



**e-LEARNING JAMAICA COMPANY LIMITED
PROJECT STATUS AND PLAN TO MARCH 2009**

SCOPE OF PROJECT

- **185 educational institutions, 165 public high schools, 6 public special schools, 8 teachers colleges that train teachers for high schools, 5 community colleges (AV equipment only), 1 independent high school (materials and training only)**
- **Grades 7-11 (pilot grades 10&11)**
- **11 subjects (pilot 5)**
- **Over 11,000 teachers (pilot 2880)**
- **Over 230,000 students (pilot 37, 344) (2006 statistic)**

OVERALL ACHIEVEMENTS AND PLANS

The project is approximately 10 months behind schedule mainly due to:

- i. delays in procurement – major protest on the equipment contract
- ii. protracted time to arrive at agreement on the philosophical framework to govern the deployment of materials and computer technology in the schools
- iii. unforeseen delays in finalizing the scope of work with the Supplier of the computer equipment and networks
- iv. need to reinstitute the Partners in Learning Agreement (PIL) Microsoft/MOE, in order to obtain budgeted rates for Schools Microsoft software licenses, further delaying manufacture of computers
- v. inordinate delays in the rate of completion of building works at the schools, mainly due to pressure of work and other priorities of the MOE Building Officers; this delayed the LAN installations
- vi. Agreement reached mid 2007 MOE/ETT to provide dedicated building officers, only now being realized, two hired Feb-March, one resigned

Plans are now in place to complete the pilot phase by end June 2008, and to fast-track various aspects of the project to catch-up with Phase 2, as follows:

- i. Deliver Audio-visual to all schools
- ii. Identify and fast track schools not requiring civil works (50 identified so far)
- iii. Focus on completing regions 1 and 6 schools needing civil works (approx. 35), increasing phase 2 schools by 10 to 85
- iv. Rate of completion estimated for Building Works - Ready schools 12 per quarter, not ready schools 6 per quarter, including time for procurement of Building Contractors, LAN and Computers, 24 schools per quarter
- v. Identify in the short-term, licenses for appropriate teachers materials while seeking content writers to develop government-owned materials for the longer term.

These strategies are expected to reduce time over run to 7 months for the project to end in March 2010, instead of August 2009

Of the expected project sum of US\$50 million, a total of US\$ 30,214, 286.96 has been signed in contractual arrangements to date, and J\$403 million expended to end February 2008 – see chart below



FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE	BUDGET TO END FEBRUARY 2008	EXPENDITURE TO END FEBRUARY 2008	VARIANCE
	J\$	J\$	%
GOVERNANCE & ADMINISTRATION	91,330,109.20	66,951,376.55	73.31
INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS	333,973,019.85	8,900,336.94	2.66
TRAINING OF TEACHERS	68,934,307.56	10,143,091.79	14.71
TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE	1,865,813,985.27	300,731,976.11	16.12
REMEDIAL PROJECT EVALUATION	5,295,000.00	9,669.00	0.18
	2,100,000.00	89,132.00	4.24
LOANS	138,000,000.00	0	0.00
CAPITAL COSTS	16,610,000.00	15,780,721.53	95.01
TOTAL	2,522,056,421.88	402,606,303.92	15.96

Achievements and plans by component are given in the chart below



	CONTRACT COST US\$	ACHIEVEMENTS TO MARCH 2008	TARGETS SEPT 2008	TARGETS TO OCT - MARCH 2009	TOTAL AS AT MARCH 2009
TECHNOLOGY INFRASTRUCTURE					
Audio-visual equipment	2.35 mil	Delivered to all project schools			
School Building Works	MOE Cost	14 pilot schools completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pilot 30 schools (May 2008) ▪ Other 36 schools 	51 schools	117 schools
Network and Furniture Infrastructure	10.67 mil	8 pilot schools completed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pilot 30 (May 2008) ▪ Other 24 	54 schools	108 schools
Computer Equipment Installation	14.56 mil	Printers and servers in island. Manufacture of computers commenced late March 2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pilot 30 (by end June 2008) ▪ Other 18 	54 schools	102 schools
INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS					
TIMS AND SIMS	3.12mil	Delivery and training for pilot schools in pilot subjects commenced, 2600 Items developed, 10 video lectures in production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Materials and training in 5 pilot subjects in all schools ▪ 10 video lessons delivered to schools and on cable TV ▪ 10,000 items written 	Acquire/develop materials for additional 6 subjects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Materials for all 11 subjects in schools ▪ 18,000 items developed ▪ 150 videos developed ▪ Central repository established
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ TEACHER TRAINING 					
• ICT Skill Training and Certification	2.46 MIL	1454 teachers and lecturers currently in training/have been trained	5372 teachers trained	2000 teachers trained	8826 teachers trained
Technology Integration Training		RFP for provider of published in November 2007 and proposals being evaluated	Contract training provider	Training	Training