Report of Meeting of Project Country Partners with Policy Makers

A meeting was held at the Department of Information Technology on 13th August, 2007, to discuss the progress and future plans of the Dzongkha Localization Project. The meeting was attended by :

1. Tenzin Chhoeda, Director, DIT
2. Sangay Wangchuk, Deputy Director, DIT
3. Sonam Dukda, Division Head, Infrastructure Division, DIT
4. Pema Geyleg, Project Coordinator, Dzongkha Localization Project
5. Members of the Dzongkha Localization Project

The following issues were discussed :

1. What has been achieved for the Dzongkha Localization Project
2. What needs to be done for the second phase of the project

Pema Geyleg, the project coordinator presented to the meeting that the second version of the Dzongkha Linux distribution is complete and needs to be launched and promoted to the general public. He also informed that the preparation of training materials for the second version is underway and about the completion of a month long OCR training at National Electronics and Computer Technology Center (NECTEC), Thailand, for one member of the Dzongkha Localization Project. Besides, he also informed the meeting about the cooperation between NECTEC and DIT in the fields of Natural Language Processing.

The members of the meeting were also briefed on the activities that needs to be carried out in the second phase of the project. Various deliverables for the second phase like Text-To-Speech, Optical Character Recognition etc were also discussed.

The meeting also discussed the GEM and OM project monitoring and evaluation tools.