



Pakistan Education & Research Network (PERN)



Developments in PERN (2019 – 21)

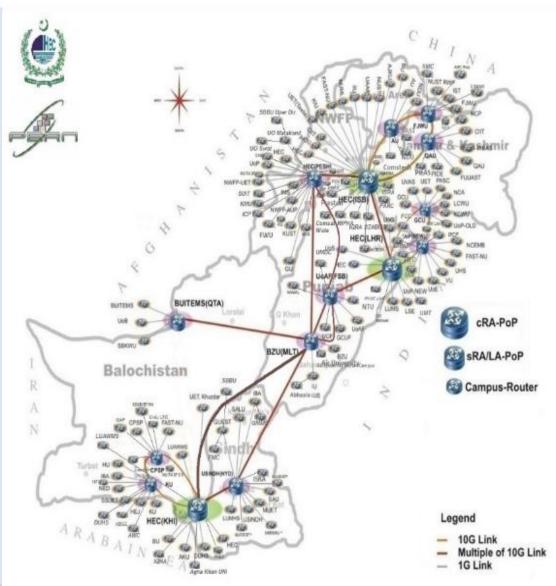


<u>CURRENT STATUS</u>

- 301 Institutions connected in 48 Cities
 - 179 Main Universities
 - 72 Sub Campuses
 - 50 Colleges
- **35** Gbps Internet Bandwidth
- 23 POPs in HEC / Universities
- 9 Gbps of Core Intranet Bandwidth Utilization
- IPLC capacity of ${f 1}$ Gbps with avg. utilization of ${f 800}$ Mbps

• PERN3 by 2019-21 Plans:

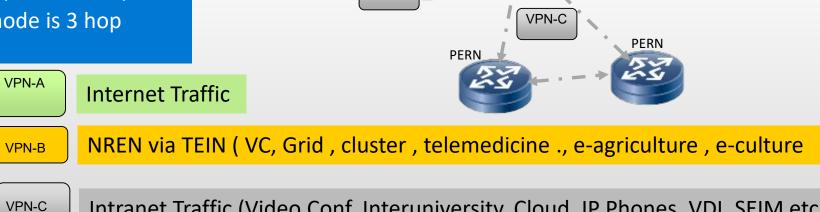
- Upgradation of PERN Backbone to multiple of 10Gbps (x 5) by January 2020
- Up-gradation of Last Mile to 10 Gbps by Jan 2020 along with Campus Equipment
- PERN Footprints to be increased up to 68 Cities
- Managed SOC for Universities
- Upgradation of PERN TEIN Link (1Gpbs to 2.5/5 Gpbs)





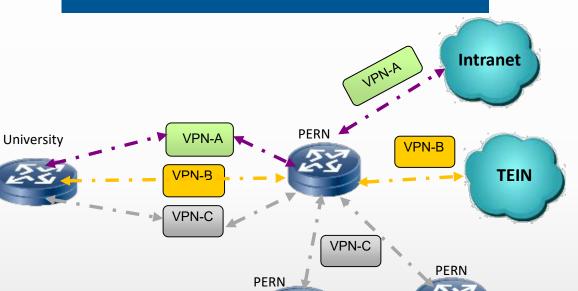
PERN Network Overview

- IPv6 enabled
- Ipv4 source based routing
- Dual Stack
- Multihoming
- ✤ 90% Leased Fiber Coverage
- DWDM based Network
- Any Cast routing
- ✤ 100% CIR Bandwidth
- Core Availability 99.9%
- Iess Delay Avg 15ms (300 nodes)
- MPLS enabled (Each node is 3 hop) away)
- **20Mb** intranet charge but no restriction 01G limit
- Dynamic Configuration for **R&E** requirement
- Extended NMS service
- Backup links with a very ••• minimal cost



Intranet Traffic (Video Conf, Interuniversity, Cloud, IP Phones, VDI, SEIM etc.

