

ITU Distributes DataWind's UbiSlate7Ci tablets to all Global Youth Summit Delegates

UbiSlate7Ci (commercial version of the Aakash2) tablet used by youth delegates from over 100 different countries to inspire the course for humanity's future

New Delhi /San Jose, Costa Rica, 11 September 2013: The International Telecom Union's BYND2015 Global Youth Summit started with a bang in Costa Rica as youth delegates completing their registration, were each provided a UbiSlate7Ci tablet computer (commercial version of the Aakash2) to use throughout the conference in order to help inspire them to think about the power of computing and internet access to solve global problems.

ITU secretary-general Hamadoun Touré noted "The BYND2015 Summit is a showcase of the power of technology to connect and empower people and to bring them together around a common cause; to collaborate and create solutions for their future."

One of the Summit's focuses is on how ICT can positively affect the role of developments in Education, Health care and helping the environment and delegates have been asked to focus on how this can be achieved globally. The tablet, which had previously been launched by UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon, was chosen for the delegates due to the enormous difference that it has made in changing the landscape of accessibility to low cost computing and Internet access globally.

Derek Kopke, Executive Vice President for International Business Development at DataWind, who addressed the Summit sharing his views on the impact of ICT on education, said "We were honoured to be asked to fulfill the needs of the ITU in getting low-cost tablets to all delegates at the Summit so that they can see what can be achieved with such technology. The response has been exceptional." The tablets will now follow their new owners back home to help spark further dreams of what can be done when ICT breaks down the price barrier.

"We're excited to see the low-cost computing and internet access revolution we helped start in India with the Aakash tablets, spreading globally and empowering the youth to make changes for the better", said **Suneet Singh Tuli, President & CEO of DataWind Ltd.**