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1. Introduction

TRAI Act, 1997 mandates the Authority to ensure the services delivered through various telecommunications networks meet the required quality standards prescribed, to protect the interest of the consumers of telecommunication services. TRAI is also responsible for conducting the periodical audit of such services provided by the service providers so as to protect the interests of the consumers of telecommunications services.

Accordingly, TRAI has engaged M/s RedMango Analytics Pvt. Ltd. to undertake assessment of Quality of Service of mobile service through Independent Drive Test (IDT).

In IDT, the performance of all service providers providing service in a Licensed Service Area (LSA) through various technologies (like 2G/ 3G/ 4G/ 5G) for voice and data are measured by conducting drive test. The drive test routes are finalised based on various objective criteria like reported network performance, consumer complaints etc. Methodology adopted for conducting IDT is elaborated in **APPENDIX-I**.

2. Executive Summary (LSA)

2.1 Drive test details

This report covers the findings of the IDT undertaken in Andhra Pradesh License Service Area (LSA) during the month of September-2025 under the supervision of TRAI Regional Office (RO) Hyderabad. Details of route / area covered during the IDT are as given below:

S. No	Drive test route	Type of route	Distance covered (KMs)	From date	To date
1	Visakhapatnam to Vijayawada	Highway	363.2	4-Sept-2025	4-Sept-2025
2	Hyderabad to Visakhapatnam	Railway	695.7	3-Sept-2025	3-Sept-2025

Table-1: Drive test summary

2.2 Drive test routes

The map provides overview of drive test routes indicating highway drive and railway drive as per the legends shown on the map.

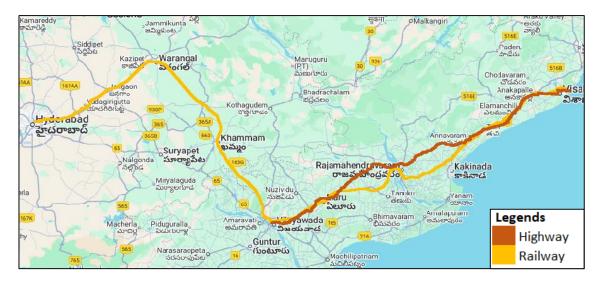


Figure-1: Drive test routes

2.3 Summary of areas covered

a) Highway-

Visakhapatnam to Vijayawada passing through kasimkota, Regupalem, Nakkapalli, Prathipadu, Rajanagaram, Dubacheria, Hanuman Junction, Gannavaram and Ramavarapadu etc.

b) Railway-

Hyderabad to Visakhapatnam passing through Pagidipalli, Warangal, Khammam, Motumari, Vijayawada, Eluru, Rajahmundry, Timmapuram and Samalkot etc.

2.4 Telecom service providers detected frequency bands

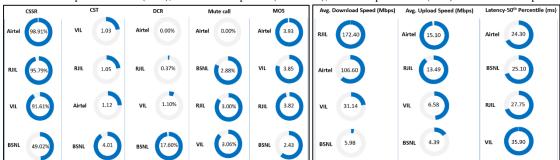
Technologies covered during the IDT and frequency bands in use are summarised in table below:

S.no.	Name of TSP	Technology	Frequency Bands (In MHz)
1	Bharti Airtel Ltd.	2G	900,1800
2	Bharti Airtel Ltd.	4G	900,1800,2300
3	Bharti Airtel Ltd.	5G	3500
4	BSNL	2G	900
5	BSNL	3G	2100
6	BSNL	4G	700,2100,2500
7	Reliance JIO Infocomm Ltd.	4G	850,1800,2300
8	Reliance JIO Infocomm Ltd.	5G	700,3500
9	Vodafone Idea Ltd.	2G	900
10	Vodafone Idea Ltd.	4G	900,1800,2100,2500
11	Vodafone Idea Ltd.	5G	3500

Table-2: Telecom service provider (TSP) covered in IDT

2.5 Performance against key QoS parameters

CSSR: Call Setup Success Rate (in %), CST: Call Setup Time (in seconds), DCR: Drop Call Rate (in %) & MOS: Mean Opinion Score.



Summary-Voice services

Call Setup Success Rate: Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL have 98.91%, 49.02%, 95.79% and 91.61%, call setup success rate respectively in Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G).

Call Setup Time: Airtel, BSNL, RJIL & VIL have call setup time of 1.12, 4.01, 1.05 and 1.03 seconds respectively in Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)

Drop Call Rate: Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL have drop call rate of 0.00%, 17.60%, 0.37% and 1.10% respectively in Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G).

Call Silence/Mute Rate: Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL have silence call rate of 0.00%, 2.88%, 3.00% and 3.06% respectively in packet switched network (4G/5G).

Mean Opinion Score (MOS): Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL have average MOS of 3.93, 2.43, 3.82 and 3.85 respectively.

Summary-Data services

Data Download performance (Overall): Average download speed of Airtel (5G/4G/2G) is 106.60 Mbps, BSNL (4G/3G/2G) is 5.98 Mbps, RJIL (5G/4G) is 172.40 Mbps and VIL (5G/4G/2G) is 31.14 Mbps.

DataUploadperformance(Overall):Average upload speed of Airtel (5G/4G/2G) is15.10 Mbps, BSNL (4G/3G/2G) is 4.39 Mbps,RJIL (5G/4G) is 13.49 Mbps and VIL (5G/4G/2G) is 6.58 Mbps.

Latency (Overall): Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL 50th percentile latency is 24.30 ms, 25.10 ms, 27.75 ms, 35.90 ms.

QoS Performance Analysis-Andhra Pradesh LSA

3. QoS performance analysis-LSA level

3.1 Overview

This section provides summary of overall QoS performance of the telecom service provider's network in the LSA by aggregating the results of drive tests conducted in the LSA during the month of September-2025 covering highway and railway. (Refer Table 1)

3.2 Voice performance

(a) Voice Call Performance in 3G/2G network mode only: 3G/2G network mode testing has been done to reflect experience for respective users as they have only 3G/2G compatible handsets.

	Service Provider					
Parameters	Parameters 3G/2G network mode only					
	AIRTEL	AIRTEL BSNL VIL				
Call Attempts	112	116	114			
Call Setup Success Rate %	100.00	98.28	98.25			
Drop Call Rate %	1.79	7.89	1.79			
Call Setup Time-Average (Second)	3.08	3.92	3.43			
Handover Success Rate %	97.39	96.50	96.92			

Table-3: Summary of voice call performance in 3G/2G network mode only.

