be the best option and the auction should be conducted after acquiring authorization.

Recycle or Re-Use

- The process of repairing and re-use is done to extend equipment lifetime and prevent electronic devices from being simply thrown away.
- This process is strictly done by the competent repair company that has partnership with GoR by salvaging working components from multiple IT equipment whose repair cost exceeds 50% of its current value to form one functioning equipment.

- The repaired IT equipment will be strictly donated and reused in lower and secondary education in Rwanda, Digital Ambassador Program (DAP) or any other program or initiative after acquiring approval of RISA.
  This can also be done through the existing partnership between GoR and Enviroserve Ltd.

Complete Destruction of IT Equipment

This option can be applicable for IT devices damaged beyond repair that cannot be repaired, can cause harm to humans and that are no longer of any use. This IT equipment shall be collected and destroyed by an authorized e-waste management entity upon acquisition of a non-objection from Rwanda Housing Authority and Rwanda Information Society Authority.

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