Dedicated public and private IPv4 & IPv6 pools inter & intra routing

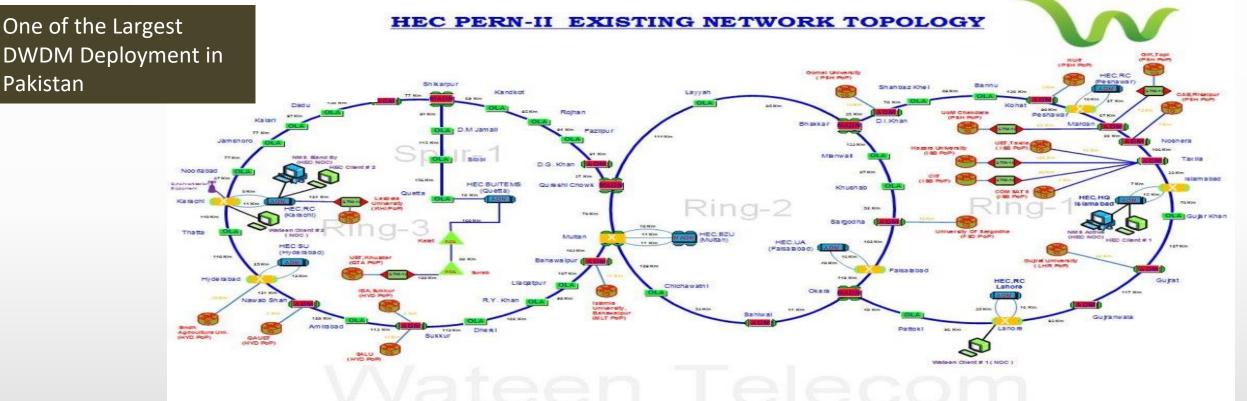






PERN DWDM Network





Dedicated DWDM Network (end to end switching) Leased Fiber over 8000 Km 10G backbone 1G dedicated Last mile Maintain SLA up to 99.7 %

This year core will be upgraded to 40G and Last Mile will Upgraded to 10G

Rings will be further bi-furcate for segments to improve the SLA up to **99.8%**



Market Competitive Edge



- Only Research & Education Network In Pakistan
- Tariff bundled with Educational Services
- Strategic Alignment with Vision of Higher Education
- Bulk Procurement helps to offer the prices at feasible charges
- Supports network settings based on R&E requirements

Economy of Scale Projects which include Public Private partnerships to help the Institutions to build their ICT infrastructure.

International Collaboration with NREN's as well as different Consortiums for development of R&E activities