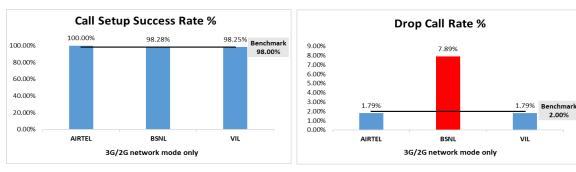


Figure-2: Call setup success rate and drop call rate performance.

Number of unique cell Id's covered in Voice test- Technology wise				
Service Provider				
Technology	3G/2G network mode only			
	AIRTEL	BSNL	VIL	
3G	NA 1 N			
2G 432 245 280				

Table-4: Technology wise number of network cell Id's latched during drive test.

Note-

- RJIL does not have 3G/2G network.
- NA- Service provider doesn't provide services in respective technology.

(b) Voice Call Performance in auto network selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)

	Service Provider					
Parameters	Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)					
	AIRTEL BSNL RJIL VIL					
Call Attempts	275	510	285	298		
Call Setup Success Rate %	98.91	49.02	95.79	91.61		
Drop Call Rate %	0.00	17.60	0.37	1.10		
Call Setup Time-Average (Second)	1.12	4.01	1.05	1.03		
Handover Success Rate %	99.94	97.97	99.88	99.84		

Table-5: Summary of voice call performance in network auto-selection mode.

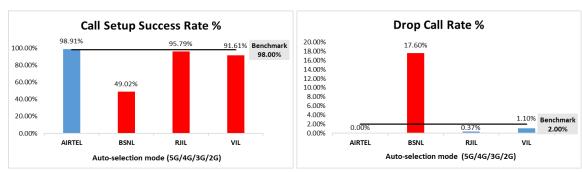


Figure-3: Performance for call setup success rate and drop call rate.

	Service Provider Mobile-to-Mobile				
Parameter					
	(5G/4G - O	<u>pen moae)</u>		
	AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL	
Call Established (within service provider Network)	98	139	100	98	
Number of silence call for >4 Sec	0	4	3	3	
Silence Call Rate %	0.00	2.88	3.00	3.06	
Number of silence instances for >4 Sec	0	5	3	3	
Number of silence instances for >3 Sec	5	8	6	6	
Number of silence instances for >2 sec	20	17	24	16	
RTP Jitter (4G & 5G) in ms	4.77	4.71	12.52	14.11	
Packet loss Rate Downlink %	0.75	10.58	0.85	1.01	
Packet loss Rate Uplink %	1.30	7.50	1.37	1.07	

Table-6: Summary of silence instances & packet loss rate for mobile to mobile calls.

Number of unique cell Id's covered in Voice test- Technology wise							
	Service Provider						
Technology	Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G						
	AIRTEL	AIRTEL BSNL RJIL VIL					
5G	0	0 NA 749					
4G	2232 281 1999 1472						
3G	NA 34 NA NA						
2G	0 525 NA 121						

Table-7: Technology wise number of network cell Id's latched during drive test.

Note:

- NA- Service provider doesn't provide services in respective technology.
- 0- No cell Id's were found in respective technology.

(c) Mean Opinion Score (MOS) performance for speech quality:

Mean opinion score indicates quality of speech observed during the drive test across different technologies. This parameter has been calculated for mobile-to-mobile calls made within same operator network in auto mode (5G/4G/3G/2G). As per ITU-T Recommendation P.863.1, MOS values means: 5-Excellent, 4-Good, 3-Fair, 2-Poor, 1-Bad.

Speech Quality (MOS) distribution	Service Provider				
Speech Quanty (MOS) distribution	AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL	
Total Number of MOS Samples for calls table-6	1200	1146	1181	1211	
Speech Quality (Average MOS)	3.93	2.43	3.82	3.85	
Number of samples with MOS >=4 to <5 (Excellent)	924	10	745	768	
Number of samples with MOS >= 3 to <4 (Good)	213	157	339	353	
Number of samples with MOS >= 2 to <3 (Fair)	33	745	61	52	
Number of samples with MOS >=1 to <2 (Poor)	30	234	36	38	
%age of samples with MOS >=4 to <5 (Excellent)	77.00%	0.87%	63.08%	63.42%	
%age of samples with MOS >=3 to <4 (Good)	17.75%	13.70%	28.70%	29.15%	
%age of samples with MOS >=2 to <3 (Fair)	2.75%	65.01%	5.17%	4.29%	
%age of samples with MOS >=1 to <2 (Poor)	2.50%	20.42%	3.05%	3.14%	

Table-8: Summary of speech quality (MOS) samples.

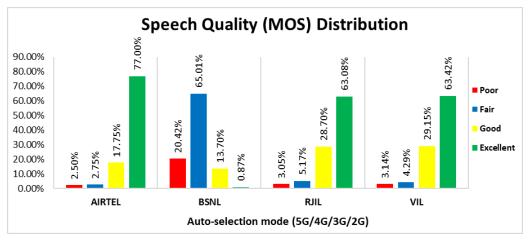


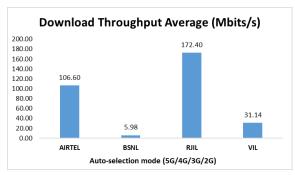
Figure-4: Distribution of samples in MOS range.

3.3 Data performance

(a) Data Parameters (Auto-selection mode- 5G/4G/3G/2G)

Parameters		Service Provider			
		Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)			
		AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL
Davidand Thursdanit	Average	106.60	5.98	172.40	31.14
Download Throughput (Mbits/s)	80th Percentile	180.13	8.63	331.45	41.90
(MBRS/S)	20th Percentile	10.20	1.92	9.91	8.43
Unload Throughput	Average	15.10	4.39	13.49	6.58
Upload Throughput (Mbits/s)	80th Percentile	22.92	7.33	22.66	8.80
(Mbits/s)	20th Percentile	2.61	1.36	2.20	1.96
Latency (ms)	50th Percentile	24.30	25.10	27.75	35.90

Table-9: Summary of data performance in network auto-selection mode.



