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TATA COMMUNICATIONS

Headquarters

Mumbai and Singapore

Employees

8,500+

Geographical reach

Global reach with employees in 38 countries

Impact

The world’s largest wholesale voice carrier

ServiceNow solution

ServiceNow Customer Service Management

Tata Communications uses Customer Service Management to help businesses meet digital economy challenges

Tata Communications is a global company with its roots in emerging markets. Headquartered in Mumbai and Singapore, it has more than 8,500 employees across 38 countries.

The US\$2.9 billion company is listed on the Bombay Stock Exchange and the National Stock Exchange of India and is part of the \$103.3 billion Tata Group. Tata Communications generates US\$2.9 billion in annual revenue with 77% generated outside India. The business is the world’s largest wholesale voice carrier, transporting 53 billion minutes of wholesale voice traffic per annum the equivalent of one in 10 voice calls globally.

The business also operates the world’s largest wholly owned submarine fibre network and, when measured by internet routes, is the only Tier one provider in the top five providers within five continents.

A digital economy leader

As a key enabler of information and communication technologies to global enterprises, Tata Communications has led from the front in ensuring a robust digital ecosystem that is equipped for the future. And it has the infrastructure that can cope with customers’ demands of intelligence, scalability, and flexibility.

Tata Communications’ services portfolio includes predictable high-speed connections and global MPLS virtual private networks, telepresence services, DDoS mitigation and detection service, content delivery networks, and cloud offerings.

Tata Communications provides customized network solutions for customers in key markets—including verticals like manufacturing, oil and gas, banking, financial services and insurance, and media and entertainment—offering customers speed, quality, and unparalleled network reach.

Ensuring the company is supported by productive digital technologies is key to delivering the best service to customers and internal employees.

Challenges

- Become more proactive and predictive with customer service involving breakages and other incidents
- Provide customers the same event and remediation visibility as Tata Communications enjoys
- Mitigate incident impact to deliver near-100% availability to customers
- Partner with a provider to execute the organisation's digital strategies

Solutions

- ServiceNow Customer Service Management
- Drives automation and other efficiencies
- Provides customers with responsive, transparent incident resolution services

Results

- Now provides responsive, transparent incident resolution services to customers
- Plans to deploy machine learning to correlate events and services between different networks and different solutions
- Plans to deploy a ServiceNow-based app and portal with a 360-degree view of service data to customers and employees

Becoming proactive and predictive

A key challenge for the team was to become more proactive and predictive in its customer service during breakages and other incidents involving Tata Communications' global, capital-intensive networks.

The need to confront and overcome this challenge grew daily. With Tata Communications' customers increasingly dependent on the digital economy, outages or degraded network performance impacted revenue significantly. For new digital-only businesses, high network availability and strong performance was integral to their success.

As its initial goal, the team wanted to give customers the same event and remediation visibility that Tata Communications' own business and technical teams enjoy. Ultimately, the team wanted to mitigate the impact of incidents to the point of delivering near-100% availability to customers.

ServiceNow selected

Following an intensive review process, the team selected ServiceNow® Customer Service Management to deliver the first stage of a project that will eventually drive automation and further efficiencies throughout the broader Tata Communications business.

The deployment was completed in 90 days with a small team using minimal customization, and the business is comforted by the fact that implementing additional functionality will not require a steep learning curve.

Tata Communications chose ServiceNow because it wanted to work with a company that was at the forefront of technology, that it could partner with, and that had the flexibility and agility to provide the services and tools that met the organisation's needs. The other

tools the business looked at required extensive customisation and the team wanted an off-the-shelf, cloud-based, software as a service, 100% digital solution.

Delivering automated, responsive services

Deploying Customer Service Management has enabled Tata Communications to provide responsive, transparent incident resolution services to customers. Next, the business plans to deploy machine learning to correlate events and services between different networks and different solutions. Furthermore, a ServiceNow-based app and portal will provide a 360-degree view of service data to customers and employees.

ServiceNow—a genuine partner

Tata Communications aims to work closely with ServiceNow as a genuine partner to execute its digital strategies so the organisation can ensure that automation brings operational efficiencies in areas such as field force and the completion of some highly repeatable tasks. The business looks forward to having the ServiceNow roadmap integrate with the Tata Communications roadmap to fulfil its digitisation needs.

The business plans to extend the use of Customer Service Management to other business units, while it deploys the IT Service Management and Field Service Management modules to support its customer and IT service transformation initiatives. Tata Communications has now established a platform to deliver “100% availability and customer delight.” It realises this end state is definitely possible if Tata Communications can provide proactive and predictable support and services to customers using ServiceNow.