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Since 2008, W.TEC has encouraged over 41,000 girls and women across Nigeria, to pursue STEM careers and supported women to use technology confidently to increase their economic power and ability to speak about issues affecting their lives.

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