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IAFI President Presents India 6G Vision at South Asian University



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Chief Guest



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Guest of Honor



Mr. R.K. Pathak,
DG-Bharat 6G Alliance
Guest of Honor



Mr. Bharat Bhatia
President IAFI
Guest of Honor

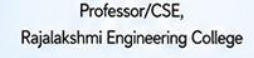


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Eminent Speakers



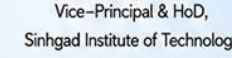
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Venue: Lecture Hall- 1, PCM Building, SAU



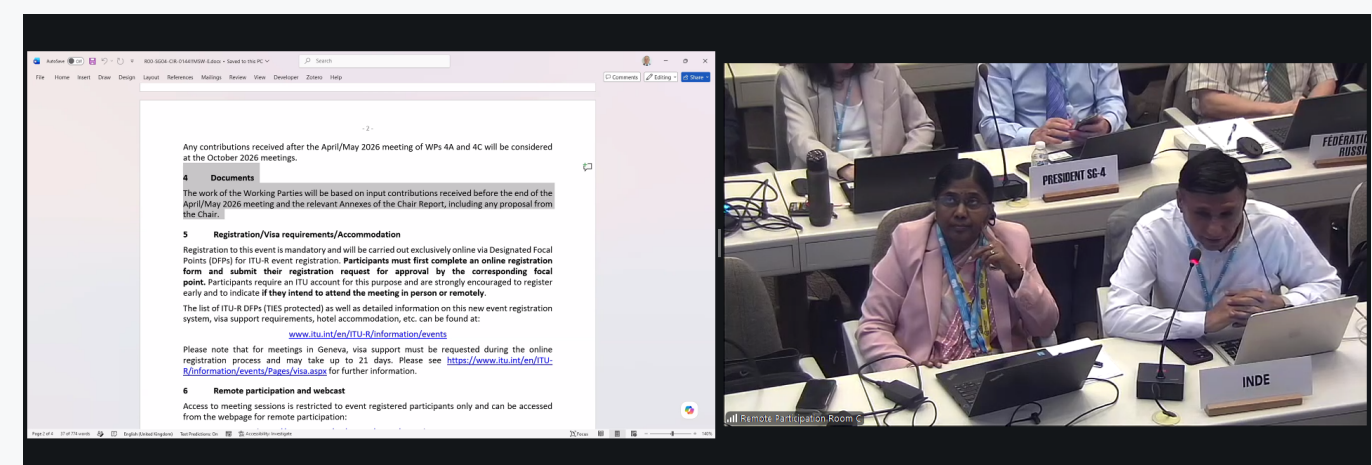
Shri Bharat Bhatia, President, ITU-APT Foundation of India, delivered a presentation on 'India 6G Vision' during the International Symposium on '6G and Beyond Ecosystem' organised by South Asian University and Sharda University in partnership with IAFI on 3 July 2026. The presentation outlined India's roadmap towards 6G, emerging technologies, spectrum requirements, global standardisation activities and opportunities for international collaboration. The symposium brought together distinguished leaders from academia, government and industry, including representatives from the Bharat 6G Alliance, NIXI, Tech Mahindra and IIT Delhi. The event highlighted IAFI's continuing role in promoting dialogue between policymakers, industry and academia on future digital networks.

TRAI Holds Open House Discussion on Satellite Communication Network Framework



IAFI participated in the TRAI Open House Discussion held on 2 July 2026 on the proposed Framework for Satellite Communication Network (SCN) Authorisation and assignment of spectrum. The consultation follows the Telecommunications Act, 2023, under which DoT has proposed a dedicated network authorisation for satellite infrastructure with administrative spectrum assignment for eligible services. The five-hour virtual meeting, chaired by the TRAI Chairman and attended by over 100 stakeholders, witnessed detailed discussions on the proposed regulatory architecture. Most satellite operators and several telecom companies supported the creation of a separate infrastructure layer, while a few stakeholders expressed reservations. IAFI highlighted the need for a simple, technology- neutral and investment-friendly framework that facilitates rapid deployment of satellite networks, promotes competition and supports India's Digital India objectives.

