

COMPUTER SCIENCE TEACHER'S ASSOCIATION OF ZAMBIA (COSTAZ) PROFILE 2021

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WHO WE ARE

Computer Science Teachers' Association of Zambia (COSTAZ) was dully registered on 26th of August 2021 in accordance with the provision of societies Act Cap 119 of the Laws of Zambia with the agenda to provide a professional platform for teachers of ICT /Computer Science, leaners in schools and other organization/ persons with interest in ICT. On the 27th of August 2021, the association was recognized by the Ministry of Education, and the Ministry directed all government institutions to accord the Association support for it to function well within the existing frameworks in the Ministry of Education.

MISSION STATEMENT

To provide a platform for Computer science/studies teachers to share, research, innovate and facilitate teaching and learning of Computer science/studies in Zambian schools (institutions).

Our Motto:

The motto of the Association shall be "Embracing Technology with Innovation, Integrity, Excellence and professionalism.

<u>VISION</u>

The Vision for the Computer Science Teachers' Association of Zambia is: "Inclusive, innovative, relevant and quality lifelong competence enhancement through CPDs by Computer Science Teachers and any other organization/ persons with interest in ICT.

OBJECTIVE

Our objectives are:

- > To provide a meaningful platform of Computer Science/Studies teachers' concerns.
- > To work with the Ministry of Education and other stakeholders to ensure that Computer Science is a standalone department.
- ➤ To enhance quality and relevance in the provision of Education Technology and Digital Literacy Capacity Building and Up-skilling through CPDs, seminars, workshops and conferences.
- > To integrate ICT in other subjects and promote/support ICT in special schools.
- > Equipping School Administrators and those in other senior positions at DEBs/PEOs/HQ with Basic Computing Skills.
- > To enhance efficiency and safeguarding of ICT Facilities in schools.

CORE VALUES

Innovation: Offer a platform for production unit through research and innovations to both teachers and learners to promote software development, web design and hardware maintenance.

Quality: Put the interest of our learners first and be dedicated to providing an individualized learning experience that assures learner satisfaction despite of their learning difficulties.

Integrity: Remain committed to our Job description while discharging our duties with unwavering high standards of honesty, trust, professionalism and ethical behavior.

Excellence: improve learners' performance in computer related subjects through CPDs and electronic teaching to achieve quality results.

Professionalism: enhance teachers competencies through capacity building and upskilling programs

Teamwork: Work as one cohesive team from school level to national level whilst maintaining a caring and supportive work environment that fosters a sharing of ideas, skills and resources.

WHAT WE DO

COSTAZ effectively coordinates, guides and supports the community of computer science/studies teachers by innovatively improving the methods of lesson delivery, thereby promoting education technology and digital literacy in Zambia.

Additionally, COSTAZ uses coordinated discussions, CPDs, workshops, seminars, national competitions, capacity building meetings, member guidance and counseling, resource sharing, projects and financial contributions; to equip/improve teachers necessary academic competences, not only that but also instils basic Computing skills which are useful in school administration and in the society.

Furthermore, COSTAZ also aims at professionally bridging the gap between the ministry of education and Computer Science/ ICT related Subjects.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES

a. Improve teachers' competencies by updating and extending teachers' skills of teaching through CPDs.

- b. Layout of ICT infrastructure in schools to facilitate the use of ICT in the management of schools by equipping school administrators with basic computing skills through workshops, seminars etc.
- c. Orientation on how to Safeguard ICT Facilities in Schools
- d. Integration of ICTs in other subjects in schools.
- e. Promote ICT facilities as a way of continuity in the teaching and learning during lockdown of schools due to unforeseen events such as COVID 19 pandemic.
- f. Fostering Computer Science related skills in various research and innovations in Learners and Teachers that can contribute to National Development (Capacity Building).
- g. To share ideas on how best other countries have utilized the subject to improve the teaching and learning process.
- h. Educating Learners/Teachers more about Social Media and Cyber-Crimes (Technology and Digital Literacy).
- i. Promote the learning of Computer Science in Special schools.
- j. Offer strategies on how learner's performance can be improved in computer studies/ science related subjects to teachers.
- k. Policy formulation and implementation.
- 1. Robbing for more computer related equipment to balance the computer-pupil ratio in schools
- m. Robbing for scholarships for teachers of Computer Science to ensure that capacity is built.

MODES OF COSTAZ SERVICE DELIVERY

The association provides CPDs and other services in the following ways;

- Coordinated Professional Physical meetings, seminars, workshops, conferences at school level, zonal level, district level, provincial level and national level.
- Professional Virtual or online CPD meetings, conferences etc at all levels.
- Provide electronic teaching/ learning materials to teachers using Moodle, whatsapp, Telegram, COSTAZ Website.

Legal Framework

The Computer Science Teacher's Association of Zambia (COSTAZ) sector has been operating within the legal frameworks as provided under the following

(a) Societies Act Cap 119 of the Laws of Zambia.

(b) Education Act No 23 of 2011.

LEGAL REGISTRATION AND RECOGNITION

Registered with Registrar of Societies
Registered with Patents and Companies Registration Agency (PACRA)
Registered with Zambia Revenue Authority (ZRA)
Recognized by Ministry of Education (MOE)
Recognized by National Science Centre (NSC)

STAKEHOLDERS AND COOPERATING PARTNERS

- Universities, Colleges, Schools (Private/Public)
- > Zambia Information and Communication Technology (ZICTA)
- > National Science Centre (NSC)
- Unions (SESTUZ)
- > NGOs (NAQEZ, British Council)

OUR NATIONAL TEAM

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