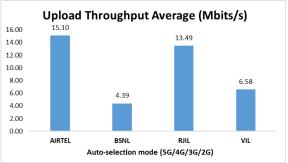


Figure- 5: Download and Upload throughput

Number of unique cell Id's covered in Data test- Technology wise								
	Service Provider							
Technology	Auto-s	election mode	(5G/4G/3G	/2G)				
	AIRTEL	AIRTEL BSNL RJIL VI						
5G	0	NA	1575	0				
4G	2208	697	965	1782				
3 G	NA	48	NA	NA				
2G	1	248	NA	71				

Table-10: Technology wise number of network cell Id's latched during drive test.

Note-

- NA- Service provider doesn't provide services in respective technology.
- 0- No cell Id's were found in respective technology.

Detailed QoS Performance Analysis

4. Detailed QoS performance analysis

4.1 Overview

This section covers analysis on performance of various categories of drives like highway and railway for all telecom service providers, the results of drive tests conducted are shown individually for respective areas/locations.

4.2 Highway

Drive test has been conducted on 4th September 2025 covering one highway route. (Refer Table-1)

4.2.1 Drive test route



Figure- 6: Drive test routes

4.2.2 Areas covered

Visakhapatnam to Vijayawada passing through kasimkota, Regupalem, Nakkapalli, Prathipadu, Rajanagaram, Dubacheria, Hanuman Junction, Gannavaram and Ramavarapadu etc.

4.2.3 Voice performance

(a) Voice Call Performance in 3G/2G network mode only: 3G/2G network mode testing has been done to reflect experience for respective users as they have only 3G/2G compatible handsets.

	9	Service Provider				
Parameters	3G/2G network mode only					
	AIRTEL	BSNL	VIL			
Call Attempts	112	116	114			
Call Setup Success Rate %	100.00	98.28	98.25			
Drop Call Rate %	1.79	7.89	1.79			
Call Setup Time-Average (Second)	3.08	3.92	3.43			
Handover Success Rate %	97.39	96.50	96.92			

Table-11: Summary of voice call performance in 3G/2G network mode only.

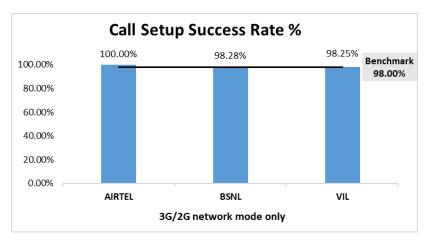


Figure-7: Performance for call setup success rate.

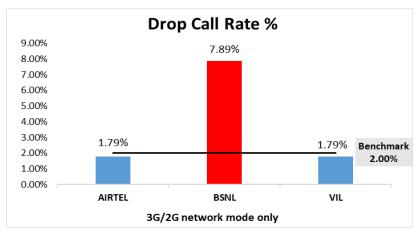


Figure-8: Performance for drop call rate.

(b) Network Technology: This section represent time spent on various network technologies.

Tachnalagu	Service Provider			
Technology	AIRTEL	BSNL	VIL	
3G	NA	0.28%	NA	
2G	100.00%	99.56%	99.95%	
Limited Service	0.00%	0.15%	0.05%	

Table-12: Time spent on technology during drive test 3G/2G network mode.

Note-

• NA- Service provider doesn't provide services in respective technology.



Figure-9: Serving technology plots 3G/2G network mode - AIRTEL



Figure-10: Serving technology plots 3G/2G network mode -BSNL.



Figure-11: Serving technology plots 3G/2G network mode -VIL.

(c) Network Signal Strength Distribution: The following chart represents signal strength distribution for 3G/2G network mode only. (Refer figure- 32, 33 & 34 for map view)

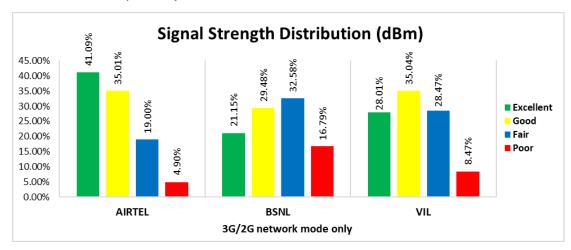


Figure-12: Signal strength distribution 3G/2G network mode only.

Observations:

- Airtel has 41% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- BSNL has 21% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- VIL has 28% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.

(d) Voice Call Performance in auto network selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)

	Service Provider Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)				
Parameters					
	AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL	
Call Attempts	114	123	121	122	
Call Setup Success Rate %	100.00	94.31	92.56	94.26	
Drop Call Rate %	0.00	7.76	0.00	0.00	
Call Setup Time Average (Second)	1.01	3.13	0.97	0.68	
Handover Success Rate %	100.00 96.12 99.84 99.9				

Table-13: Summary of voice call performance in network auto-selection mode.

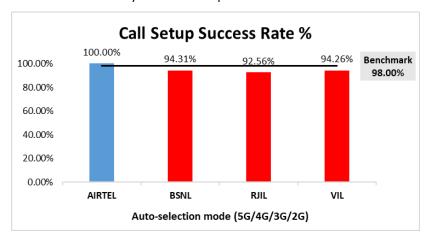


Figure-13: Performance for call setup success rate.

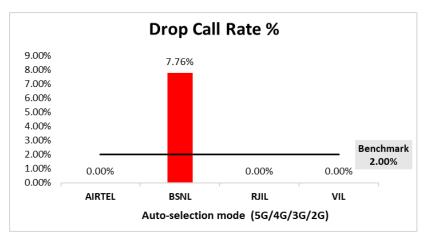


Figure-14: Performance for drop call rate.

	S	ervice P	rovider		
Parameter	Mobile-to-Mobile (5G/4G - Open Mode)				
	AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL	
Call Established (within service provider Network)	98	139	100	98	
Number of silence call for >4 Sec	0	4	3	3	
Silence Call Rate %	0.00	2.88	3.00	3.06	
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Table-15: Summary of speech quality (MOS) samples.

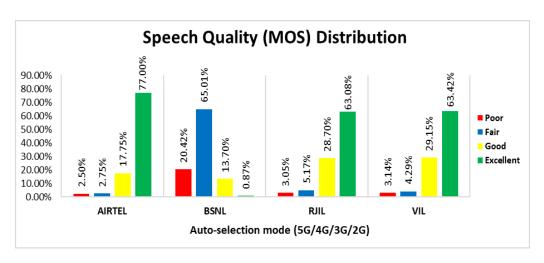


Figure-15: Distribution of samples in MOS range.

(f) Network Technology: This section represents time spent on various network technologies.

