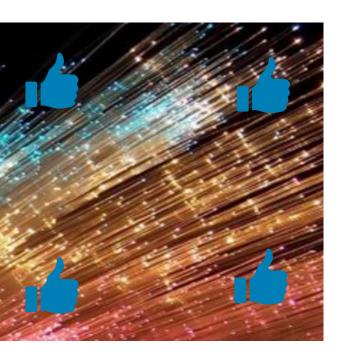


What is the superior technology



COPPER

OR

FIBER





Copper telephone cables

Copper cable infrastructure is more than a century now in most of the countries

Most preferred option for the operators to implement broadband services

Enabled quick and easy upgrade options for the CSPs

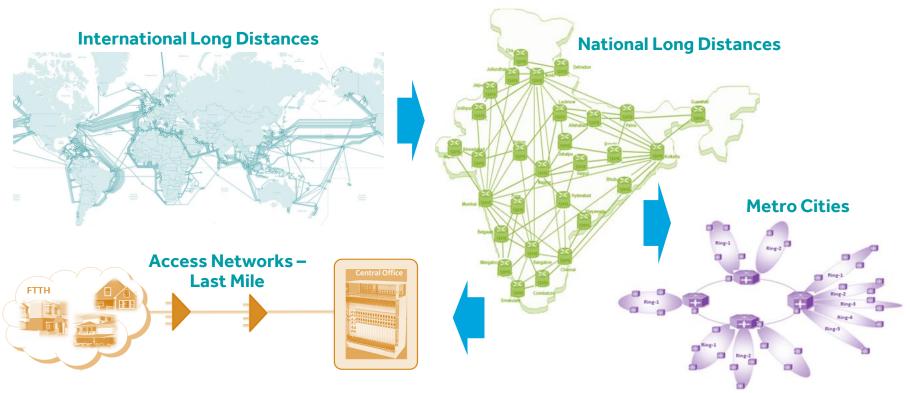
Where is the bulk of telephone cabling?

- 10% is in long distance networks (ILD or NLD)
- 10% is in distribution network
- 80% of all Telco cabling is subscriber loop Copper

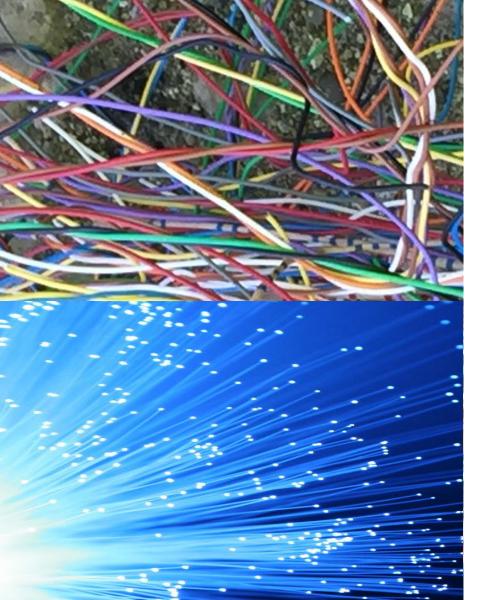


Fiber Cable Evolution

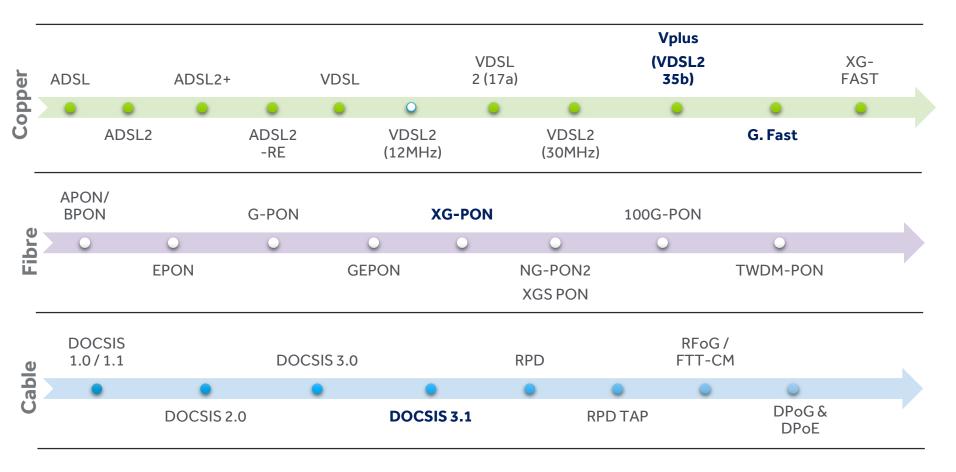
Copper cables are being replaced by fiber optics over the century, decades and years