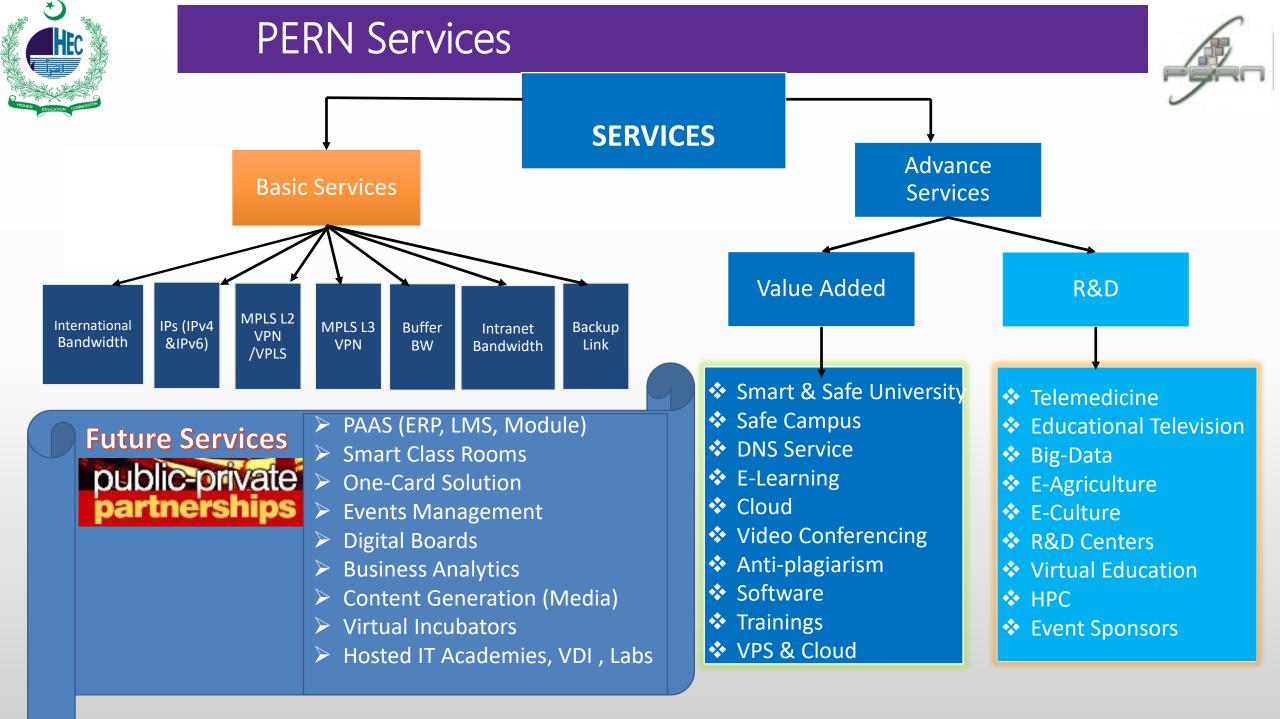














Infrastructure as Service Smart & Safe Universities





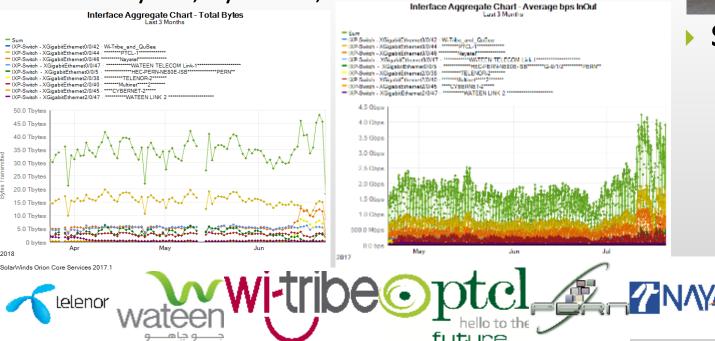


Pakistan's 1st Internet Exchange Point (PKIX) hosted by PERN



Overview

- Pakistan's First Internet Exchange Point was inaugurated in the premises of HEC in 2017
- Pakistan's Second Internet Exchange Point is recently launch in HEC Karachi Office.
- Nine Carriers are part of PKIX so far, namely, Wateen, Telenor, PERN, WiTribe, Qubee, Nayatel, Cybernet, Multinet and PTCL





Statistics

- PKIX is functional with 100% uptime since January 2017.
- Average Consolidated Traffic Rate up to 8
 Gbps.
- Average Traffic Volume Per day up to <u>3.4</u>
 <u>TBytes.</u>





- World Bank has approved a total of \$400 Million to HEC
- \$120 Million for R&D grants
- PERN is provided \$50 Million under this program for
 - PERN connectivity to 300 nominated Colleges nationwide
 - Upgradation of PERN Backbone to 100Gbps and last mile to 40Gbps by 2022
 - Eduroam extension to these colleges
 - Video conferencing extension to 300 colleges
 - Network Monitoring facility extension in 300 colleges.
 - Establish eduCloud
 - Expansion of smart classrooms to colleges
- Digitization of the Universities (LMS, ERP, CMS, etc.)
- Strengthening of National HPC Centers developed in different universities



China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)



- In talks with Government of China on a \$14 Million grant for establishment of Interactive Smart Classrooms in 50 Universities
 - •The smart classrooms will be based on interactive video conferencing solution.
 - The solution will be delivered through HEC cloud Platform.
 - 3000 5000 VDIs will be deployed under this project replacing obsolete computing facilities at colleges.



ASI@CONNECT 3rd CALL FOR PROPOSALS



- Application Proposals (10)
 - Software Defined Optical Networks (SDON) Training and Research Laboratory for TEIN NRENs by SEECS, NUST & TeCIP Institute Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna Pisa
 - Cyber Performance, Collaborative Production, Streaming and Archive by Australia National University & PERN
 - Connecting the unconnected Internet for underserved rural schools by BUITEMS, Quetta
 - DSRP: Data Science Research Platform based on High-speed Network Infrastructure for Asian Countries by **SIUT, Peshawar and Jeju National University, Jeju, Korea**
 - IoT based Air Pollution Monitoring System by **BUITEMS**
 - Framework for studying user behavior of PERN by UET Lahore
 - SDN based content-centric architecture for sensors-as-a-service (SCAS) in complex heterogeneous IoT Networks by **UET Lahore**
 - Execution of Interactive Online Cybersecurity and Privacy Awareness Training Program for Students by **RIU**, Islamabad
 - Development of Wireless System for Education, Communication and Social Uplift of Rural Community by **UET Lahore**
 - Network Capacity Enhancement through Technology Exchange and Professional Training by NU FAST Karachi

- Awarded Projects (3)
 - Software Defined Optical Networks (SDON) Training and Research Laboratory for TEIN NRENs amounting Euro 175,000
 - Cyber Performance, Collaborative Production, Streaming and Archive amounting Euro 190,000
 - Connecting the unconnected Internet for underserved rural schools amounting Euro 190,000



Asi@Connect Launch in Pakistan



