

In many countries, government spend a large amount of money on improving internet access.

Why is it happening and do you think it is the most appropriate use of government money?

A huge proportion of the national budget is allocated for providing people with easier access to the internet. There are several reasons for such extraordinary expenditure and in my view, this is not the most suitable way to use state money.

Governments understand how the internet benefits the lives of their citizens. Not only has it facilitated accessing both educational services and general knowledge about all aspects of life, but also people's the communication ~~of people~~ across nations. Additionally, perhaps the inaccessibility of the internet among many places, especially the disadvantaged ones, for which mountainous villages in Iran could be brought up as a prime example, has the government draw a conclusion to invest their money in into improving the internet.

On the contrary, I believe that vast amounts of financial investments in on such a field could not be productive enough ~~productive~~. In fact, only half of the world's population have internet access, and even if governments were able to expand the network access, it would be, I believe, hardly reachable for the rural places of the world for the time being. In other words, the results would not fulfill the governmental funding needs thoroughly. Instead, in my opinion there are other areas that authorities could invest in before supplying a widespread network. For instance, constructing schools and sending qualified teachers to areas that are used to the absence of the internet and are unaware of its benefits would be absolutely more profitable.

In conclusion, although the importance of accessing information by people has brought governments' special attention to providing a high speed internet access, I think spending money only on the internet is not the most effective way.