

Role of NaaS in 5G era

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4G vs 5G – What is the difference?



The average consumer projection was to consume 11 GB of data per month on their smartphone in 2022

However, India is consuming 19 GB of data per user per month (~70% higher)

5G – User Centric Network & Applications



Network Strategy to support 5G

Key Requirement: Increase the density of sites and the % of fiberization



- Use Of E band radio
- PMP with 14.4 Gbps
- FSO to support faster deployment and delay fiberization

Objectives & Expectation from Partners/Stakeholders



Expectation

- Policy to support infra building rather than earning from infra buildout
- Promote sharing, for public convenience and aesthetic beauty of cities End objective
- Sharing amongst operators will bring down the TCO and hence better quality and more reliable networks can be delivered

Deployment Model

Current network deployment models have critical shortcomings which prevent them from scaling to meet the emerging demands for dense urban infrastructure



To accelerate network rollout in dense urban, a new kind of shared, light footprint, future proof & commercially attractive infrastructure solution is required for microsites/small cells

Importance of Small Cells

What are Small Cells

- Small Cells are low power, Wireless Transmission systems which cover a small geographical area for indoor/outdoor uses
- They occupy less space & cost much lesser than the traditional Macro Site
- In a 4G network, small cells were used to address the ever-increasing capacity requirements, as densification of networks in urban areas or in enterprises in large buildings began to take place.
- In 5G Networks Small Cells will be used for
 - Increasing capacity and delivering gigabit performance
 - Smartphones/IoT devices & sensors
 - Automobiles
 - Lower latency application like VR/AR

CloudExtel is one of the largest small cell host in India

All the 4135 Sites can be upgraded to 5G infrastructure

What is Shared RAN & comparison to Stand alone Operator Model

Infrastructure	Traditional Model – macro	Shared Model
Tower / pole, BTS shelter	Partially Shared*	Shared
Power supply	Shared	Shared
Battery bank, Invertors	Shared	Shared
Antenna	Not shared	Shared
Backhaul	Not shared	Shared
BTS	Not shared	Shared
Spectrum	Not shared	Not shared

* Site Rental agreements in South Mumbai even through Tower Companies do not yield full sharing benefit on space

Advantages of a Neutral Host

Reduction in site footprint

 Limited space and power along the corridor required for hosting of multiple operators, thus reducing duplication of infrastructure

Equal Quality of Service across operators

- With equipment owned and managed by a third party, all carriers are on a level playing field
 Lower Cost
- Reduction in Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) and thus enabling a win-win business model amongst all entities

Limited O&M

 Site visit required on the corridor platform and tracks is minimal, and limited to only the neutral host team, not individual operators

Sharing benefits

Increased site addressability

Simplified O&M

Cloud based architecture

CE had partnered with RailTel for Phase 1 deployment on corridor from Churchgate to Dadar, the highest traffic transit corridor in the country

Phase 1 Route: Churchgate To Dadar

- Churchgate to Dadar Train route distance is ~11.1KM, with 9 stations
- Major Railway stations with huge passenger movement of more 1,50,000 commuters during each peak hour
- High visibility area
- Very poor 4G Coverage & Quality of experience
 - In particular, downlink throughput minimal on platform
- First step in larger deployment plans
 - Expand to rest of the network of 150 stations (142 operational)

Mumbai Central Station – POC successfully deployed on 2nd April 2022



Network Architecture



CE MMCT Site Images

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User Experience



CloudExtel – India's first Full Stack Network as a Service (NaaS) Provider

Vision Statement

CloudExtel will lead the next paradigm shift in network deployment towards emerging technologies and models that enable our customers to deliver the most efficient augmentation of data capacity & coverage

Principles that guide our business:

- Enable our customers to deliver services to their end users at the most critical points of network stress
- Deploy in the most scalable, differentiated and economically efficient way, yielding substantial cost reduction and investment optimization
- Scale as a neutral specialist offering full stack sharing to address points where self-deployment economics are not feasible
- Drive adoption of heterogenous and multi-use networks based on principals & technologies from software and cloud platforms for combatting data consumption explosion and emerging 5G architecture

CloudExtel Flywheel

CloudExtel's focus on excellence, customer centricity & innovation have led us to build processes that are highly scalable and deliver the best services to our customers

- Identify customers' challenge areas in network expansion & QoS
- Develop and launch new services
- Leverage strong foundation in South Mumbai to establish product market fit and operating economics
- Refine best practices & systems to replicate and scale in other geographies
- In each geography, leverage operational setup for additional new services
- Build profitably on service standalone basis; synergies across businesses lead to scale and cost optimization rapidly
- Yields win-win on go-to-market with telco customers
- Reinforces trust with customers, leading to new opportunities



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CE – Benefits of Shared RAN solution

Advantages of Neutral host Shared RAN

- Reduction in site footprint
 - Limited space and power needed for hosting multiple operators, reducing duplication of infra
 - o Environmental benefits
 - Reduces energy consumption
 - Reduces excess cabling and trays / ducts
 - Mitigate citizen's concern over radiation
- Upgradeable to the next generation of technology 5G
- Lower Cost
 - Reduction in Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) and thus enabling a win-win business model amongst all entities
- Scalability and architecture upgradability