

# **NXT**DIGITAL Limited Performance Update & Vision

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#### NXTDIGITAL: India's premier integrated digital distribution platform



# Digital Content Delivery

#### **Delivering services through multiple avenues**

25-year legacy of delivering digital content services via HITS and Cable TV as a Multi Systems Operator (MSO)

700+ TV services across India through HITS

730+ TV services in 100+ key cities through Cable TV

Total Subscriber base of > 5.23mn on HITS and CATV

Managed Services Only platform to offer Managed Services to other MSOs and LCOs nationwide

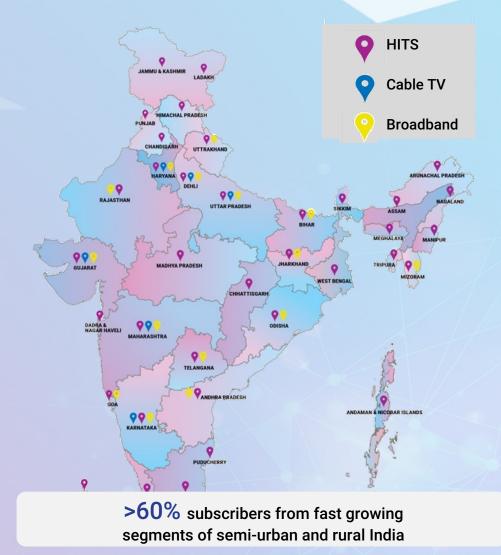
>5.16 mn subscribers under executed managed services contracts – onboarding commenced

E2E technology Infrastructure provided to MSO customers leveraging HITS

Broadband Services >5,000 kms of Underground & Overhead optical fibre networks delivering high speed internet and FTTH

Broadband subscriber base of >350,000 users

~70,000 Buildings Ready for Installation



Presence in over 1,500 cities and towns across India with >30,000 feet-on-street

#### Sustainable and growth-oriented business model in play



Only Multi-System Operator in the country with a "pre-paid" base of over 99.5%

Only dual service with a HITS platform in Asia

Delivering maximum number of TV channels across cable & satellite

Delivering services pan-India to over 1,500 locations > 50% districts

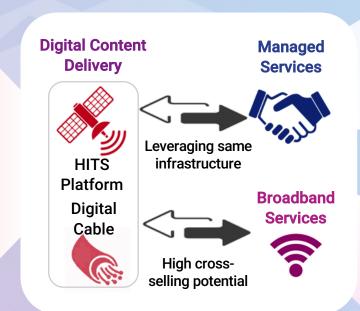
Network of **over 9,000 franchisees** across the country