Tachmalagu		Service Provider				
Technology	AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL		
5G	0.86%	NA	71.94%	0.82%		
4G	99.14%	23.16%	28.06%	95.03%		
3G	NA	0.06%	NA	NA		
2G	0.00%	76.74%	NA	4.15%		
Limited Service	0.00%	0.04%	0.00%	0.00%		

Table-16: Time spent on technology during drive test.

Note-

NA- Service provider doesn't provide services in respective technology.

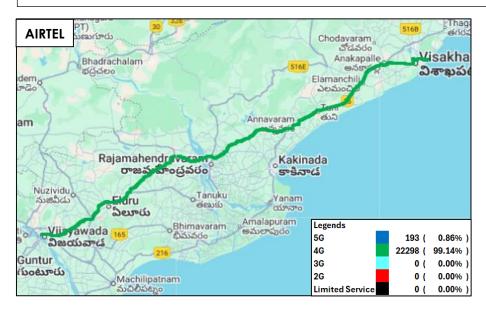


Figure-16: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) -AIRTEL.

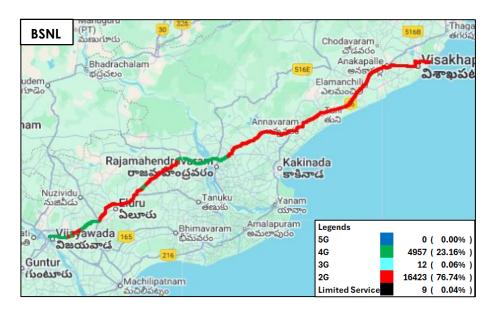


Figure-17: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) -BSNL.



Figure-18: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)- RJIL.

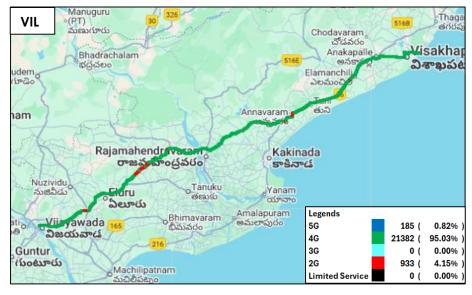


Figure-19: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) - VIL

(g) Network Signal Strength Distribution: The following chart provides signal strength distribution for auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G). (Refer figure-35, 36, 37 & 38 for map view)

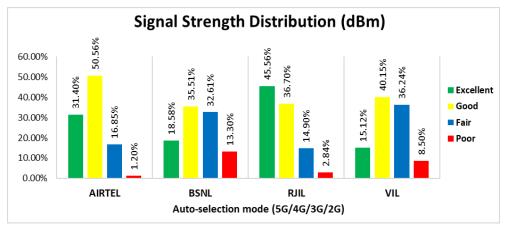


Figure-20: Signal strength distribution auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G.

Observations:

- Airtel has 31% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- BSNL has 19% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- RJIL has 46% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- VIL has 15% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.

4.2.4 Data performance

(a) Data Parameters (Auto-selection mode- 5G/4G/3G/2G)

Parameters		Service Provider Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)			
		Download Thursdahaut	Average	165.40	6.30
Download Throughput (Mbits/s)	80th Percentile	250.54	9.27	451.43	55.21
(HBR3/3)	20th Percentile	57.42	2.10	53.30	12.26
Halaad Thuanahand	Average	21.99	5.01	18.75	8.42
Upload Throughput (Mbits/s)	80th Percentile	37.35	8.71	33.49	11.49
(110103/3)	20th Percentile	3.85	1.49	2.71	2.32
Latency (ms)	50th Percentile	22.60	24.00	22.55	37.70

Table-17: Summary of Data performance in network auto-selection mode.

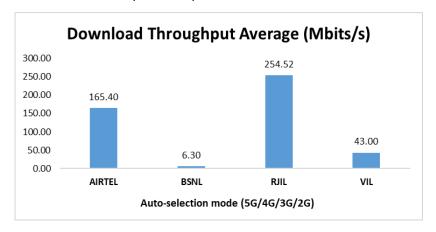


Figure- 21: Download throughput

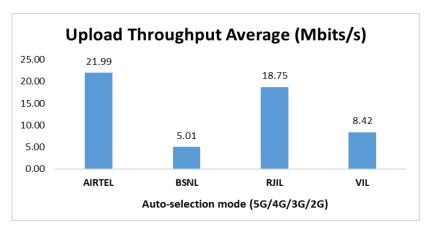


Figure- 22: Upload throughput

4.3 Railway

Drive test has been conducted on 3rd September 2025 covering one railway route. (Refer Table-1)

4.3.1 Drive test route

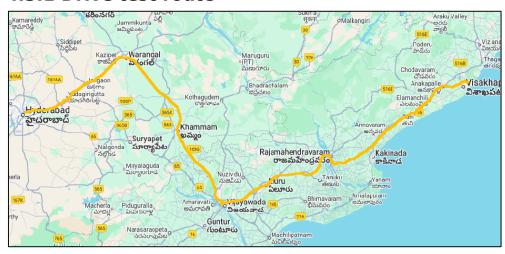


Figure-23: Drive test route railway.

4.3.2 Routes Covered

Hyderabad to Visakhapatnam passing through Pagidipalli, Warangal, Khammam, Motumari, Vijayawada, Eluru, Rajahmundry, Timmapuram and Samalkot etc.

4.3.3 Voice performance

(a) Voice Call Performance in auto network selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)

		Service	Provider	
Parameters	Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)			
	AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL
Call Attempts	161	387	164	176
Call Setup Success Rate %	98.14	34.63	98.17	89.77
Drop Call Rate %	0.00	26.12	0.62	1.90
Call Setup Time Average (Second)	1.20	4.80	1.11	1.29
Handover Success Rate %	99.91	99.30	99.90	99.77

Table-18: Summary of voice call performance in network auto-selection mode.

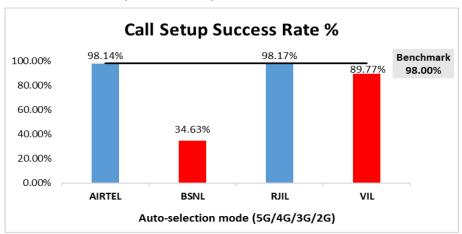


Figure-24: Performance for call setup success rate.

