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Koe Koe Tech Co., Ltd.

Co-Founded with Michael Lwin

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BIG BOLD IDEA

Revolutionize Myanmar's data-deprived health sector by creating a national data network involving all Myanmar health institutions.

ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW

Koe Koe, a Yangon-based company, trains local Myanmar people in computer programming and develops software for the health sector in Myanmar. We create information systems for hospitals, labs, and government, as well as mobile health apps for the general population. We have installed our software at several major health institutions in Myanmar, with plans to scale regionally and then nationally. Koe Koe's long-term aim is to develop a nationwide health information exchange where health information, properly anonymized and secured, will be shared among Myanmar health institutions to inform evidence-based health policy to improve and save lives.

PERSONAL BIO

Dr. Yar Zar, a Myanmar citizen, is co-founder and Chief Technical Officer of Koe Koe. As CTO, he works on all technical development tasks, including system analysis and design, application architecture, and coding. He is also the President of the Young Doctors Society of the Myanmar Medical Association. Yar Zar is a doctor and a computer scientist. Before receiving M.B.B.S. from the University of Medicine (2), he started teaching himself computer science in his spare time. Eventually, he formalized his education, receiving diplomas in computer science from the Myanmar Computer Company. Yar Zar worked with the Myanmar Medical Association and the World Health Organization for several years on malaria-related work. He then started working as an IT freelancer. His cousin, Michael, came to Myanmar in 2012 and soon after they formed Koe Koe, inspired to achieve the goal of developing a nationwide health information exchange system. Yar Zar understands that health IT is essential, especially in Myanmar, as there is no health information system at all to support health policymaking to improve and save lives.

Organization/Fellow Location

Yangon, Myanmar

Impact Location

Asia

Myanmar

Organization Structure

For-profit

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