Sophisticated broadcasting centre in Noida & data centre in Mumbai

**85% of LCOs** collecting from customers through digital means

>70% of subscriber base of 5.23mn estimated to use digital payment

**Focus on KPIs** like On-Time & Same-Month Renewal, churn etc.



Only platform to offer "Managed Services" to other MSOs & LCOs, pan-India

Existing contracts for ~5.16mn customers pending execution

No additional technology or capacity required for subscriber addition

Will help regional and independent MSOs sustain and grow

Leverage **existing CATV customers** for increasing subscriber base

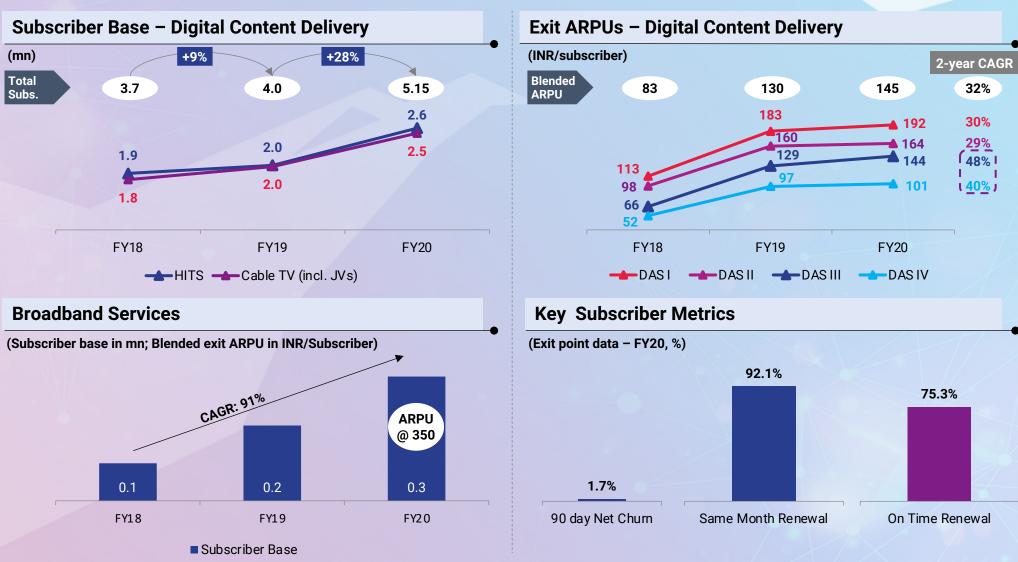
- ~70,000 buildings ready for installation
- >350,000 subscribers and a steady growing base under the flagship One GigaFiber

Well laid out business model with sizeable addressable market and high operational leverage



#### Strong operating metrics leading to robust financial turnaround in FY20 (1/2)

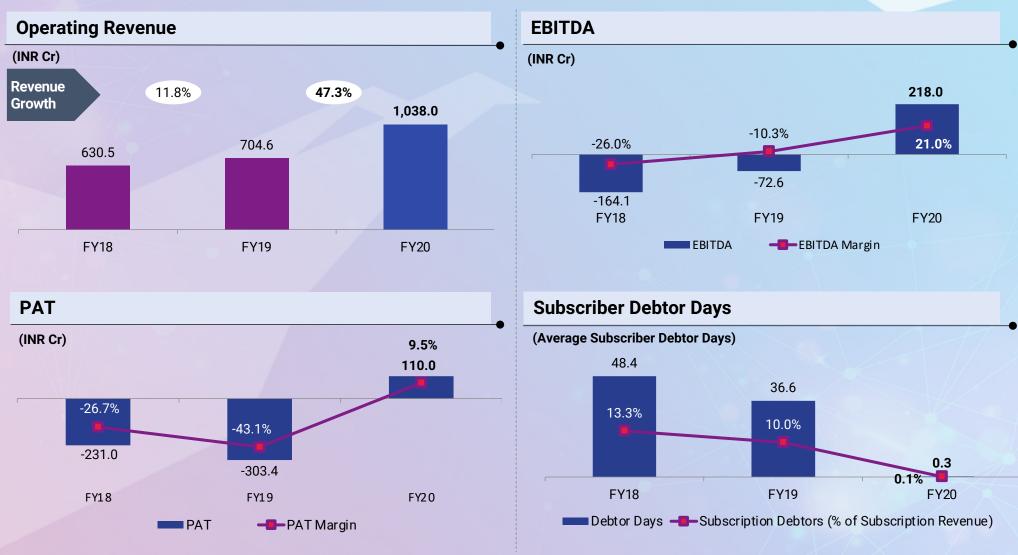




Focused on key performance indices to set the tone for a turnaround

#### Strong operating metrics leading to robust financial turnaround in FY20 (2/2)





Successfully managed to turnaround the business through key sustainable initiatives and the stimulus of NTO 1.0

#### State-of-Play Q1FY21 | Environment & Industry

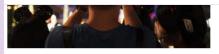


The Indian Media & Entertainment (M&E) industry has been impacted significantly by the Covid-19 pandemic in Q1

THE ECONOMIC TIMES

# Media, entertainment sector revenue could take 16 pc hit in FY21: Crisil

"The ongoing economic slowdown, made worse by the COVID-19 pandemic, is set to cull Indian media and entertainment industry's revenue by 16 per cent - or Rs 25,000 crore - to Rs 1.3 lakh crore this fiscal," it said.



