

ICT best placed for education delivery'

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The Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) can make a big difference in education delivery, particularly in view of the limited resources among the African countries, a government official has said.

Speaking at the opening of a meeting of the 2nd NetTel@Africa academic board held at Kunduchi Beach Hotel in Dar es Salaam yesterday, the deputy minister for Community Development, Gender and Children Dr Batilda Burian said, current levels of resources cannot accommodate this and planners have to think beyond traditional approaches.

ICT Network such as Netel@Africa are very powerful due to their uniquely universal applicability, the utilisation effectively such networks have the potential to make communities prosperous by improving quality of life, said Dr Burian.

Quoting the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural organisation estimates, she said there would be more people to educate in the next 30 years than have been educated up to this point in history.

Earlier on the NetTel chairman Mr Richard Mariki said his body aims at building capacities of policy makers, regulations, private sector operators, consumers advocates, and academic institutions.

"Since the [HYPERLINK "mailto:Nettel@Africa"](mailto:Nettel@Africa) NetTel programme is running on the mixed mode that is online and offline, the body will receive and consider a report on changes to, and performance of knowledge enhancement web learning," said Mariki.

The meeting will discuss various issues among them includes approving the procedure of recruitment and terms of service of the academic coordinator.