

E4-E5 (CFA)

SSTP ARCHITECTURE & NETWORK

AGENDA



- Terminologies in SSTP
- What is SSTP?
- Need of SSTP
- Objectives of SSTP
- SSTP in BSNL Network
- Selection of SSTP Sites
- Mobile Number Portability

TERMINOLOGIES IN SSTP



SSTP: Standalone Signal Transfer Point

SS7: Signaling System 7

STP: Signaling Transfer Point

DPC: Destination Point Codes

MNP: Mobile Number Portability

MAP: Mobile Application Part

INAP: Intelligent Network Application Part

SMSC: Short Message Service Centre

SSP: Service Switching Point

SP/SEP: Signaling Point/ Signaling End Point

GTT: Global Title Translation

M2PA: MTP2 Peer-to-Peer Adaptation Layer

M3UA: MTP3 User Adaptation Layer

HLR: Home location register

GGSN: Gateway GPRS support Node

SGSN: Serving GPRS support Node

SSTP



■ What is SSTP?

Standalone Signal Transfer Point

NEED OF SSTP



SS7 had made a numbers of applications possible e.g.

- Fast connection setup in PSTN
- Short Message Service (SMS)
- Location update





SSTP is needed in BSNL network because:-

- SSTP handle the non call related messages efficiently.
- SSTP became the vantage point in the network because of the signaling protocol was common i.e. SS7





- The SSTP provided a single routing database by enabling the uniform signaling in SS7 domain.
- Routing database is able to make the routing decision based on the Destination Point Codes (DPC), Global Title Translation (GTT), Routing Keys etc.

NEED OF SSTP



To measure and know the type of signaling traffic, SSTP was planned and installed so that billing to private operators can be done accordingly.

OBJECTIVES OF SSTP



- Regulate, measure, and account for internetwork traffic including SMS messages from mobile networks including GSM and CDMA.
- Achieve a flexibility and transparency in management of signaling for BSNL's wired and wireless networks.

OBJECTIVES OF SSTP



- Optimal expansion of GSM & CDMA network of BSNL.
- Introduction of New Services.
- Offer CCS7 & IP Signaling Services to other Wire line & Wireless Network Operators.

OBJECTIVES OF SSTP



- BSNL awarded a contract to M/s ITI Ltd. for the supply and installation of 10 SSTP nodes in September, 2005.
- Project was further expanded to provide 24 nodes in total covering all the major location including all the Level-1 TAX locations.



- 21 TAX Locations with an STP at each location.
- Pair of SSTPs (i.e.STPs) are designated as mated pair with identical routing data and complete failover capability.
- Phase 1 10 Locations.



- Phase 2 11 additional locations: This was later changed to 24 locations to take care of the connectivity issues.
- 4 Additional locations are Jammu, Shimla, Dimapur, Shillong and dropping Raipur.
- Phase 3 Expansion of all 24 nodes to about capacity of 1800 Low Speed Link per node.



- 6 STPs are designated as ANSI-ITU MTP gateway (ILD Gateways).
- Connect multiple SS7 nodes (MSC, L1-TAX, L2-TAX, Local Exchanges, SMSC, HLR, SCP) to a mated pair using SS7 E1 links.
- SSTPs interconnected using BSNL's IP/MPLS network on M2PA



- Later on M3UA functionality is also included to connect the access nodes e.g. Soft switch, GMSC, IN, HLR etc.
- Centralized Network Management with an Active and DR Standby site.
- Central Billing Server for billing inter-carrier SS7 usage.



- The SSTPs shall form primary and secondary signaling path through the designated mated pairs only.
- The connectivity with private operators (including MTNL) for signaling traffic to be established either on link basis or with their.



- In case of emergencies the direct routes between two Level-1 TAXs will carry the signaling traffic.
- SSTP connectivity of TAXs will be governed by instructions issued by NM branch from time to time.

SELECTION OF SSTP SITES



- Preferably where MPLS VPN equipment is already working.
- Preferably in Telecom building where at least two independent OFC rings are working.