IAFI Participates in ITU-R WP4A and WP4C Meetings



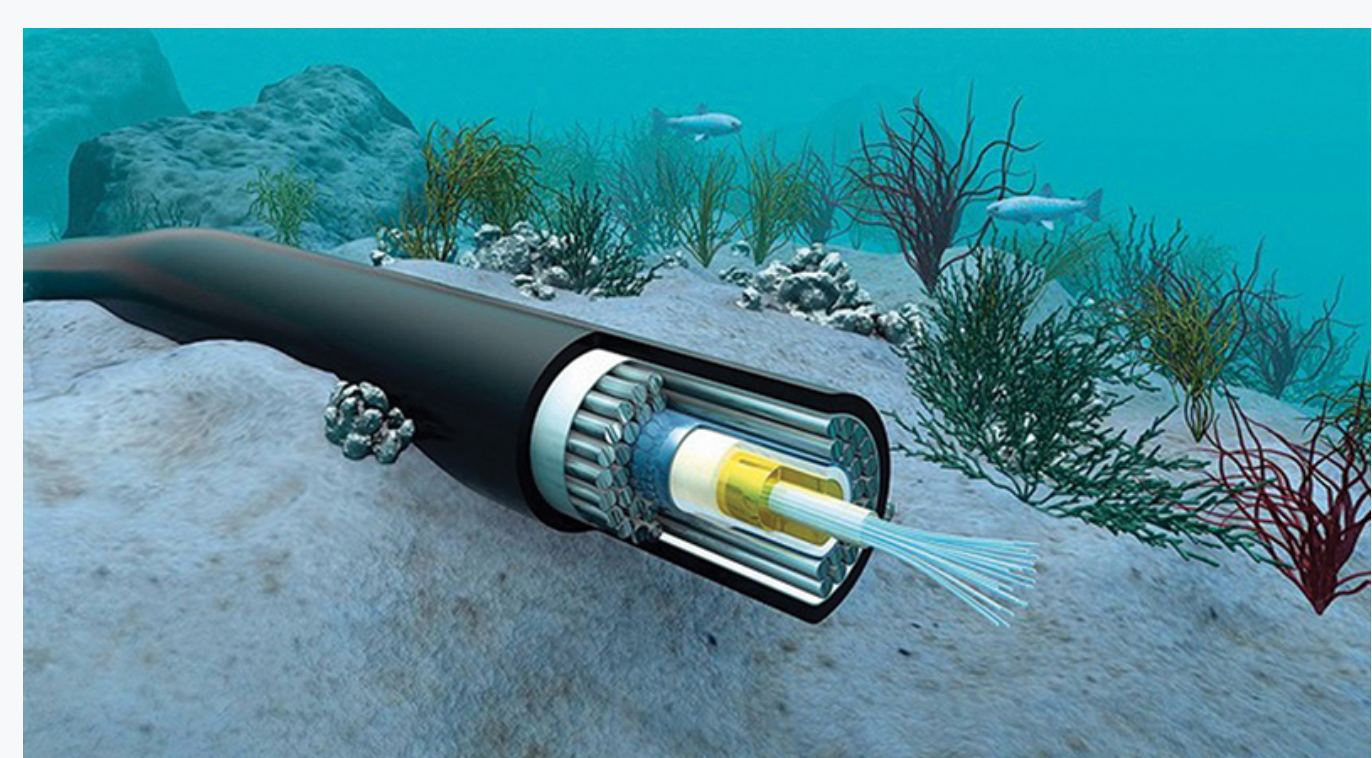
IAFI President Shri Bharat Bhatia is participating in the ITU-R Working Party 4A and 4C meetings being held in Geneva from 6–10 July 2026 as a member of the Indian delegation. These meetings continue studies relating to WRC-27 Agenda Items 1.5 and 1.13 covering regulatory measures for NGSO earth stations and Direct-to-Device connectivity between satellite systems and IMT user equipment. The outcomes will play an important role in shaping future global satellite regulations. Through its continued participation in ITU activities, IAFI remains committed to ensuring that India's technical and regulatory perspectives are effectively represented in international spectrum management discussions.

India's Telecom Sector Crosses ₹4 Lakh Crore Revenue



According to TRAI's latest Indian Telecom Services Performance Indicators, the telecom sector recorded gross revenue exceeding ₹4.04 lakh crore during FY 2025–26, reflecting the industry's continued expansion. Access services accounted for nearly 84 percent of total revenue, while urban teledensity reached 151.47 percent and rural teledensity crossed 60 percent. Broadband subscriptions also exceeded 1.06 billion, underlining India's growing digital adoption. The figures demonstrate the sustained contribution of telecommunications to the national economy and reinforce the importance of continued investment in broadband infrastructure, spectrum availability and next-generation technologies such as 5G, satellite communications and the future transition towards 6G.

New India–Southeast Asia Submarine Cable Announced



NEC Corporation, together with Lightstorm, Microsoft, Singtel and Tata Communications, has announced the 3,600-km India–Southeast Asia (I-2SEA) submarine cable connecting India, Malaysia and Singapore. With landing stations at Machilipatnam and South Chennai, the new system will directly connect major AI, cloud and hyperscale data centre hubs across the region. Scheduled to enter service in 2029, the cable will significantly improve international bandwidth, route diversity and network resilience while supporting the rapidly growing demand for cloud computing, artificial intelligence and digital services. The project further strengthens India's position as a strategic regional digital connectivity hub.

