WIKIPEDIA'S ARAB WORLD EDUCATION PROGRAM

WHAT IS IT?

A program sponsored by Wikimedia Foundation to develop Arabic Wikipedia.

WHY WAS IT INITIATED?

Arabic Wikipedia suffers from small number of articles, editors, and contributors.

WHAT DO WE DO TO HELP?

Mainly, we aim at incorporating Wikipedia in students' assignments in order to increase quality Arabic content on Wikipedia in particular and the web in general.

WHEN AND WHERE DID THE PROGRAM START?

At Cairo and Ain Shams universities, Egypt in 2012.

WHO DO WE WORK WITH?

High school and university students.

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WE ADDED 27,221,921 BYTES TO ARABIC WIKIPEDIA!

WHAT ARE OUR CHALLENGES?

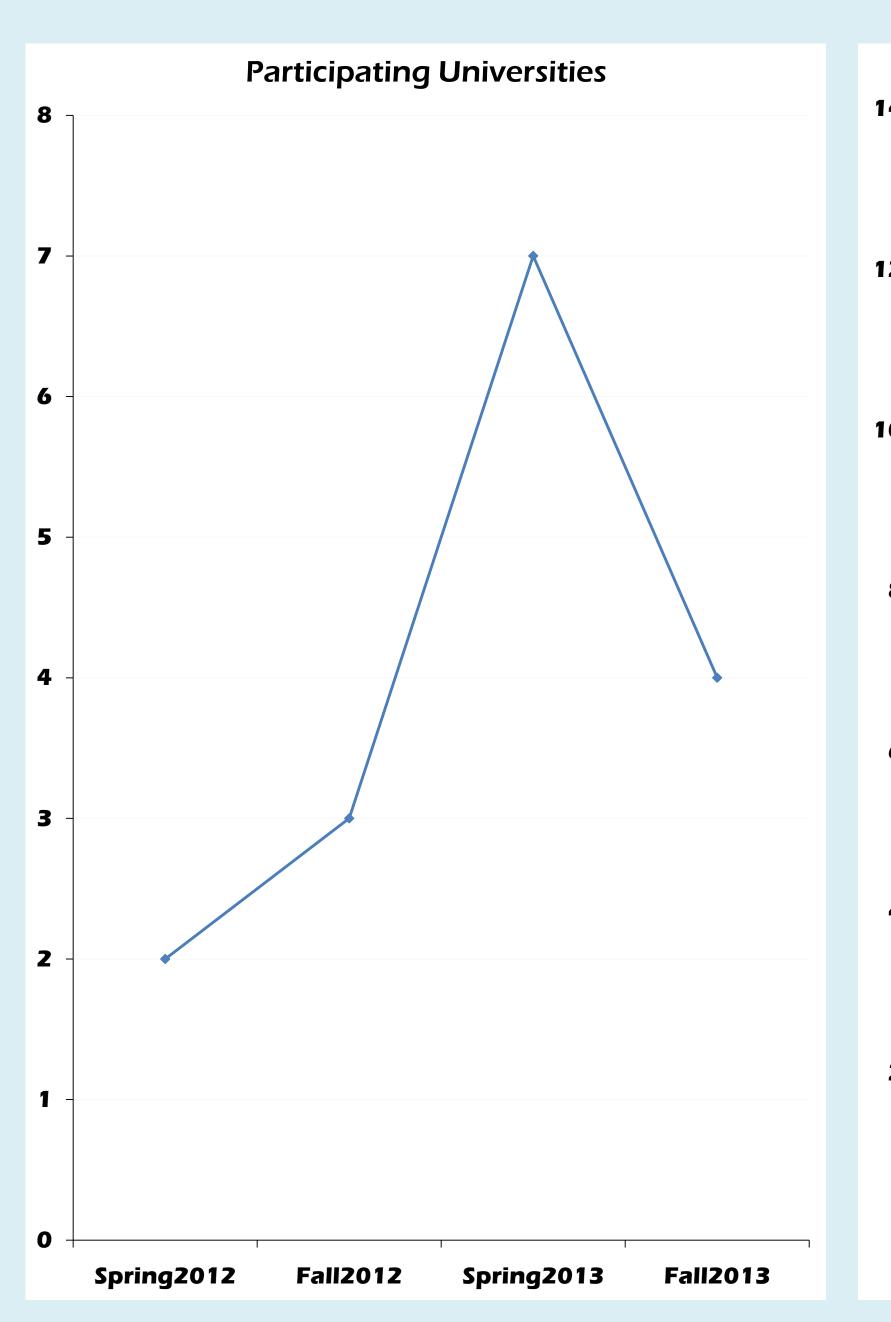
>Lack of infrastructure (computer-equipped labs for workshops).