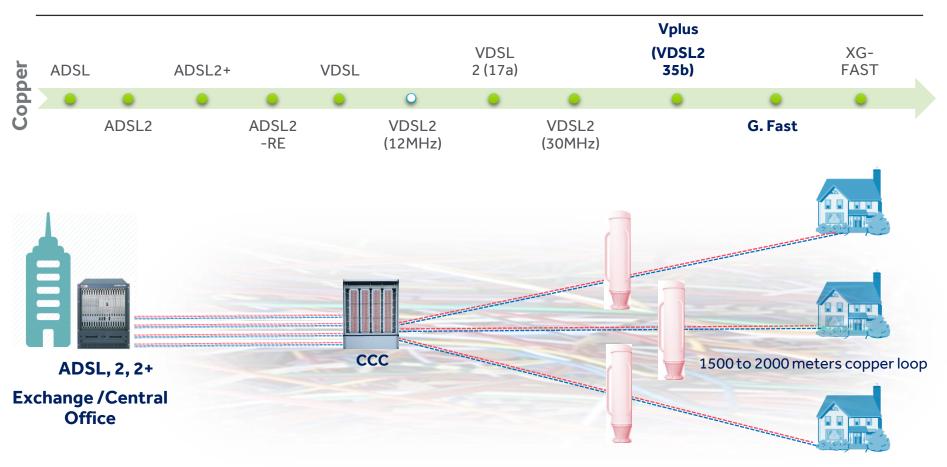


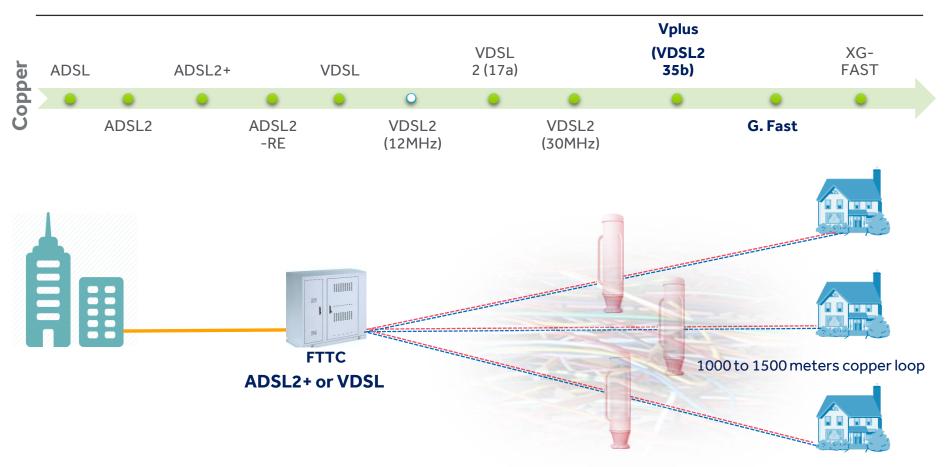
The benefits of fiber optic cables are making an increasingly common choice for CSPs