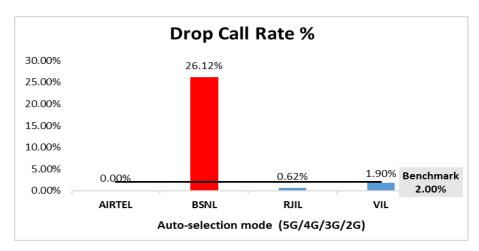


Figure-25: Performance for drop call rate.

(b) Network Technology: This section represents time spent on various network technologies.

Tachnology		Service Provider				
Technology	AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL		
5G	0.28%	NA	21.47%	0.04%		
4G	99.58%	11.20%	78.53%	84.64%		
3G	NA	10.32%	NA	NA		
2G	0.00%	73.94%	NA	15.29%		
Limited Service	0.13%	4.54%	0.00%	0.03%		

Table-19: Time spent on technology during drive test.

Note-

• NA- Service provider doesn't provide services in respective technology.

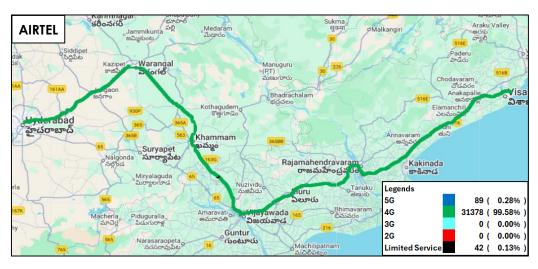


Figure-26: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)-AIRTEL.



Figure-27: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)-BSNL.



Figure-28: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G)-RJIL.



Figure-29: Serving technology plots in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) -VIL

(c) Network Signal Strength Distribution: The following chart provides signal strength distribution for auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G). (Refer figure-39, 40, 41 & 42 for map view)

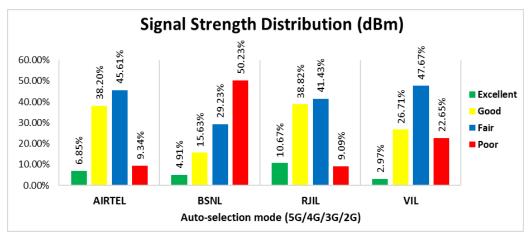


Figure-30: Signal strength distribution auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G.

Observations:

- Airtel has 7% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- BSNL has 5% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- RJIL has 11% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.
- VIL has 3% of samples falling in the excellent signal strength category.

4.3.4 Data performance

(a) Data Parameters (Auto-selection mode- 5G/4G/3G/2G)

			Service F	Provider		
Parameters		Auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G				
		AIRTEL	BSNL	RJIL	VIL	
	Average	63.89	5.63	111.95	22.07	
Download Throughput (Mbits/s)	80th Percentile	104.66	8.27	219.93	32.63	
(MDICS/S)	20th Percentile	2.60	1.86	4.31	6.76	
the land There were the second	Average	10.15	3.76	9.58	5.15	
Upload Throughput (Mbits/s)	80th Percentile	13.01	6.20	15.84	7.67	
	20th Percentile	2.07	1.34	1.81	1.74	
Latency (ms)	50th Percentile	26.40	26.60	32.40	30.50	

Table-20: Summary of Data performance in network auto-selection mode.

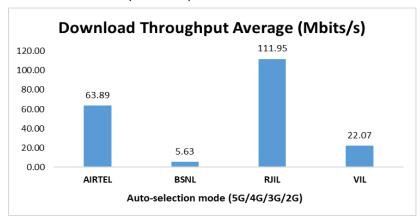


Figure- 31: Download throughput

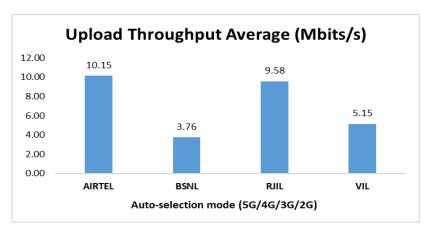


Figure- 31: Download throughput

5. Voice & Data Key findings

5.1 Overall Voice

1. Call Setup Success Rate:

- a) Airtel, BSNL and VIL have 100.00%, 98.28% and 98.25% call setup success rate respectively in 3G/2G network mode. (refer table-3)
- b) Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL have 98.91%, 49.02%, 95.79% and 91.61% call setup success rate respectively in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G). (refer table-5)

2. Call Setup Time:

- a) Airtel, BSNL and VIL call setup time is 3.08, 3.92 and 3.43 seconds respectively in 3G/2G network mode. (refer table-3)
- b) Airtel, BSNL, RJIL & VIL call setup time is 1.12, 4.01, 1.05 & 1.03 seconds respectively in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G). (refer table-5)
- **3. Call Silence/Mute Rate**: In packet switched network (4G/5G) VIL, RJIL, BSNL and Airtel have 3.06%, 3.00%, 2.88%, 0.00% silence call rate respectively. Further BSNL has higher RTP packet loss rate in downlink (10.58%) compared to VIL (1.01%), RJIL (0.85%) and Airtel (0.75%). In uplink the RTP packet loss rate is higher for BSNL (7.50%) compared to RJIL (1.37%), Airtel (1.30%) and VIL (1.07). (refer table-6)

4. Drop Call Rate:

- a) Airtel, BSNL and VIL drop call rate is 1.79%, 7.89% and 1.79% respectively in 3G/2G network mode. (refer table-3)
- b) Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL drop call rate is 0.00%, 17.60%, 0.37% and 1.10% respectively in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G). (refer table-5)

5.2 Overall Data

1. Data download and upload performance (Overall i.e. LSA):

- a) Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL average download speeds are 106.60 Mbps, 5.98 Mbps, 172.40 Mbps and 31.14 Mbps respectively. (refer table-9)
- b) Airtel, BSNL, RJIL and VIL average upload speeds are 15.10 Mbps, 4.39 Mbps, 13.49 Mbps and 6.58 Mbps respectively. (refer table-9)

5.3 Operator wise Key Findings

1. Airtel:

Voice

- 100.00% call setup success rate and 1.79% drop call rate have been observed in 3G/2G network mode for LSA/highway drive. Performance is well within the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-3 & 11)
- 98.91% call setup success rate and 0.00% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for LSA. Performance is well within the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-5)
- 100.00% call setup success rate and 0.00% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for highway drive. Performance is well within the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively (refer table-13)

• 98.14% call setup success rate and 0.00% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for railway drive. Performance is well within the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-18)

