

Rural Braodband

The scope of this Agreement aims at provision of broadband connections to the rural and remote areas of the country through the existing wire line network of BSNL. M/s BSNL is the only service provider in this scheme.

The effective date of the Agreement is 20th January 2009.

The Agreement shall remain valid for eight years from the effective date. Further the scheme is extended by one year.

From each exchange a maximum of 31 individual/govt. institutional connections and one kiosk shall be subsidised by USOF.

The subsidy support under the Agreement shall be extended upto a maximum period of 2 (two) years from the date the broadband connection is installed and made functional.

For individual/govt. institutional connections, in addition to subsidy for connectivity which shall be paid as FLS and EQA, subsidy for CPE and Computing device shall also be payable.

Subsidy payable from USOF for

- i) Customer Premises Equipment (CPE) -Rs.850/-
- ii) Computer/Computing device - Rs.4500/-

For Kiosks, the USP shall receive only EQA subsidy for 3 (three) years from the date of installation or till the validity of the Agreement, whichever is earlier.

USP shall offer two special USOF Subsidized tariff plans of Rs. 99/- and Rs. 150/- per month throughout the validity period of the Agreement as detailed below:

Tariff Plan	Minimum speed of the broadband connection	Free download	Rate per MB for extra usage	Monthly charges
1	512 Kbps	400 MB	0.4	99/-
2	512 Kbps	1 GB	0.4	150/-

Service provider shall not recover any charges towards installation, registration and security deposit for the broadband connections provided under this scheme.

The hourly internet browsing charges at the kiosks, provided under this agreement, shall not exceed Rs.5/- per hour.