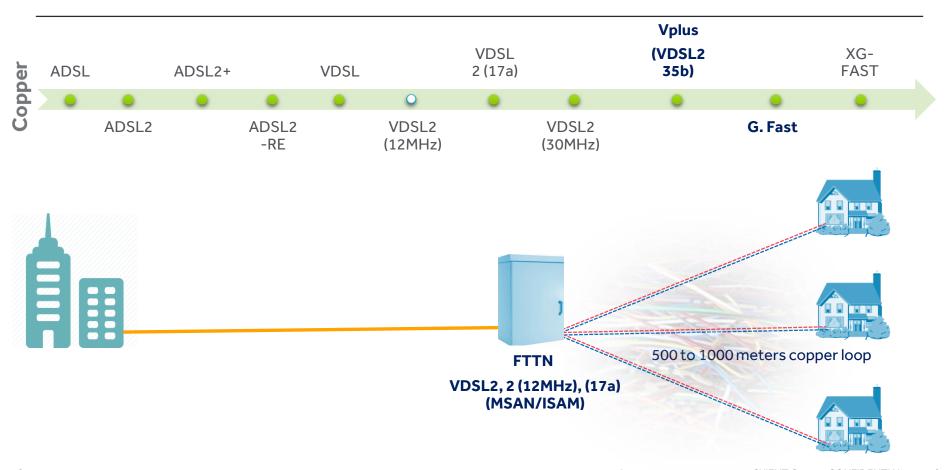


ACCESS TECHNOLOGIES EVOLUTION

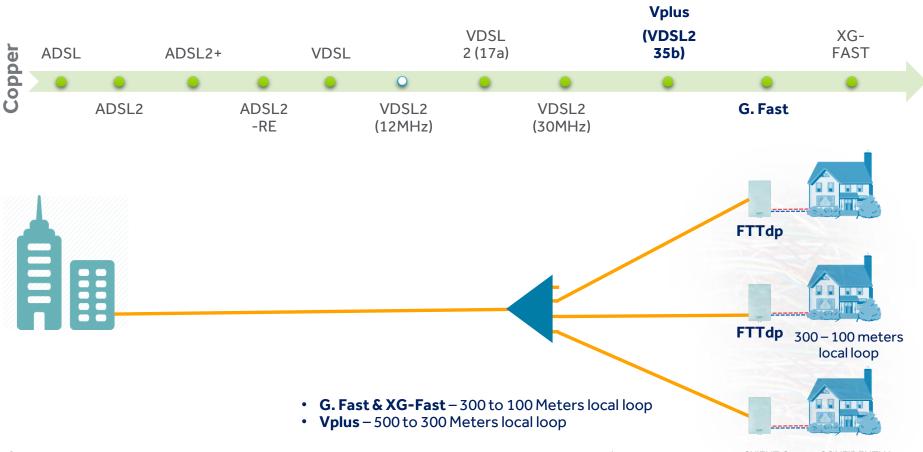








xDSL Technology Expansion over Fibre / FTTx



Is Fiber Killing Copper..?



WILL FIBER EVER REPLACE COPPER CABLE?



- ✓ Copper cable remains vital in several key applications / in-building networks.
- ✓ Copper is reforming to deliver Gigabit services in challenged environments

Copper and Fiber will co-exist long-term and will have common development of both





OPERATOR CASE STUDY

Copper Rehabilitation and FTTH introduction

Need for the Hour - Copper Rehabilitation

Address existing coverage / footprint gaps

Support alternative flexible deployment options

Address powering issues

Ability to provide fiber like services

Rapid deployment and quick service enablement Support operational and service issues

Introduction of Telecom Fiji Ltd



Telecom Fiji Limited (TFL) is one of the largest facilities-based providers of fixed line communication and networking services in Fiji

TFL is at the moment under transformation of network technologies from legacy copper access to advanced access technologies.

- ADSL / ADSL2+ to VDSL2 / Vectoring / MSAN / ISAM
- Introduction of FTTH / X

Moving towards upgrading / rehabilitating their existing network infrastructure for better service improvements

- Copper Rehabilitation program, which is under going a lot of improvements currently

Background of Copper Rehabilitation

In 2015, TFL wanted to rehabilitate their copper network to deliver Fiber like services