Data

- Airtel has 106.60 Mbps average download speed & 15.10 Mbps average upload speed for LSA. (refer table-9)
- Airtel has 165.40 Mbps average download speed & 21.99 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for highway drive. (refer table-17)
- Airtel has 63.89 Mbps average download speed & 10.15 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for railway drive. (refer table-20)

2. BSNL:

Voice

- 98.28% call setup success rate and 7.89% drop call rate have been observed in 3G/2G network mode for LSA/highway drive. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 2.00% for drop call rate. (refer table-3 and 11)
- 49.02% call setup success rate and 17.60% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for LSA. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-5)
- 94.31% call setup success rate and 7.76% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for highway drive. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-13)
- 34.63% call setup success rate and 26.12% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for railway drive. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-18)

Data

- BSNL has 5.98 Mbps average download speed & 4.39 Mbps average upload speed for LSA. (refer table-9)
- BSNL has 6.30 Mbps average download speed & 5.01 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for highway drive. (refer table-17)
- BSNL has 5.63 Mbps average download speed & 3.76 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for railway drive. (refer table-20)

3. RJIL:

Voice

- 95.79% call setup success rate and 0.37% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for LSA. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% for call setup success rate. (refer table-5)
- 92.56% call setup success rate and 0.00% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for highway drive. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% for call setup success rate. (refer table-13)
- 98.17% call setup success rate and 0.62% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for railway drive. Performance is well within the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-18)

Data

- RJIL has 172.40 Mbps average download speed & 13.49 Mbps average upload speed for LSA. (refer table-9)
- RJIL has 254.52 Mbps average download speed & 18.75 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for highway drive. (refer table-17)
- RJIL has 111.95 Mbps average download speed & 9.58 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for railway drive. (refer table-20)

4. VIL:

Voice

- 98.25% call setup success rate and 1.79% drop call rate have been observed in 3G/2G network mode for LSA/highway drive. Performance is well within the benchmark of 98.00% & 2.00% respectively. (refer table-3 & 11)
- 91.61% call setup success rate and 1.10% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for LSA. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% for call setup success rate. (refer table-5)
- 94.26% call setup success rate and 0.00% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for highway drive. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% for call setup success rate. (refer table-13)
- 89.77% call setup success rate and 1.90% drop call rate have been observed in auto-selection mode (5G/4G/3G/2G) for railway drive. Performance is not meeting the benchmark of 98.00% for call setup success rate. (refer table-18)

Data

- VIL has 31.14 Mbps average download speed & 6.58 Mbps average upload speed for LSA. (refer table-9)
- VIL has 43.00 Mbps average download speed & 8.42 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for highway drive. (refer table-17)
- VIL has 22.07 Mbps average download speed & 5.15 Mbps average upload speed across the measured routes for railway drive. (refer table-20)

6. Annexure

6.1 Route wise coverage map

6.1.1 Highway

i) Visakhapatnam to Vijayawada

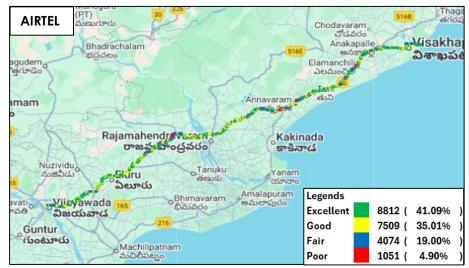


Figure-32: Signal strength 3G/2G network mode - AIRTEL.

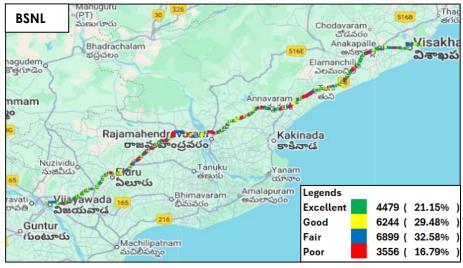


Figure-33: Signal strength 3G/2G network mode - BSNL.



Figure-34: Signal strength 3G/2G network mode - VIL.

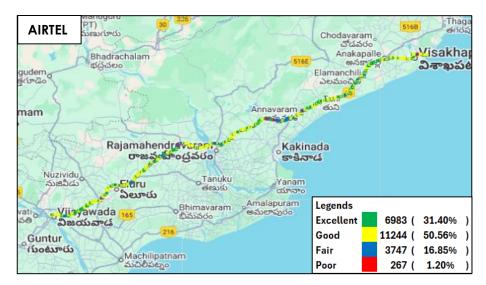


Figure-35: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G - AIRTEL.

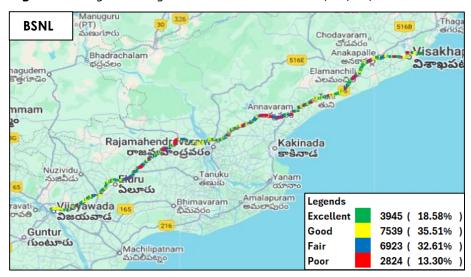


Figure-36: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G - BSNL.



Figure-37: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G - RJIL.

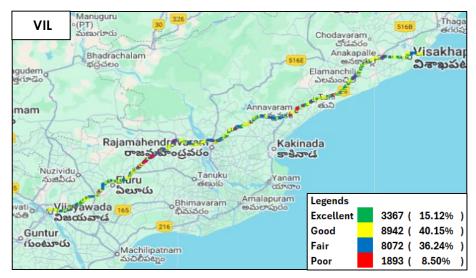


Figure-38: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G - VIL.

6.1.2 Railway

i) Hyderabad to Visakhapatnam



Figure-39: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G -AIRTEL



Figure-40: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G -BSNL

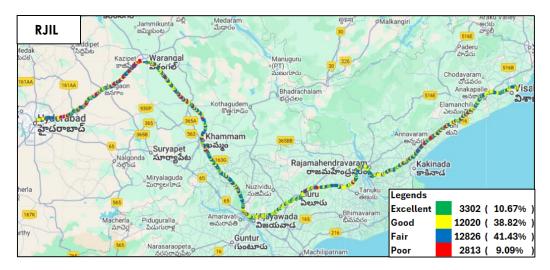


Figure-41: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G -RJIL.



Figure-42: Signal strength auto-selection mode 5G/4G/3G/2G -VIL

7. Appendix

The details of the setup used for conducting the drive test and the network or performance parameters captured under different conditions may be seen at Appendix-I. The calculation method of each QoS parameter is given in Appendix-II of the report. The summary of key equipment used in technical setup is as under

- **Device-1**: OnePlus Nord CE3 for 3G/2G CAT-15 Smartphone.
- **Device-2**: Samsung Galaxy S23 for 5G/4G/3G/2G CAT-20 Smartphone
- **Drive test Software**: Azenqos Engineering capable Applications to capture actual user experience.

