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Sub: Press Release

Dear Sir/ Ma'am,

We are enclosing herewith a press release dated March 19, 2024 titled '*Airtel expands its network footprint in Surat District under its rural network expansion project*' being issued by the Company.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,
Sincerely yours,

For Bharti Airtel Limited

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Airtel expands its network footprint in Surat District under its rural network expansion project

Densifies its network across 5875 villages by deploying additional sites for seamless connectivity

Surat, March 19, 2024: Bharti Airtel, one of India's leading telecommunications service providers, today announced that it has deployed additional sites in Surat district to densify its network.

The network expansion project in Surat was undertaken across 165 villages covering 2.5 Lakh population base. Customers in the tehsils of Kamrej, Chorasi (Surat), Olpad, Mangrol and Palsana under the Surat district will directly benefit from this network expansion. The expansion will enable seamless access to high-speed connectivity that will ensure reliable mobile network for work, study and entertainment in rural parts of Surat. In this year alone, Airtel has doubled down on its commitment to the state and has invested additional capex to enhance its network connectivity for seamless experience on 4G, 5G, Broadband and Fiber.

To expand coverage in rural villages in the state and to bring customers to enjoy the power of high-speed connectivity, the rural expansion project covers fifteen districts of Gujarat including Bharuch, Gandhinagar, Mehsana, BanasKantha, Surat, Ahmedabad, Kheda, Bhavnagar, Botad, Anand, Rajkot, Morbi, Vadodara, Sabarkantha and Patan, impacting over 50 lakh population across these districts.

Airtel has been running this rural expansion project nationally and will augment network connectivity across 60,000 villages in the country by 2024. Gujarat has been one of the big focus markets for the company and with this initiative, the company will augment its network coverage across 7000 villages covering the entire state.

With the aim of stepping up network capacity and taking services deeper into rural and unconnected areas. Airtel has also enhanced its fiber presence in the state by deploying additional capacities. The addition of fresh fiber capacity will support the growth of demand for high-speed data services in this region. Airtel's network umbrella in the region now covers all key urban, semi urban and rural areas including highways, tourist destinations and trade centres.

About Airtel

Headquartered in India, Airtel is a global communications solutions provider with over five hundred million customers in 17 countries across South Asia and Africa. The company ranks amongst the top three mobile operators globally and its networks cover over two billion people. Airtel is India's largest integrated communications solutions provider and the second-largest mobile operator in Africa. Airtel's retail portfolio includes high-speed 4G/5G mobile broadband and Airtel Xstream Fiber that promises speeds up to 1 Gbps with convergence across linear and on-demand entertainment, streaming services spanning music and video, digital payments and financial services. For enterprise customers, Airtel offers a gamut of solutions that includes secure connectivity, cloud and data centre services, cyber security, IoT, Ad Tech and CPaaS (Airtel IQ). For more details visit www.airtel.in