SELECTION OF SSTP SITES



■ If, the installation of SSTP equipment is not technically feasible in MPLS-VPN building, then the location where spare STM-1 is available between the MPLS-VPN building site and SSTP equipment building, on two OFC rings working on independent cable paths.

APPLICATION ON SSTP N/W

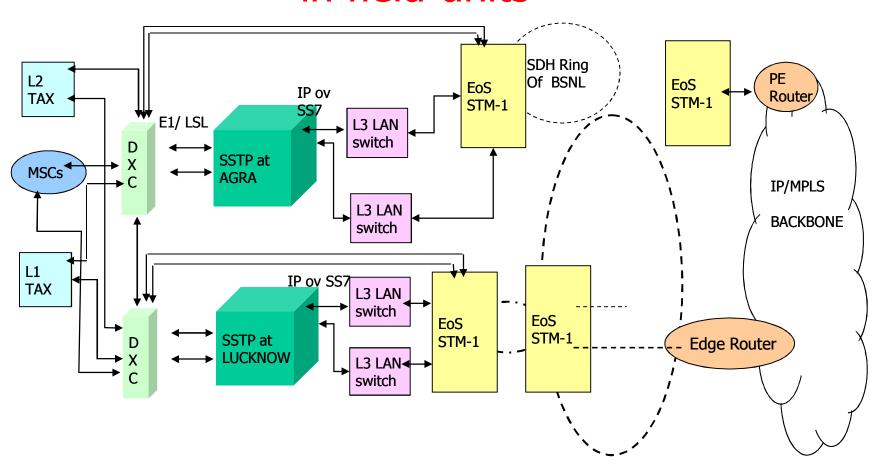


Lawful Interception of SMS

Mobile Number Portability (MNP)

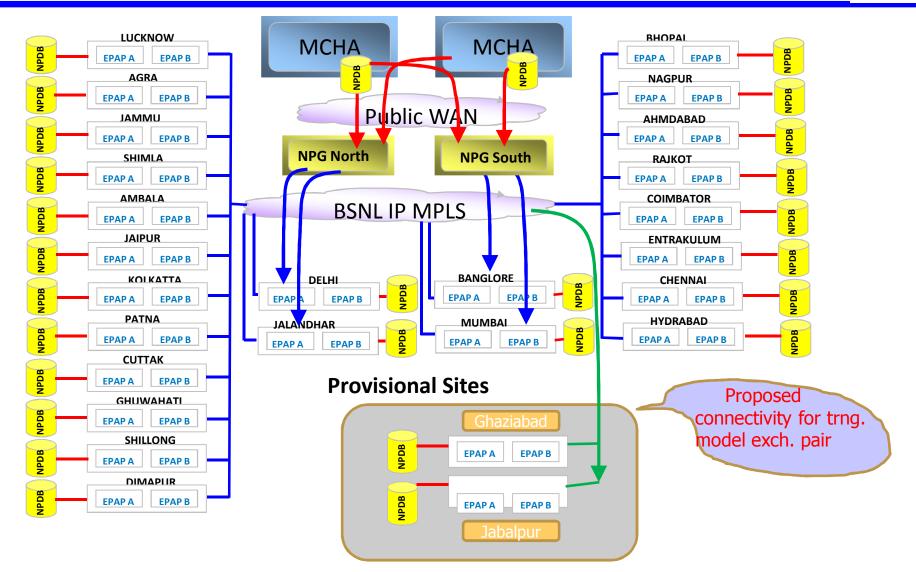


SSTP Network connectivity details in field units



BSNL NPDB Connectivity









CONNECETIVITY:

- All BSNL Network elements SMSC, IN, HLRs, MSCs to be connected to the SSTP.
- In case of circle STP/SGW already existing, these should be directly connected to the SSTPs so that directly or indirectly all the SS7 elements are connected via SSTP.





CONNECETIVITY:

- All GSM & CDMA MAP traffic to be routed via the SSTP, including SGSN and GGSN.
- All PSTN traffic to be connected to SSTP via Level-1/Level-2 TAX.