7.1 Appendix-I

7.1.1 Drive test setup

Voice Call				
Call details	Detail			
Call Setup Timeout	• 3G/2G auto mode- switch Call	30 Sec		
Call Duration	• 5G/4G/3G/2G auto mode- switch Call	180 Sec		
Wait/ Guard Time	• 5G/4G MOS Call	15 Sec		

Table-21: Voice test detail

Note-

- There is 15 sec wait time after locking and before starting first call in 3G/2G call.
- 10 calls to be made at each Hotspot location.
- Minimum 10 Calls to be made during the walk test. Call count will be increased based on walk test distance.
- Speech quality (MOS) has been measured only in city drive & highway by making Mobile to Mobile call.
- 180 Sec calls were made only in highway & railway route drive.

Data Test					
Test Type	Technology	Detail			
HTTP/FTP Download		500 MB File- 30 Sec Timeout, (Multithread 3- TCP Connection at a time)			
HTTP/FTP Upload	5G/4G/3G/2G Auto Mode	250 MB File- 30 Sec Timeout, (Multithread 3- TCP Connection at a time)			
YouTube Streaming		20 Sec Video & 25 sec Timeout (Only at Hotspot)			
Web Browsing		3 popular websites 20 sec timeout (only at Hotspot)			

Latency	25 count- Dynamic 1000 count- Hotspot Payload- 42 bytes in all drive
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Table-22: Data test detail

Note-

- 5 Data iteration to be done at each hotspot location.
- Minimum 5 iteration to be made during the walk test. Iteration count will be increased based on walk test distance.
- Ping test to be performed only once at hotspot location.
- Youtube & Web browsing test to be performed at static location only.
- All values are taken up to two decimal places with round off.
- Download and upload testing has been done on FTP server for Airtel, BSNL & RJIL. (Airtel, BSNL & RJIL not provided HTTP server)
- VIL download and upload testing is done on HTTP Server.

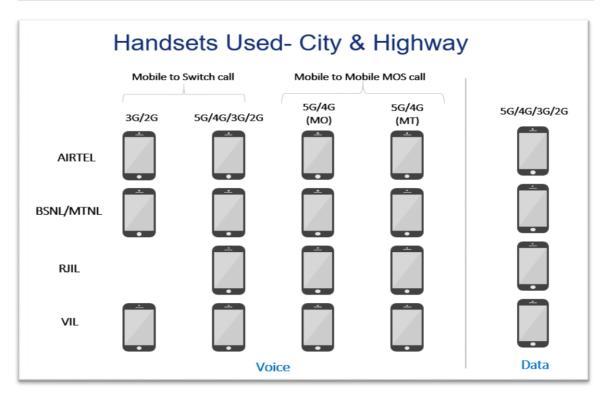


Figure-43: Number of handsets used in city & highway drive

MO: Mobile originating MT: Mobile terminating

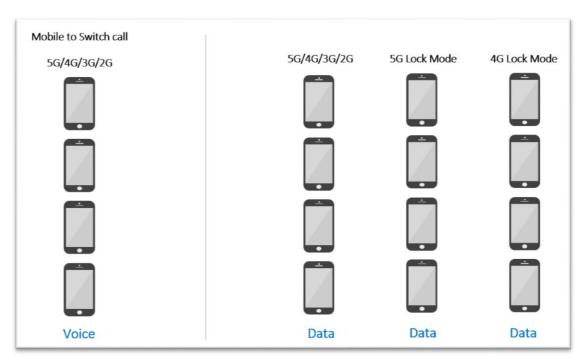


Figure-44: Number of handsets used in railway/metro/walktest/hotspot/coastal area

Note- 5G & 4G Lock mode testing has been performed at hotspot locations only.

7.1.2 Drive test Methodology

(a) Dynamic voice testing (on the move)

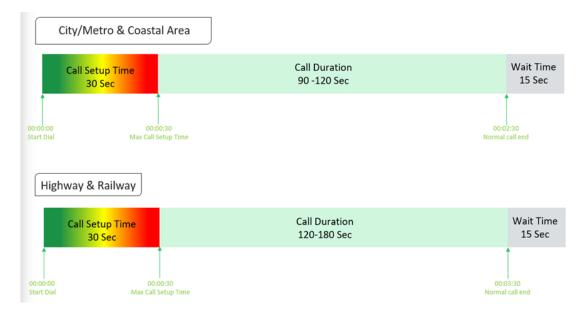


Figure-45: Voice test script for city/railway/metro/highway & coastal area

- 15 sec wait time is applied after locking Radio Access Technology (RAT) to 3G/2G and before starting first call in 3G/2G call.
- Speech quality (MOS) will be measured only City & Highway drive by making Mobile to Mobile calls.

(b) Hotspot voice testing



Figure-46: Voice test script for walktest/hotspot

- 10 calls to be made at each Hotspot location.
- Minimum 10 Calls to be made during the walk test. Call count will be increased based on walk test distance.

(c) Dynamic Data (internet) test



Figure-47: Data test script used in city/metro/railway/highway/walk test & coastal area

(d) Static Data(internet) testing

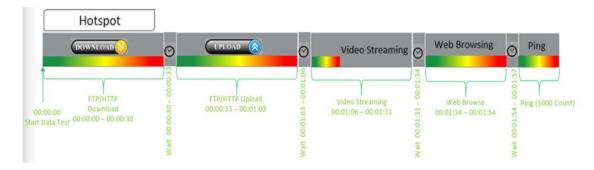


Figure-48: Data test script used at hotspot

- 5 Data iteration done at each hotspot location
- Min. 5 iteration made during the walk test.
- Web browsing duration mentioned above is for one web site only.
- Only 1 ping iteration (with 1000 Count) done at hotspot location.

