

Government Connectivity Applied

Bringing Connectivity To
Improve The Lives Of The Citizenry

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Government Network Connectivity

- On August 2003, TSTT in a joint venture with Fujitsu (TSTT/Fujitsu alliance), was awarded a contract by The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (GORTT) to implement Phase I of the Government Communications Backbone project (GovNett).
- Phase I of this project was completed on September 30, 2005 and connectivity was established amongst two hundred and thirty (230) government sites inclusive of twenty (20) main ministry head offices.
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- On June 2, 2009, TSTT subsequently awarded a three (3) year Service Level Agreement for the maintenance and support services for Phase II of the Government Backbone project, which are now inclusive of twenty-six (26) main Ministry head offices.

Extending The Reach Of GovNett

- TT Connect- VLANs off the GovNett Backbone have been used to allow citizenry to get access to Government information at Six (6) TT Connect centers
- **ttconnect Service Centres**-aim to improve ease of access to government information
- WiMax network has supported the use of buses to extend TTConnect to rural area

Extending The Reach Of Quality Medical Care

- Need to access diagnostic medical care in rural areas.
- Challenge- limited number of medical specialists in the country.
- Opportunity for Medical Tourism as a net inflow and contributor to GDP.

Telemedicine & Medical Tourism Services

- Leverage the high levels of bandwidth connectivity and the Telepresence technology
- To partner with the Regional Public Healthcare sector and other Caribbean subject area experts to deliver a managed telemedicine service.

Challenges

- Budget Projections: US\$22M
- Access Infrastructure- Copper is pervasive and limited to 4Mbps
- Fibre deployment is comparatively expensive
- Telemedicine equipment at the Health Centres
- Health Information systems and backend processes to support a Telemedicine initiative

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