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Digital Accessibility @ APAC

Issues and Considerations



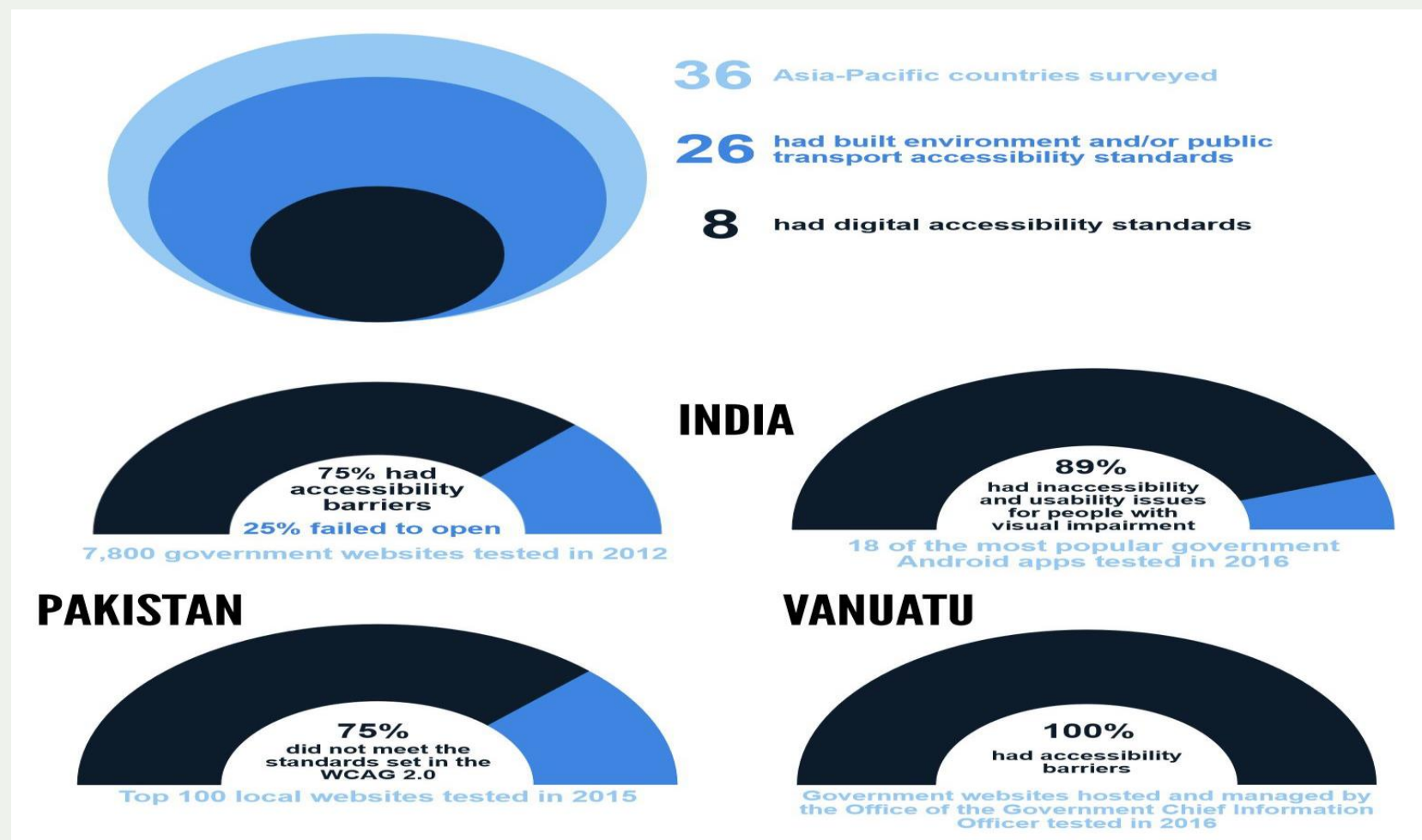
Founded in 1992 by pioneers of the early Internet, the Internet Society drives technologies that keep it open and safe. We promote policies that empower people to enable universal access for all.

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Web Accessibility

Person with disabilities often face barriers that restrict them from participating in society on an equal basis, including the access to and use of the Internet. As information and services related to education, employment, healthcare, banking and commerce are moving to online platforms, it is more important than ever to ensure that these online information and services are accessible to persons with disabilities.




Source: World Bank, WHO, CIS and ISOC

Issues

- Affordability
- Culture
- Availability
- Lack of awareness

Considerations

- Consult and include PWDs to know the barriers
- Bridge the gap between application developers and PWDs
- Business opportunity
- Trainings
-  Policies and regulations

Resources

<https://www.internetsociety.org/resources/doc/2018/digital-accessibility-guidelines-building-an-accessible-internet>

<https://www.internetsociety.org/projects/accessibility-toolkit/>

<https://www.internetsociety.org/resources/doc/2017/issue-paper-asia-pacific-bureau-digital-accessibility/>

Thank you.



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