7.2 Appendix-II

7.2.1 Network Performance Parameters for Voice calls

Parameter Name	Definition			
Call Setup Success Rate	 (i) Call Setup Success Rate is defined as the ratio of Established Calls to Call Attempts. 'Established Calls' mean the following events have happened in call setup: (a) Call attempt is made (b) The signaling channel is allocated (c) The call is routed to the outwards path of the terminating network (d) An alert signal is received by caller in the form of ring back tone, busy tone, or an announcement. 			
	CSSR = (Total Call Established/ Total Call Attempt) *100 As per QoS Regulation 2024 benchmark value is >=98%			
Drop Call Rate	Call drop represents the service provider network's ability to maintain a call once it has been successfully established. This parameter shall include both incoming calls and outgoing calls which, once they have been established and have an assigned traffic channel/ bearer, are dropped, or interrupted before their normal completion by the user, the cause of the early termination being within the service provider's network			
	Drop Call Rate = (Total Call Drop/Total Call Established) *100			
	As per QoS Regulation 2024 benchmark value is <=2%			
Call Setup Time	Time taken from call initiate to call alerting/ringing. Call Setup Time = T2- T1 T2- Ringing (VoLTE/VoNR) & Alerting (for WCDMA & GSM), T1- Invite (VoLTE/VoNR) & CM Service Request (for WCDMA & GSM)			
Voice Quality (MOS)	Voice quality in mobile networks is measured with algorithms based on ITU-T P.863 (POLQA). The grading for Voice quality has been given as: Excellent: $MOS \ge 4$ and < 5 Good : $MOS \ge 3$ and < 4 Fair : $MOS \ge 2$ and < 3 Poor : $MOS \ge 1$ and < 2			
Handover Success Rate	Handover Success Rate = Count of successful handovers (All Technology Handover combined) / Total count of Handover Attempt (All Technology Handover combined) *100 Handover types which are considered- 2G Inter & Intra cell, 3G Soft & IRAT, 4G Inter & Intra frequency & SRVCC, 5G Inter & Intra frequency & 5G to 4G handovers.			
Silence Call	A call which has ≥ 4 sec continuous RTP gap is considered as a Silence Call. Silence call rate = (count of silence call / Total calls established) *100 If a call observes multiple silence count >=4 sec in a particular established call it has been taken as one silent event.			

Jitter	The inter arrival jitter is the difference in the relative transit time for two packets. The relative transit time is the difference between a packet's Real-time Transport Protocol (RTP) timestamp and the receiver's clock at the time of arrival, measured in the same units. If Si is the RTP timestamp from packet i, and Ri is the time of arrival in RTP timestamps units for packet i, then for two packets i and j the inter-arrival jitter D can be expressed as: D(i,j) = (Rj - Ri) - (Sj - Si)					
	The interarrival jitter is calculated continuously as each data packet i receive from source SSRC_n, using this difference D for that packet and the previous packet i-1 in order of arrival (not necessarily in sequence), according to the formula $J(i) = J(i-1) + (D(i-1,i) - J(i-1))/16$ or 8					
Downlink Packet Drop Rate	Number of RTP (Real-time Transport Protocol) Packets lost divided by total RTP packet received (against each source_SSRC and sequence number) at call originating handset. This KPI is calculated from MOS call for packet call only (VoNR/VoLTE)					
Uplink Packet Drop Rate	Number of RTP (Real-time Transport Protocol) Packets lost divided by total RTP packet received (against each source_SSRC and sequence number) at call terminating handset. This KPI is calculated from MOS call for packet call only (VoNR/VoLTE).					
	Signal strenguser.	gth is the sig	nal power	level rece	ived by th	e wireless
	Parameter	Technology	Signal Strength (dBm)			
	Name		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
	Rx Level	GSM	0 to <u>></u> -65	<-65 to <u>></u> -75	<-75 to <u>></u> -85	<-85 to min
Signal Strength	RSCP	WCDMA	0 to <u>></u> -70	<-70 to >80	<-80 to >90	<-90 to min
	RSRP	LTE	0 to <u>></u>	<-80 to	<-95 to	<-110 to
	CC DCCC	ND	-80	<u>></u> -95	≥-110	min
	SS_RSRP	NR	0 to <u>></u> -80	<-80 to <u>></u> -95	<-95 to <u>></u> -110	<-110 to min

Table-23: Network performance parameter and definition voice

7.2.2 Network Performance Parameters Data tests

Parameter Name	Definition		
	The download speed is defined as the data transmission rate that is achieved for downloading a test file from a test server to a test device.		
Download Speed (Mbps)	Download Speed = Total bytes transferred during download / Total time for transfer		
	80th percentile (upper range) & 20th percentile (lower range) value has been calculated for download throughput in dynamic drive and Hotspot combine data		
	The upload speed is the data transmission rate that is achieved for uploading a test file from a test device to a test server.		
Upload Speed (Mbps)	Upload Speed = Total bytes transferred during upload / Total time for transfer.		
	80th percentile (upper range) & 20th percentile (lower range) value has been calculated for upload throughput in dynamic drive and Hotspot combine data.		
Download Session Setup Success Rate	(total download session established (successfully connected to server)/ total download session attempt) *100. This KPI has been calculated for Hotspot only.		

Upload Session Setup Success Rate	(total upload session established (successfully connected to server)/ total upload session attempt) *100. This KPI need to report for Hotspot only.				
Web Page Download Time	Web browsing test is used to measure performance in terms of opening a web/HTTP page. Time taken to open the web page successfully is considered as web browsing delay/web page download time.				
Video Streaming Delay	The Video streaming delay is time taken from start of video transfer to First video frame displayed in player.				
Latency	Latency is the time it takes for a small data set to be transmitted from a device to a server on the Internet and back to the same device again. The Latency is measured in milliseconds (ms). To calculate the one-way latency, we just do half of the round-trip time. 50th percentile of one-way latency has been reported.				
Jitter	Measure of variation in time in arrival of packets from a source to destination The consideration of packet delay jitter is considered by standard deviation of Inter Packet Delay Variation. If IPDV is used. By standard deviation is meant the average of standard deviation of IPDV on DL IPDV(i) = D(i) - D(i-1) then Stdvs of IPDV is considered as jitter.				
Packet Loss Rate	Number of packets lost out of total packet transferred during test. Packet loss rate = (Total packet lost / Total packet sent) *100 * Packet delay (using ping) >90 ms considered as packet loss and included in packet loss rate. * Packet loss rate is calculated based on ICMP *90th percentile for Packet loss rate has been reported in overall Hotspot performance summary.				

Table-24: Network performance parameter and definition Data

Disclaimer: The observations presented above and, in the reports, represent the performance of the service providers on the area/route under test on the day/time of conducting the drive test and no inference whatsoever may be drawn regarding the quality of the telecom service by the service providers in the whole city/state/licensed service area.