The industry would take a hit of around 18 per cent in revenue from advertisement that accounts for nearly 45 per cent of total income, while the subscription earning that

contributes 55 per cent will be relatively resilient with a likely decline of 14 per cent, Crisil said in a report.



### All work, no pay: Cable TV industry struggles to keep head above water

The sector has been working against the tide to keep locked down citizens well-informed and well-entertained during the pandemic. With payment collections down 84 percent and consumers turning more value-conscious, the industry is fighting a tough battle.

Even as cable operators keep their masts flying high, however, their coffers have been running dry. The report states collections are down 84 percent and the sale of new set-top boxes has fallen 75 percent. That's hardly surprising.

With the country under lockdown, collections have suffered as housing societies ban outside members, including Local Cable Operator (LCO) agents, from entering their premises. Even with the introduction of digital modes of payment, only 50 percent payment is being received month on

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### 77% of cable TV operators expect a decline in revenue in 2020-2021: INTIN Study

Post lockdown, the study reveals, 77% multiple system operators (MSOs) expect a decline in revenue in 2020-2021. Out of this, 32% of MSO expect the drop to be greater than 25%. Operators expect a decrease in revenues due to reduction in ARPU as subscribers will try to go to cheaper packs. In order to halt this, broadcasters-cable operators should together/ alone launch "targeted consumer offers" using trackable technology.

According to the report, 41% of operators reported that their subscribers deleted channels from packages while 46% operators saw no change. Out of this, demand for news





Coronavirus impact: Events, entertainment industry says Covid-19 hit 60 million livelihoods Tata Sky to switch off channels to cut monthly bills for 7 million subscribers



Not just AXN & Dilli Aaj Tak, 40 more channels could shut down, TV industry fears



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Cable TV operators' revenue hit during lockdown



Coronavirus crisis: Why television industry is bleeding despite record consumption



#### State-of-Play Q1FY21 | NXTDIGITAL Limited



Against the challenges, NXTDIGITAL has continued to grow its business through innovative strategies whilst ensuring safety of all staff, franchisees & subscribers

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## Accelerated "digital payment" adoption for subscribers

Focused on helping franchisees (Local Cable Operators or LCOs) go "digital" i.e. collecting subscription through on-line methods.

Partnered with EASEBUZZ (a digital payments mechanism) even before lock-down to support "contactless" subscription renewals between subscribers and franchisees. The service facilitates payments through Netbanking, Credit & Debit Cards, Google Pay, PayTM, UPI and other wallet mechanisms.

Conducted online workshops for LCOs across India - to **educate/support transitioning** to digital collections.

Current LCO "digital payment from customer" base is ~85% and estimates indicate collection through digital media @ >70% of subscriber base.

Focused on converting **Direct Point** customers to contactless renewals. **Digital payments now >95%**.

Engaged LAZYPAY to support customers seeking short-term credit for renewals

Content Innovation & Creditrisk mitigation

> Innovation in packaging to mitigate demands for "post-paid" and/or "credit periods"; whilst ensuring customer access to quality content at low costs

**Launched lo-risk credit-based** "Vishesh Manoranjan Pack" and free "Infopack"

Developed "discounted" Long Duration Recharge offers for popular packs



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LANGUAGE	CURRENT LCO PORTAL PRICE PER MONTH	NEW DISCOUNTED LCO PORTAL PRICE FOR 3 MONTHS	EFFECTIVE NEW LCO PORTAL PRICE PER MONTH
MARATHI	₹ 221.52	₹ 598.09	₹ 199.36
HINDI	₹ 224.71	₹ 606.69	₹ 202.23
GUJARATI	₹ 225.50	₹ 608.84	₹ 202.95
KANNADA	₹ 224.71	₹ 606.71	₹ 202.24
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#### Implementation of a "Business Continuity Plan"

Ensured implementation of "Business Continuity Plan" framework across all functions and hierarchies

Implemented L3 processes to keep the technical facilities and technical functions operational 24x7

**Re-assigned resources** to LCO & customerfacing functions Set up field & function reporting & monitoring to **ensure minimal complacency** – as well as take corrective action/measures.

