

## Cameroon fiber optic cable lines haphazardly connected



### Overview

In a statement released on September 11, 2024, the telecom regulator, ART, attributed this issue to the "continuous degradation" of the national fiber optic network and called for a reevaluation of the network's maintenance practices. As the controversy over telecom quality of service continues, MTN Cameroon said this week that fibre destruction has increased by more than 40% this year compared to the previous year. Following previous disruptions to phone and data services, the company highlighted worries over the state-owned. In recent days, many consumers in Cameroon have taken to social media to voice their frustration over the declining quality of services from telecom operators Orange and MTN. Plans are underway to add more than 4,000 kilometers of fiber, expanding the backbone to about 17,000–22,000 km and improving. Camtel, Cameroon's national telecommunications provider, is urging government authorities, businesses, and local communities to take action to safeguard the country's vital telecom infrastructure. The call comes amid growing concerns about ongoing damage to the fiber optic network, which is.



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### Cameroon's Fiber Network Issues Disrupt Telecom Services

One of the main reasons for the recent drop in mobile service quality is the ongoing degradation of the national fiber optic network. This was confirmed by Philémon Zoo Zame, the Director General of the

Cameroon

The Central Africa Backbone (CAB) project aims to connect the countries of the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS) via high-speed telecommunications infrastructure. Within this

Camtel to roll out extra 3,500km of fiber optic cable starting in 2024

Cameroon's incumbent telecom operator, Camtel, has announced the deployment of an additional 3,500 km of fiber optic cable starting in 2024. Speaking about the project last October 17

Cameroon: An agreement between the State and Camtel provides that ...

As a reminder, with a fibre optic network officially estimated at 10,000 km, two operational landing stations for submarine cables (Wacs and Sat 3), and two other under construction or

Cameroon to connect fibre optic network with Central

Cameroon has signed a MoU with Central African Republic (CAR) that will see the two countries' communications networks interconnected by

Disruptions in internet connection, calls: Telecommunications ...

In a recent outing, CAMTEL had decried what its officials said are acts of sabotage and vandalism on its fibre optic network essential to the functioning of key enterprises nationwide.

MTN and Orange blame poor service delivery in Cameroon on Optic

Mobile network carriers in the country have recently traded blame for poor service quality, attributing it to Camtel's optic fibre connectivity.

"Isolated" Chad looks to neighbours for internet access after ...

Authorities in the country have been unable to reestablish internet connections since the blackout began 10 days ago. Chad lost internet access when fibre-optic cables in Cameroon, the

CAMTEL gets big gov't support to boost optical fibre network

Government has officially handed over to Cameroon Telecommunications, CAMTEL, a 78-strand fibre optic cable deployed overhead in the Southern Interconnected Grid, SIG, along the

#### Camtel Urges National Effort to Protect Cameroon's Fiber Optic Network

The issue is escalating. MTN Cameroon reported a 40% increase in fiber optic cable cuts this year compared to 2023. In a notice issued on September 23, MTN labeled the situation as

#### Internet Access in Cameroon: The Race to Connect a Nation

Cameroon's fiber backbone extends over 12,000 kilometers and is connected to five landfall cables: SAT-3, WACS, ACE, SAIL, and NCSCS, with SAIL linking Kribi to Brazil.

#### Equatorial Guinea and Cameroon are now more connected

Equatorial Guinea is already connected to Ceiba-1, which connects Malabo to Bata, and ACE Cable. The Ceiba-2 cable, that is the first direct international fiber-optic connection in the

#### Chad Looks to Western Neighbors for Internet Access After Protracted ...

Yaounde — Officials in Chad are stepping up efforts to connect the central African state to a regional fiber-optic network after cable breakages caused by flooding in neighboring Cameroon caused ...

#### Camtel takes over management of 812 km+ of fiber optic cable

The Cameroon government has transferred the management of more than 812 km of fiber optic cable to incumbent telecommunications operator Camtel. The transition was made official by an

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#### Cameroon: Over \$45 Million Invested in Fiber, Yet Impact Lags

Cameroon invested \$45.2-54.2 million in fiber optic infrastructure, but it remains largely underutilized. Consumers continue to report declining telecom service quality, despite investments. Camtel, the

#### Cameroon: MTN And Orange Highlight Challenges With Fibre

“In effect, multiple disruptions on the optic fibre backbone between Douala and Yaounde are currently hampering the functioning of voice and data equipment in the two cities and other parts

#### Mitwa Ng'ambi (MTN): August Marked Record Highs in Fiber Optic ...

In an exclusive interview with Business in Cameroon, the CEO of MTN Cameroon echoes these concerns. She expresses alarm over the increasing frequency of fiber optic outages

MTN GlobalConnect and CAMTEL Accelerate Cameroons Fibre

As Cameroon's telecommunication infrastructure operator, CAMTEL ambitions to position itself as the digital hub for the Central Africa region with cross-border fibre optics connectivity to extend its solid

South Atlantic Inter Link connecting Cameroon to Brazil fully connected ...

The South Atlantic Inter Link (SAIL) consortium announced the completion of the close to 6000km marine installation of its 25-year life- span transatlantic fiber optic subsea cable on September 4th.

Satellite Internet and the Disruption of Telecommunications ...

In terms of accessibility, Starlink provides internet connectivity in remote and underserved areas where fiber optic cables and cellular towers are absent or underdeveloped.

Internet Access in Cameroon: The Race to Connect a Nation

Key Infrastructure: Fiber, Mobile, and Fixed Networks Cameroon's internet infrastructure is a mix of an expanding fiber-optic backbone, extensive mobile networks, and a limited fixed-line

Telecom regulator announces audit of National Fiber Optic Network ...

The government-ordered audit aims to assess the current state of the national fiber optic network, which is crucial for ensuring the proper functioning of telecommunications services.

Empowering Connectivity through Broadband Mapping

A GIS tool aiming at helping to address connectivity gaps and enhance affordability and resilience strategies. It offers expert assistance in geospatial technologies, including map visualization of key

Cameroon and several African countries disconnected due to faulty ...

Since March 14, a major disruption to Internet access has been affecting Cameroon and several other African countries due to the breakage of submarine cables. The damaged cables,

CAMTEL tells Orange Cameroun to stop blame game, improve

State-owned telco, Cameroon Telecommunications, (CAMTEL), has refuted allegations that it is responsible for the deterioration in the quality of electronic communications on the Orange

## Cameroun

Cameroon is at the center of the CAB to provide the essential telecommunications links between the Central African States, ensure their connection to the global fiber optic network and thus enable the

Nexans Connects Brazil to Cameroon in Its First Ever

The submarine fiber optic cables were manufactured and tested by Nexans Norway at its facility in Rognan, Norway. The submarine fiber optic cable

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