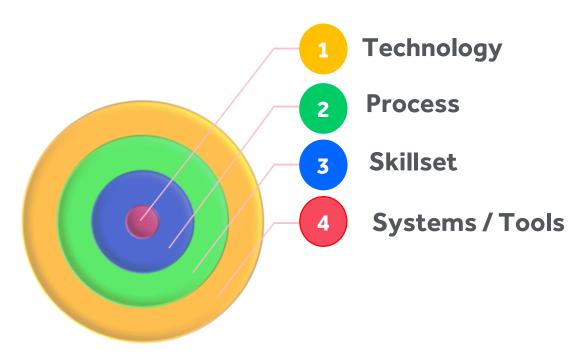
TFL management approached Cyient in assisting the copper rehabilitation program

Cyient deployed its expert consultants onsite to study understand key challenges

Cyient delivered it's value by assisting TFL in their copper network rehabilitation

Key elements of Cyient's Consultancy

There are mainly 4 key areas which are influencing the service quality (QoS) and customer experience (QoE) post cutover and copper rehabilitation



Client Key Challenges

Technology

- Interoperability
- CPE synchronization
- Copper health Check
- Operational Systems

Process

- Master plan
- Communication process
- Urgency to deploy the project
- Data flow between each systems

Skillset

- Best practices
- Know-how knowledge
- Trainings and certifications
- Public forum memberships (FTTH & SCTE Councils)

Systems / Tools

- Field and customer data synchronization
- Customer care / TT dispatching / reporting postcutover / rehabilitation
- Multi-vendor EMS / NMS
- Copper testing tools

Challenges in introducing FTTH

TFL wanted to introduce FTTX/FTTH while, addressing copper rehabilitation issues

Tactical decisions to carefully plan and decide whether:

- To proceed for rehabilitation
- Replace copper with Fiber (FTTX)
- Optimize the impacting areas by introducing the Micro-nodes
- Adopt advanced and emerging FTTH technologies

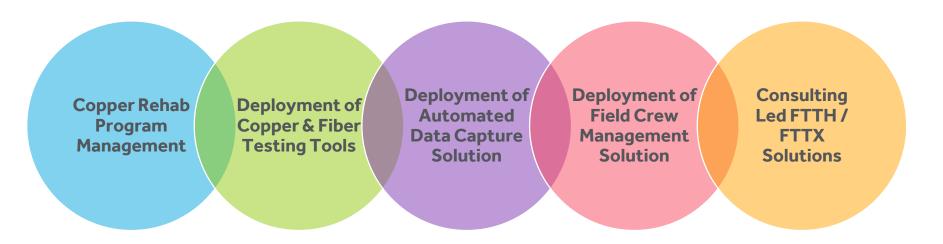
Gaps in the plans on how to move forward to adopt FTTx while, continuing to rehab the copper networks



CYIENT SOLUTIONS

Cyient Solutions

Cyient had successfully deployed their consulting services with the following solutions in order to address the key challenges of Telecom Fiji to resolve the issues (QoS) and enhance their customer experience (QoE)



Copper Rehabilitation Program Management

How to make rehabilitation more efficient and effective

As a priority, a <u>properly qualified, experienced, dedicated</u>, rehabilitation team member is required in each district to:

- Follow up on fault repairs, checking if Joints (underground) Cabinet issues (as seen in Denarau) or Distribution Points require attention for common issues.
- Perform <u>pro-active maintenance</u> within the district on the Cabinets, Cables (dry air supply paper insulated), joints, DP's etc..
- <u>Report problems</u> with Cabinets, Cables, DP's etc.. back through Customer Care Centre for action (presently Cyient sees that there is any other option for Customer Care than to raise a fault).

Solutions – Copper Testing Tools

Adoption of appropriate tools to resolve the copper QoS issues

Copper Bulk Pair Testing













Solutions – Field Mobile Handheld Devices

Ruggedized Handheld mobile devices help the filed technicians to simplify the field operations by avoiding the major human interfacing issues.



ALGIZ 10X EXTREME FIELD PERFORMANCE

The powerful ALGIZ 10X rugged tablet helps make your mobile crew more efficient. It can withstand rough weather and harsh environments with features, including a versatile capacitive touchscreen, for impressive field performance.