Important Meeting that IAFI will attend

Meeting	Dates	Submission Dates
ITU-R: Working Party 4A (WP 4A) - Efficient Orbit/Spectrum Utilization for FSS and BSS	6th - 10th July 2026	24th June 2026
ITU-R: Working Party 4C (WP 4C) - Efficient Orbit/Spectrum Utilization for MSS and RDSS	6th - 10th July 2026	24th June 2026
APT: The 3rd Meeting of the APT Conference Preparatory Group for WRC-27 (APG27-3)	27th - 31st July 2026	17th July 2026
APT: The 5th Meeting of the APT Preparatory Group for the ITU Plenipotentiary Conference 2026 (APT PP26-5)	24th - 28th August 2026	14th August 2026

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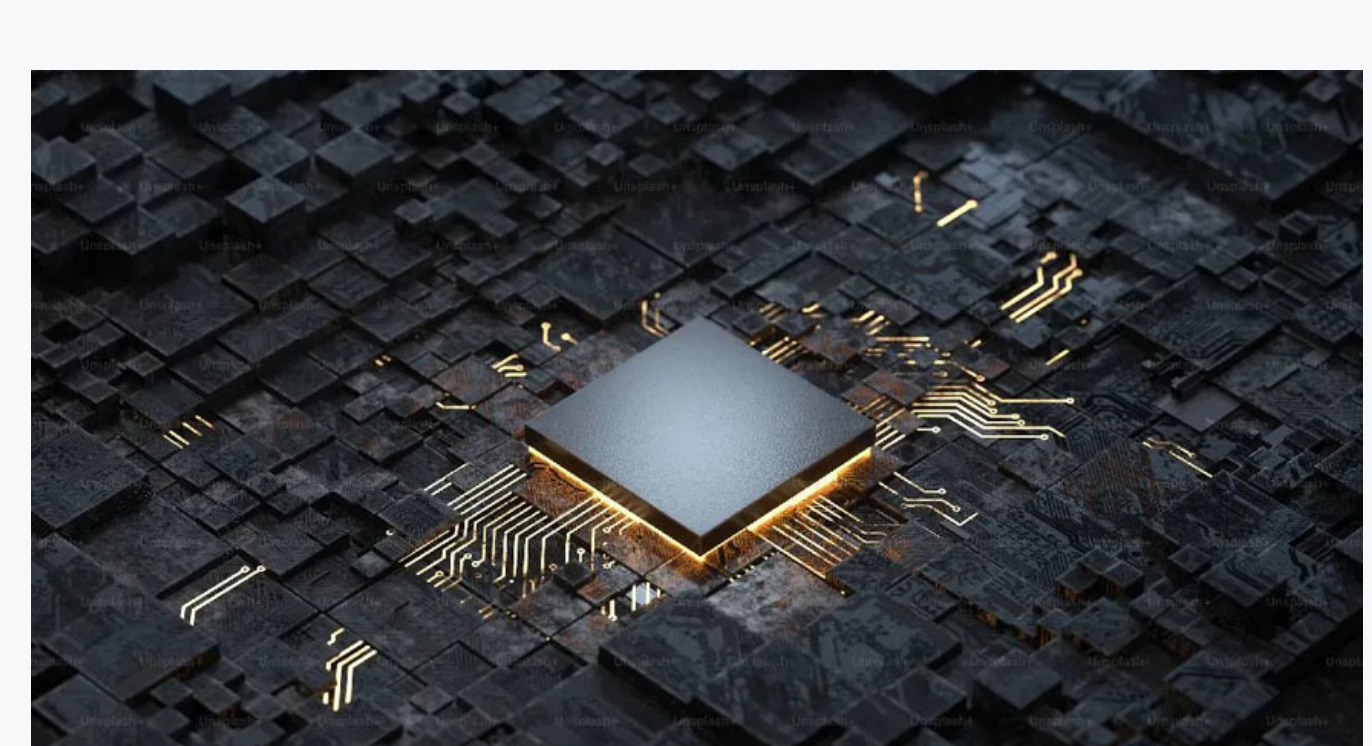
Union Minister for Railways, Information & Broadcasting, and Electronics & Information Technology, Ashwini Vaishnaw, said India has entered a new era in the semiconductor sector, as the CG SEMI (OSAT) facility in Sanand, Gujarat commenced commercial production, becoming the country's third semiconductor plant to do so this year.

The Sanand unit, built with an investment of over ₹7,600 crore in partnership with Japan's Renesas Electronics, becomes the third semiconductor facility in the country to enter commercial production in 2026. The rapid transition from groundbreaking in March 2024 to operations in just over two years highlights accelerated execution within India's emerging chip manufacturing ecosystem. Chips produced at the facility will cater to automotive and industrial applications, with both domestic supply and exports to key global markets including the US, Europe and Japan.



India and Japan are expected to announce plans to deepen cooperation in AI and semiconductors, while reinforcing defence and strategic ties, during Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi's first visit to New Delhi beginning Wednesday.

Takaichi's 1-3 July visit for the 16th India-Japan Annual Summit comes amid major geopolitical and geo-economic shifts. As the US turns increasingly inward with punitive tariffs and its "America First" policies while showing less willingness to shoulder security responsibilities in Asia, and China expands its strategic and technological influence, India and Japan are seeking to deepen cooperation to navigate shared economic and security challenges.



The Finance Ministry's Expenditure Finance Committee (EFC) has approved an outlay of Rs 1.25 lakh crore for the India Semiconductor Mission (ISM) 2.0, paving the way for the next phase of the country's semiconductor manufacturing push.

The proposal was cleared by the EFC last week and will now be placed before the Union Cabinet for final approval.

The proposed outlay marks a significant increase from the Rs 76,000 crore allocated under ISM 1.0, under which the government approved 10 semiconductor facilities across chip fabrication, assembly and design.

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