

Bharat Telecom 2025 inaugurated

India set to lead the World in 6G: Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, Hon'ble Minister of Communications

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NEW DELHI, 6TH MAY, 2025: The Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council (TEPC), in collaboration with the Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communications, Government of India, successfully organised the 22nd Edition of Bharat Telecom – An Exclusive International Business Expo on 6th and 7th May, 2025 at Hotel Taj Palace, New Delhi.

The prestigious event was inaugurated by Hon'ble Minister of Communications, Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, in the presence of Dr. Chandra Sekhar Pemmasani, Hon'ble Minister of State for Communications; Shri Arnob Roy, Chairman TEPC & COO, Tejas Networks, in the presence of senior officials, global delegates and leading industry stakeholders.

In his inaugural address, Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia, Hon'ble Minister of Communications and Minister for Development of North Eastern Region, stated that India is poised to lead the world in 6G technology. "India followed the world on 4G; we walked with the world on 5G but India shall lead the world on 6G," he said.

Highlighting the transformational pace of India's digital infrastructure, the Minister noted that over 43 percent of broadband traffic in metro cities is now carried on 5G networks. He attributed this progress to substantial private sector investment and focused government policy.

According to the Minister, India's major telecom operators have invested close to \$50 billion over the past 21 months, resulting in what he described as the fastest 5G rollout in the world.

"India is not merely participating in the digital revolution. We are leading it, shaping it, and inspiring the world to follow," he said.

Dr. Chandra Sekhar Pemmasani, Hon'ble Minister of State for Rural Development and Communications, in his address, said that India today stands not merely as a market or consumer, but as a creator, partner, and trusted provider of world-class telecom solutions. Our transformation from a technology consumer to a technology creator within just a few years is the result of relentless hard work and forward-looking government policies under the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. The narrative has shifted from 'Made for India' to 'Made by India', the Minister stressed.

The government stands firmly with Indian startups and MSMEs, not just as a regulator but as an enabler and a proud supporter in India's telecom journey, he said adding that India's telecom journey is no longer about catching up, it is about setting the pace with trust, talent and technology at its core.

Shri Arnob Roy, Chairman of the Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council (TEPC), in his address, highlighted the remarkable growth and strength of India's telecom industry. He stated that India today boasts one of the largest and most well-developed telecom industries in the world, playing a pivotal role in enabling connectivity and digital transformation across the country.

He emphasized that optical fibre forms the backbone of India's telecom infrastructure, ensuring high-speed, reliable connectivity from urban centers to remote rural areas. This robust fibre network is a key enabler of the country's digital ambitions.

Shri Roy further noted that India has developed and deployed cutting-edge technology solutions across all major telecom categories, including 4G, 5G, and Open RAN (Radio Access Networks). These advancements position India not only as a major consumer of telecom technologies but also as a global hub for innovation, manufacturing, and export of next-generation telecom products.

Bharat Telecom 2025 was conceptualised to reinforce India's position as a reliable telecom manufacturing and export destination, by highlighting the country's growing capabilities in telecom equipment, ICT services and next-generation digital technologies. Over 100 leading Indian Telecom companies and 38 startups showcased innovative products and solutions across multiple domains.

Indian ICT exporters have Indian designs, IPRs and can provide end-to-end Digital Connectivity solutions to suit the requirements of the developing/ developed world. Therefore, TEPC has created this platform to bring potential buyers from across the globe to interact and finalise business deals through B2B meetings with quality telecom equipment/software manufacturers and ICT services solution providers from India. The event led to development of long-term business relations among the participants.

The event saw enthusiastic international participation, with more than 120 foreign delegates from over 35 countries, representing government bodies, private enterprises and trade associations. The platform enabled meaningful dialogue, B2B engagements and partnership opportunities between global buyers and Indian manufacturers.

The event featured thematic exhibitions, conference sessions, high-impact B2B meetings, strategic networking sessions and knowledge-sharing forums focusing on cutting-edge communication technologies such as 5G, Optical Fiber, Broadband Infrastructure, Satellite Communication, IoT, AI-driven Networks and more.

Bharat Telecom 2025 continues to support India's vision of becoming a global digital hub, aligning with the national agenda of self-reliance (Aatmanirbhar Bharat) and digital empowerment.

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About TEPC: Under the ambit of the Foreign Trade Policy, TEPC was established by the Government of India, during the year 2009, to promote and develop the export of telecom equipment and services.

The council's scope encompasses the entire telecom ecosystem including ICT hardware and software, Infrastructure products, service provision, system Integration & consultancy services. TEPC effectively caters to the diverse stakeholders within the telecom domain, including equipment manufacturers, system integrators, service providers and other relevant entities.

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