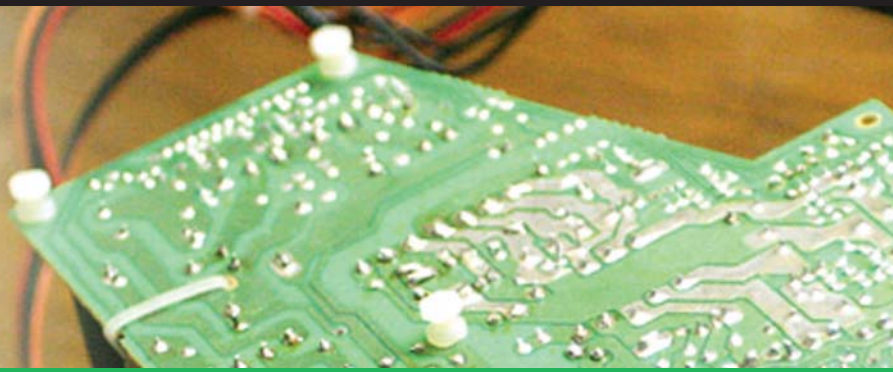


# Support the ACTT "GREEN IT" initiative



## Go Green with ACTT!!

**YOU** can help keep Tanzania **CLEAN** for future generations...

Over the past four years, ACTT has been supporting educational institutions to set up sustainable computer labs across the northern zone of the country. With over 40 educational institutions supported so far, ACTT has done regular follow-up to ensure the computers are maintained and utilised to their maximum potential. Still, the aging of the computers and peripherals is inevitable and we have noted increased maintenance costs over the years. With this understanding, ACTT is venturing into "Green IT initiatives" in 2009...

### Objectives of the Green IT initiative:

- ▶ Reduce maintenance costs incurred by schools in sustaining equipment;
- ▶ Reduce environmental concerns by preventing the dumping of irreparable electronic components that are environmentally dangerous;
- ▶ Ensure newer, more effective equipment is regularly deployed in schools;
- ▶ Support schools through the upgrade by keeping them up-to-date with latest software and training materials.

### Activities included in the Green IT initiative:

- ▶ ACTT advocates for schools and government bodies to factor in IT maintenance and upgrade costs in their annual budgets.
- ▶ Schools are visited to analyse the equipment they have if they need upgrading - this information is shared with former supporters, and potential supporters.
- ▶ Old equipment is replaced, and taken to the ACTT workshop.
- ▶ Trained technicians disassemble old equipment into different components (i.e. plastic, metal and electronic circuits boards).
- ▶ Metal and plastic are disposed through locally available recycling plants, and electric circuit boards (which are not currently recyclable locally) are carefully stored.
- ▶ ACTT is looking for support to fund the export of defunct equipment to countries with appropriate recycling plants, and it is seeking partners / donors interested in exploring alternate methods of disposal.

To learn more about the program and/or to support the cost of upgrade at a local school:

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