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In the future it is highly likely that access to the internet and the availability of affordable electronic devices will increase. As a school leader, you need to be aware that you are preparing children for life in a complex and fast-changing world. The more exposure that they can have to new technologies while they are at school, the better equipped they will be to thrive in the future, as, the National Policy on Information and Communication Technology (ICT) in School Education 2012 puts it, 'preparing youth to participate creatively in the establishment, sustenance and growth of a knowledge society leading to all round socioeconomic development of the nation and global competitiveness'.

The aim of this course has been to demonstrate that using ICT in school does not require a dedicated computer facility, and to highlight some of the ways in which you can build ICT resources in your school. It is important that your ICT strategy:

- takes into account the skills and confidence of your teachers
- achieves the educational outcomes you want to achieve
- puts you in a strong position to capitalise on any opportunities that arise (such as donations and gifts).