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With the socio-economic and political problems that my country is currently going through, I honestly thought that I was not going to make it for this year's edition. I am so happy that I made it. This is a very enlightening competition and missing it would have been a disappointment. When I saw the question for this year, God knows I was so ecstatic especially with how it could help my country since 80% of Zimbabweans are poor. I took it upon myself to go for a small field research and asked the poor about goods and services they would want to see or improved on the market. Their main priority was health, education and accommodation. These are vital because they enhance people's quality of life. An educated, healthy workforce is needed for a country to develop. Good health and education will also improve the standards of living for the poor because it provides them with a brighter future. Unfortunately my enthusiasm was not met by the rest of my team mates. Only three people in my team participated but we did not let this take us back, we moved forward and pulled through.

With the three GEEBIZ competitions that I have taken part in, I feel like I have been to Germany, New Zealand, China, USA, Colombia even though I have never been out of Zimbabwe. GEEBIZ is a very informative competition. I talked to my faculty Dean so that this competition could be on our extra curriculum, but we encountered one drawback that is; the competition runs during our second semester break and most students do not have internet access at home. I have put it upon myself that as long as I'm still an undergraduate student I'm going to take part in this competition. This year's competition has encouraged me to write a project on profitable services that can be given to the poor. I was so happy to see that GEEBIZ noticed that the poor also need to be provided for in the supply chain. My wish is for the private sector to also emulate this. The competition reminded me that the poor also need to be supplied with basic goods and services at affordable prices. I feel so inspired and determined to bring change for the poor in my country.

I would like to recommend that if the proposals are found to be viable they should be undertaken on the ground. Even if it means they have to be given or undertaken by other people other than the team that wrote it because some have the possibility of bringing major change to people's lives. I would also like to recommend that in the next competition please, I think it would be more effective if team leaders are volunteers because

for this year our team leader was not committed .If someone volunteers, he/she will rest it upon themselves to be more committed and effective. Thank you very much for giving me an opportunity again in this year's competition. It was greatly appreciated.

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