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# INTERNET ECONOMICS: Urban and Rural perspectives

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# "A BRIEF HISTORY OF TIME"

- STEPHEN HAWKING

## Journey of Internet in Bangladesh



### The scale of Internet subscribers in Bangladesh

**Subscribers** 



# Wireless future

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#### How Internet reaches the last mile in Bangladesh



Considering the cost points how can we try to Standardize the cost at the last mile?

## Lack of infrastructure limits economic growth at last mile



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RESULT

Development is always centered around **Metropolitan cities and Economic growth centers** which are facilitated with basic infrastructure, access to education, financial institutions and communication infrastructure

This means for other areas there is a

LACK of



Proper physical infrastructure reaching other rural areas

Educational institutions; as a result less qualified resource building options

High yielding economic activity

Financial infrastructure

Development

Interest for service providers to invest This is why Government can't decentralize

# A lot of people are flocking towards Urban cities while others are contributing to the Digital Divide;

From Regulatory perspectives network operators have a lot to do here...

## Our Regulatory Framework needs more support from us

#### URBAN



Create more Business friendly environment

Empowerment of Associations / Trade Bodies



Fair play







#### RURAL



Price protection for sustainability in market

Creating policies for Digital Inclusion

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Help Enforce law and build communities for better future

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## For better economics hack different stages of growth

	Stage-1	Stage-2	Stage-3
Subscribers	0 – 1,000 subs	1,001 – 10,000 subs	10,000+ subs
Bandwidth usage	Upto 500Mbps	Upto 10Gbps	Over 10Gbps
	Single PoP	2-10 PoP	Own Infrastructure and multiple PoP
Coverage	Locality	City	Multiple city (Urban and/or Rural)
Services	Residential broadband and some corporates and small scale FTP	Residential, Corporate, Small scale providers, FTP services, Gaming,	Residential, Corporate, Small providers, Cloud, Infrastructure, other VAS such as FTP Services, Gaming, Cyber Café, Hardware sales, PC repair, etc
Service optimization	Transit	Routing optimization, CDN	Peering, Multiple CDN, Cloud, Portal
Technology	Ethernet	Ethernet, GPON	Ethernet, GPON and yes Legacy tech such as P2P Radio's!!!
Staff	3-10	11-100	100+

# Why can't we grow above Stage-3

- Low education
- Lack of vision
- Lack of educated personnel
- Lack of Business analysis capability
- Meagre investment (din ani din khai)
- Basic Internet barely satisfies the needs of the customers. We need access to international content as well
  as create proper localized Content
- We use FB, Youtube and recently live TV is catching up as a trend which make up 90% of our user base
- Dark content being served as an alternative to facilitate demand
- This is where there is room for investment and growth. Businesses can see potentially positive revenues from such sector.
- Foreign organizations are bringing their focus here.

#### Big Data is the way to grow by consumer data behavior analysis

#### Traffic usage pattern (Time of day, Weekend, Holidays)

Types of traffic being used

What are these traffic entities

Routes being taken by such traffic

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#### How you are connected to these routes

What more you can do to optimize these routes

Cost factors involved for optimization (at times you don't)

Can you bring in such content and cache them

Plan on how you can offer similar services

Are there any regulatory constraints

Customer charging and packages

Better service brings better yield

Happy customer is willing to pay more

More Revenue = More Growth options

#### Which is better: Transit vs Peering vs CDN

- **Transit:** Start small and don't have in-depth analysis capability (Stage-1).
- **Peering:** Once you have grown to a level (talking about having multiple Gbps of traffic), optimize your costs by connecting other SP's offering more routes (Stage-2).
- **CDN:** After a certain level you will realize Peering is not enough, and you will need multiple dedicated CDN to enhance customer experience and drive traffic (Stage-3).

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#### **Transit and Peering** bottlenecks + complexities

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Routing | Capacity Limits | Path Limits

## Shifting Economic Trends of the Industry

- **10Gb Ethernet** is becoming mainstream; **100GbE** will be accessible in few years
- Neutrality rulings in US and EU
  - Highly varying benefits and downside between US and EU
  - Fight with the big boys, bringing benefits to us
  - China has secured its own position within this
- The "dumb" pipes problem: Transport and IP services increasingly commoditized
- Resultantly; the global IP Transit market compresses 16- 18% per year, depending on region
- Movements to Private Data Center / Cloud Interconnection
- Massive improvements in measurement and monitoring traffic
- Content providers are willing to take content experience to new levels
- Customers looking for rich, yet simple / seamless service experience
- Innovation is fueling the Tech disruption

#### Human beings – EVOLVING!

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Over the years Mankind has evolved Our needs have evolved too

# IS IT TIME TO BRING A DISRUPTIVE PRODUCT / SERVICE $\mathsf{IN}$ BANGLADESH?

# How to design a disruptive product / service

"If you design first and think later, you may be left with the tower of Pisa." – Famous quote

# UNDERSTANDING

- Customer demand
- Technology trend
- Market development
- Infrastructure (available and required)
- Purchasing Capacity of people
- Service mindset
- Innovation

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# And the most essential ingredient WON FACTOR

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Case study reference : IDC; Gartner; Researchgate.net; Case Center;

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