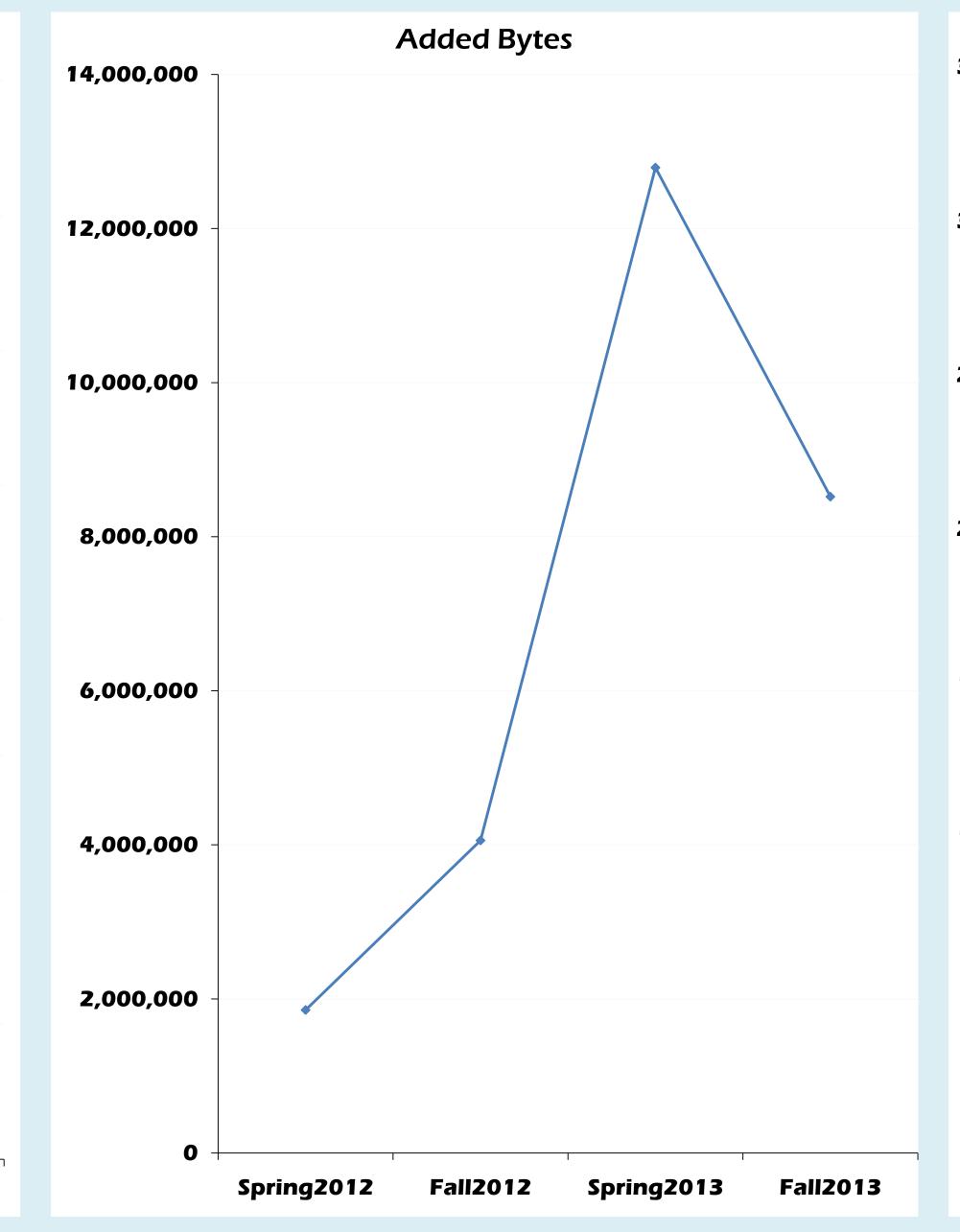
>Poor or non-existent internet connection.

HOW DID WE BEAT THEM?

- ✓ Online workshops from volunteers' homes.
- ✓ Using volunteers own devices.

The following graphs show our achievements over the Program's editions in the Arab World:







IMPLICATIONS OF OUR ACHIEVEMENTS:

❖Our contribution is huge.
❖Our efforts to solve the problems we meet are quite a success, but we still need support!

