The Status of Telcos QoS-The Gambia Context

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Outline

Introduction-Gambia QoS Monitoring

Enforcement

INTRODUCTION - The Gambia



- Is surrounded by Senegal except for its western coast on the Atlantic Ocean.
- It has an area of 10,689 square kilometers (4,127 sq mi) with a population of 2.6 million.
- Banjul is the capital while the largest cities are Serekunda and Brikama.



WHO WE ARE

The Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) is The Gambia's independent multi-sector regulator established by the Government under PURA Act 2001, to regulate the following sectors:

- Broadcasting
- Electricity
- Telecommunications
- Transportation
- Water & Sewage
- Postal
- Other public utilities, if deemed necessary





Ccurrent regulated Sectors:

- Telecommunication
- Electricity
- Water and sewage
- Downstream Petroleum
- Broadcasting

The Authority reports to the Ministry of Finance and economic Affairs, and coordinates with line ministries responsible for each regulated sector in executing its functions.



WHAT WE DO



TO SET UP NECESSARY GUIDELINES.



TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE BY PUBLIC UTILITIES.



TO ENSURE THE CONTINUITY OF SERVICE DELIVERY



TO PROTECT OPERATORS' INTERESTS



TO PROTECT AND PROMOTE CONSUMERS' INTERESTS.

WHAT WE DO Cont.



To promote the availability, accessibility, and affordability.



To promote efficient development of regulated sectors



To promote and enhance general knowledge, sensitization, and awareness

Current GSM Market Status

GSM market constitutes of 4 players.

3 million subscribers.

Mobile usage penetration rate is 115%

3G penetration rate is 46% 4G penetration rate is 19%

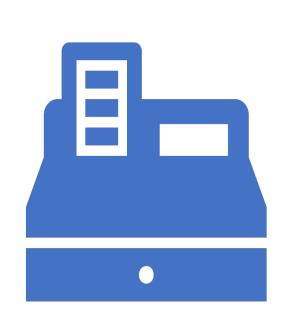


Current Digital Finance Status

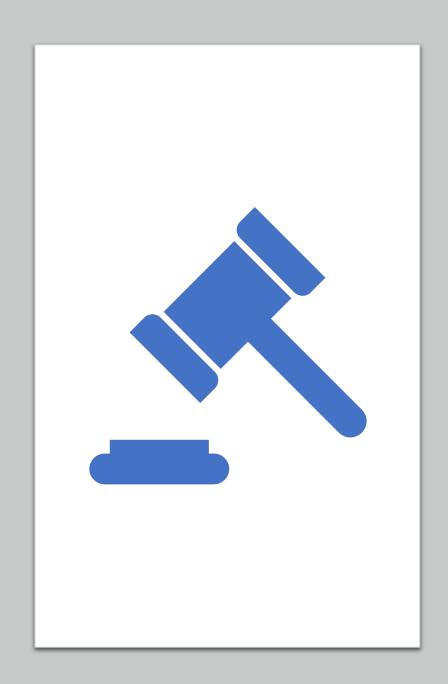
80% of the population are unbanked.

Mobile money penetration rate is 16%.

Two operators have mobile money services since 2016.







QoS Legal Instrument

- **❖IC** Act 2009
- ❖PURA Act 2001
- Enforcement Regulation 2010
- ❖QoS guideline 2022
- ❖ Type Approval guidelines 2013

Measurement and Data Acquisition











SOLUTION IS CDR BASE

PURA INSTALL SERVERS
IN OPERATORS
PREMISES

RAW DATA CONSISTING
OF COUNTER RECORDS
IS PUSHED
AUTOMATICALLY TO
PURA SERVERS.

THE RAW DATA
RECORDS MUST BE
TRANSFERRED IN .CSV
FORMAT

THE MEASUREMENT PERIOD IS ON AN HOURLY (24/7) BASIS



5TH OF EACH MONTH IN EXCEL FORMAT.

LICENSEES SHALL PROVIDE
THE UP-TO-DATE
UPDATED 2G,3G AND 4G
CELLS MAPPING BY THE



DATA AVAILABILITY SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN 96%.

Reports

QoS Monitoring Tool extract and process the raw data Generate QoS KPI reports on: hourly, daily, weekly, monthly yearly

The reports I show QoS KPI data of all network segments including at Base Station Transceiver (BTS), Cells, Base Station Controller (BSC) in both urban and rural areas

KPIs for 2G Network @ busy hour

| Parameter | Target value |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Cell Availability | ≥ 96 % |
| Call Setup Success Rate | ≥ 96 % |
| Call Drop Rate | ≤ 2% |
| Handover Success Rate | ≥ 96% |
| Call Success Rate | ≥ 96% |
| SDCCH Availability Rate | ≥ 96% |
| TCH Availability Rate | ≥ 96% |
| SDCCH congestion rate | ≤ 2% |
| TCH Congestion Rate | ≤ 2% |
| TCH Drop Rate | ≤ 2% |

KPIs for 3G
Network

a busy
hour

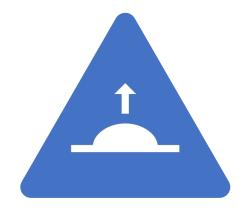
| Parameter | Target value |
|--|--------------|
| Data Availability | ≥ 96% |
| Cell Availability | ≥ 96% |
| CS RRC Call setup success Rate | ≥ 96% |
| CS Radio access bearer call Setup success Rate | ≥ 96 % |
| CS voice call setup success rate | ≥ 96 % |
| CS voice call drop rate | ≤ 2% |
| CS HO 3G-2G | ≥ 96 % |
| PS RRC Call setup success Rate | ≥ 96% |
| | |
| PS Radio access bearer call Setup success Rate | ≥ 96% |
| PS call setup success rate | ≥ 96% |
| PS call drop rate | ≤ 2% |
| PS HO 3G-2G | ≥ 96 % |
| Soft Ho Success Rate | ≥ 96 % |

