

## RURAL BROADBAND A GROWTH STORY

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## **KERALA VISION – THE GROWTH STORY**



- Consistent growth in rural broadband within a short span of time.
- > The vision and mission of 6000 cable operators of Kerala.
- > The unique and democratic business model.
- > The largest MSO and FTTH broadband provider in Kerala.
- The MSO ranked 6<sup>th</sup> position in India having digital base of more than 3 million.
- One of the top 10 ISPs in India having FTTH broadband base of around 1 million.

## **BUSINESS MODEL**



MSO/ISP

**30 DISTRIBUTOR COMPANIES** 

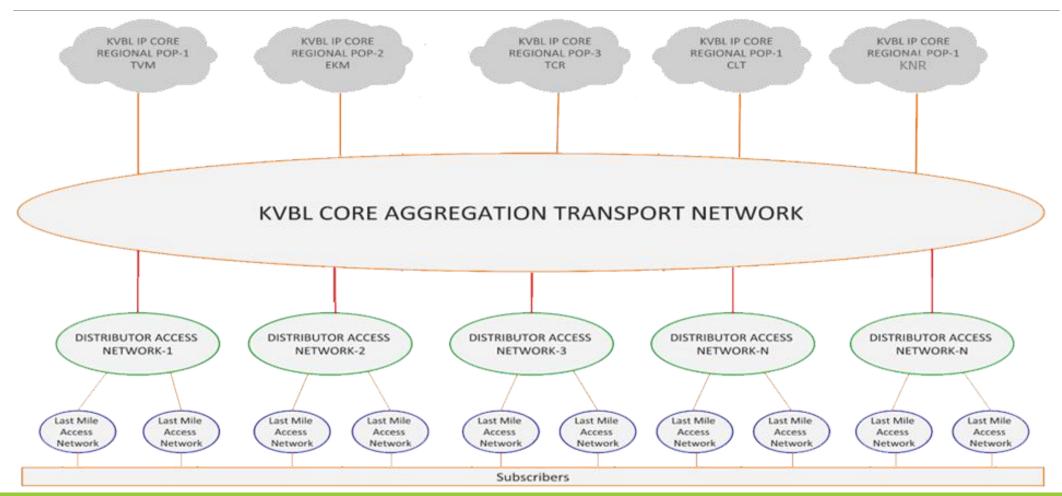
**150 SUB DISTRIBUTORS** 

#### **6000 CABLE OPERATORS**

**3 M DIGITAL AND 1 M BROADBAND CUSTOMERS** 

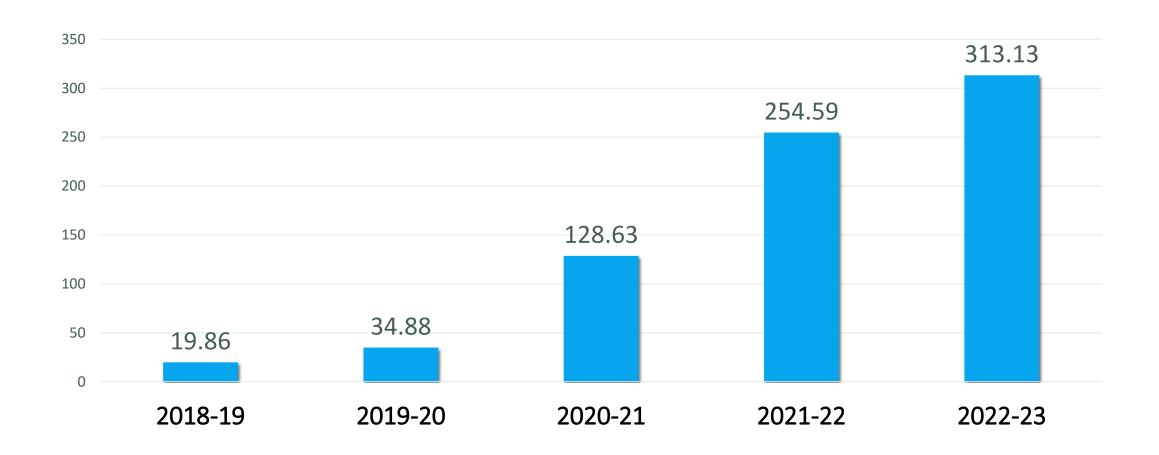


### **KVBL NETWORK DELIVERY HIERARCHY**



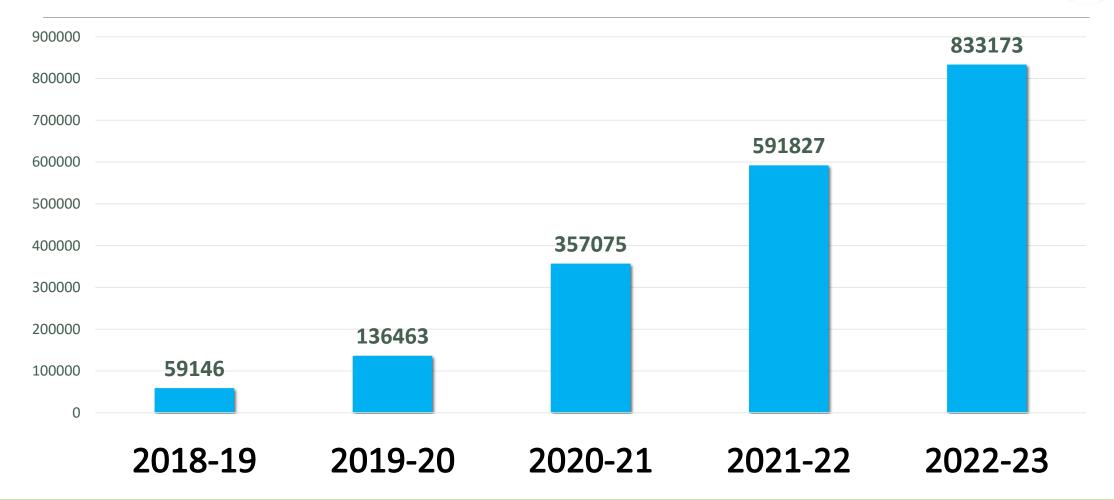


# **REVENUE GROWTH IN CR**



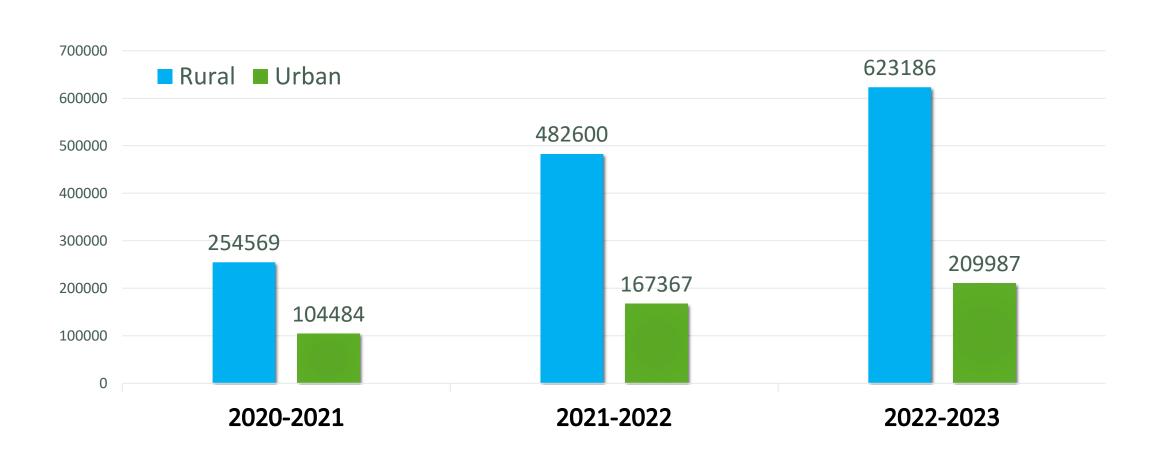


## **CONNECTION GROWTH IN LAKH**



#### **RURAL AND URBAN**

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## **KVBL-STRENGTHS**



- High rural broadband penetration through digital TV customer conversion.
- 100% of network is FTTH.
- First 400G core backbone network.
- Customer Support Center for every 5000 broadband customers.
- 24x7 service to last mile customers by 6000 cable operators.
- Multi service provider with Digital/Broadband/IPTV/Voice.
- First ISP in Kerala implemented 15% IPV6 delivery.
- Free Modem(KVFI) scheme to popularize broadband in rural market.
- Provided internet access to tribal areas of Kerala.
- Only ISP in Kerala having 5 POP in a state to ensure high network performance.

#### SUPPORT NEEDED FOR RURAL BROADBAND PENETRATION.



- Bharatnet support to be extended to KVBL in Kerala.
- **Reduce electric pole rent charges in Kerala to promote rural broadband.**
- Government intervention to expedite ROW approvals.
- Reduce GST burden on operators who provide rural broadband.

Government may support our operators in skill development as part of digital India mission.

Government may support the sector by relaxing import conditions and duties on hardware for broadband.



#### KERALA VISION BROADBAND

# THANKS