ALGIZ RT7 ETICKET BEST-IN-CLASS MOBILE TICKETING

Perfectly ergonomic, seriously rugged, and ready for your mobile transit tasks, the 7-inch ALGIZ RT7 eTicket offers unmatched mobile ticketing performance at an excellent value.



ALGIZ RT7 HEAVYWEIGHT FIELD PERFORMANCE

The ALGIZ RT7 ultra-rugged Android tablet provides powerful field performance in a sleek package for mobile workers who need a high performance device in an outdoor or industrial environment.



ALGIZ 7 SUPER RUGGED, ULTRA-MOBILE

The rugged ALGIZ 7 offers ruggedness and versatile functionality. If you need a larger display than a handheld, or if you need Windows PC functionality, this ALGIZ tablet's 7-inch screen and Windows 7 platform make it a great solution.

Recommendations on FTTx

People Skills:

- Need skilled resources to perform planning, design, field splicing, testing and network maintenance.
 - People needs to be trained and certified on various skills including systems (GIS), testing tools, remote monitoring systems.
- FTTH Council certifications / Memberships
- SCTE certifications
- FOA Certifications
- The light brigade certifications

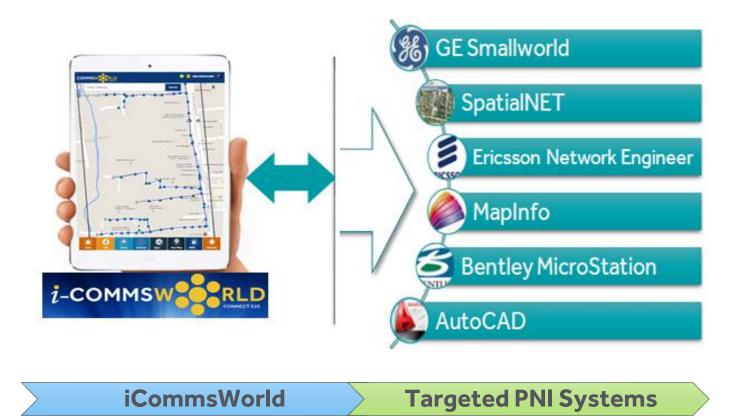








Solutions – Automated Data Capture Tool



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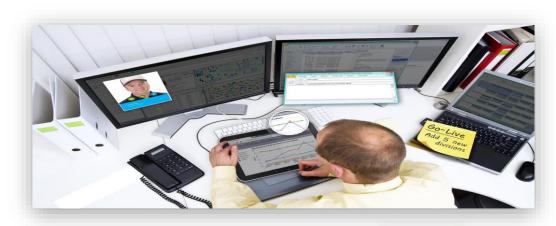
Solutions – Automated Data Capture Tool



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Solutions – Field Crew Management



Managing field crew's business changes effectively





update and timesheet





Consulting-Led FTTH Solution

FTTx needs to be planned as a future-proof architecture by considering the other business segments:

- Rolling the FTTx to cover other business segments of Mobile Towers (FTTm), Antennas (FTTa), Wi-Fi Access Points (AP), Public HD advertisement, Utility Meters (FTTu), Traffic / Highway surveillance etc..

FTTx deployment needs to be planned to facilitate <u>interoperability</u> for growing future traffic needs, network amendments and upgrades.

Compatibility issues may arise or entire system may needs alteration if Interoperability not planned.

ONE NATIONAL PLAN TO STAND OUT OF THE COMPETETION

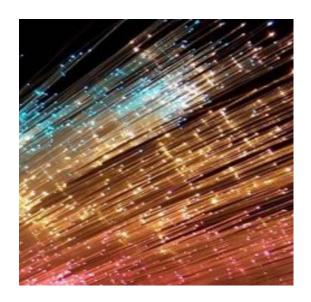
How we delivered

DESIGNING TOMORROW TOGETHER

Three simple words that describe our **unique approach** of working with our clients to improve **our client's business** and lives of their clients.



Conclusion



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BOTH



Cyient helps Operators in evaluating the access networks for optimization (copper / cable) and introducing the next-generation high-speed broadband (FTTH/FTTX) networks while, supports in maintaining the network proactively with advanced analytics solutions