KPIs for 4G AG Networks a busy hour

| Parameter | Target value |
|---|-----------------|
| Data Availability | ≥ 95% |
| Cell Availability | ≥ 99 % |
| RRC Call setup success Rate | ≥ 98% |
| RRC Drop Rate | ≤ 5% |
| EPS Radio access bearer call Setup success Rate | ≥ 98 % |
| EPS Radio access bearer Drop Rate | ≤ 2% |
| Call setup success rate | ≥ 98 % |
| CS Fall Back Success Rate | ≥ 98% |
| Ho Success Rate (4G) | ≥ 97 % |
| Inter Rat Ho Success Rate | ≥ 96% |
| Cell DI Throughput | ≥ 10Mbs |
| Cell UI Throughput | ≥ 1Mbs |

ENFORCEMENT

Failure to meet the minimum standard of each of the KPIs as specified by the Authority, a fine will be imposed per month as stipulated the guideline



2G Enforceable KPIs

| PARAMATERS | Target Value |
|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Cell Availability | >=96 % |
| Call Setup Success Rate | >=96% |
| Call Drop Rate | <=2% |
| Handover Success Rate | >=92% |

3G Enforceable KPIs

| | Target |
|----------------------------|--------|
| PARAMATERS | Value |
| Cell Availability | >=96 |
| CS voice call setup | |
| success rate | >=96 |
| CS voice call drop rate | <=2 |
| | |
| PS call setup success rate | >=96 |
| PS call drop rate | <=2 |
| Soft Ho Success Rate | >=96 |

4G Enforceable KPIs

| PARAMATERS | Target Value | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|
| Cell Availability | >=99 | |
| EPS Radio access bearer Drop Rate | <=2 | |
| Call setup success rate | >=96 | |
| CS Fall Back Success Rate | >=96 | |
| Ho Success Rate (4G) | >=96 | |
| Cell Dl Throughput | 10Mbs | |
| Cell Ul Throughput | 1Mbs | |

How to Calculate Fine for 2G KPIs

U = unit fine per KPI = D400,000.00 Fine = U*N
Fine=400000* 8
=3,200,000

N= Number of failed KPIs in each Region

ACCESSIBILITY RETAINABILITY MOBILITY Threshold >=95% <=2% >=95% Call Setup Call Success Call Drop HO Success Success Rate REGION Rate @ BH Rate @ BH @ BH @ BH GBA 96.59% 96.05% 0.55% 98.88% CRR 95.86% 94.92% 0.97% 95.14% LRR 0.71% 97.29% 95.27% 94.59% NBR 90.99% 90.02% 1.07% 95.32% 94.07% URR 95.03% 1.01% 97.69% WCR 93.31% 92.18% 1.22% 94.80%

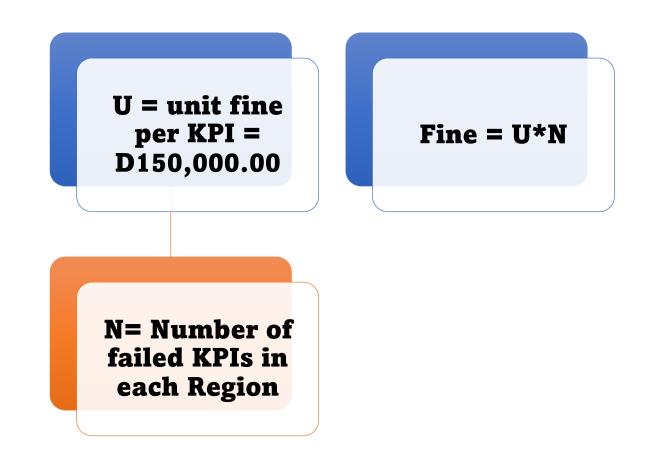
How to Calculate Fine for 3G KPIs

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N= Number of failed KPIs in each Region

| | ACCESSIBILITY d >=95% | | RETAINABILITY | | MOBILITY >=95% |
|-----------|--|---|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Threshold | | | d >=95% <=2% | | |
| REGION | CS voice Call Setup Success Rate @ BH | PS Call Setup Success Rate @ BH | CS voice Call Drop Rate @ BH | PS Call Drop Rate @ BH | Soft HO Success Rate @ BH |
| GBA | 98.83% | 98.74% | 0.20% | 8.98% | 99.92% |
| CRR | NO 3G COVERAGE IN THIS REGION | | | | |
| LRR | 99.46% | 98.16% | 0.17% | 36.26% | 99.97% |
| NBR | 99.13% | 99.16% | 0.20% | 27.10% | 99.97% |
| URR | 96.06% | 63.97% | 0.26% | 27.12% | 99.96% |
| WCR | 98.27% | 98.42% | 0.37% | 17.73% | 99.91% |

How to Calculate Fine for 4G KPIs



CONCLUSION



PURA has established technical and legal mechanism for monitoring and enforcement of QoS to ensure that consumers are protected.



Monitoring is designed to benchmark ITU recommended standards and internal best practices.



However, there is growing need for proactive monitoring of end-toend QoS