Developing contactless technical support to ensure safety of stakeholders

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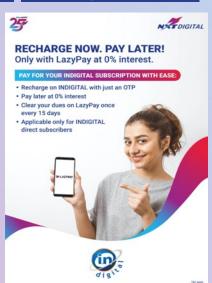
NXTDIGITAL rolled out a slew of initiatives for both, franchisees (LCOs) and subscribers - to add value during the challenges of the lockdown

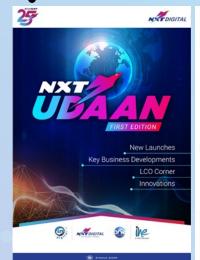
















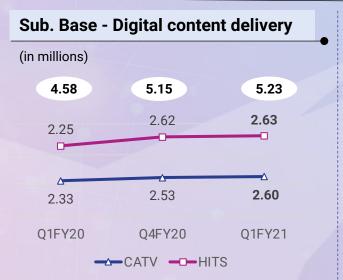


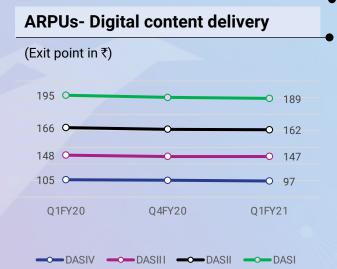


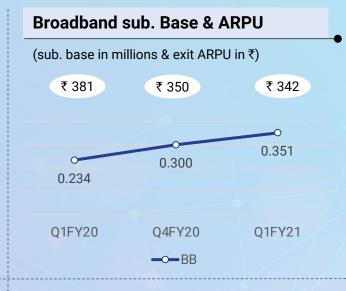
#### Q1 strategy reflected in strong KPIs

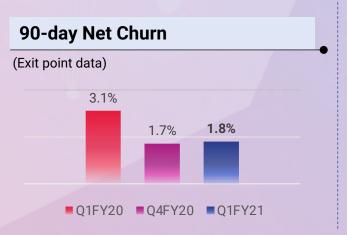


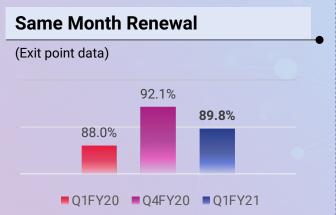
The Q1 focus on retention through the initiatives have helped in ring-fencing key metrics like control of churn and maintaining On-Time Renewals

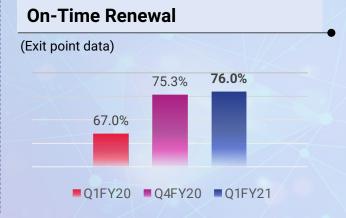












All key metrics have continued to remain stable or grow through a Covid-impacted quarter



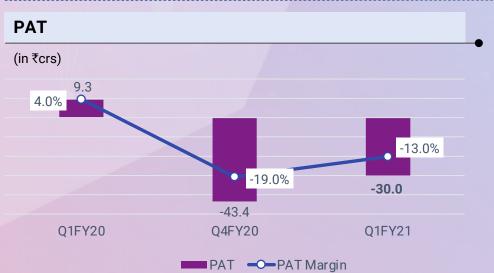
#### Maintaining a robust performance in Q1



The KPI performance is reflected in another strong quarterly fiscal performance, with a continuing growth in top-line and EBITDA











# Strategy & Outlook | Q2+Q3



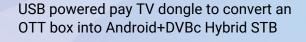
#### Q2+Q3 Vision



NXTDIGITAL is looking to launch new products and solutions to leverage the onset of the festival season and help customers derive maximum value.

The "NXTGO" solution is an innovative device that can be plugged into an OTT STB or an Android-based television and provide immediate access to "live" television channels -

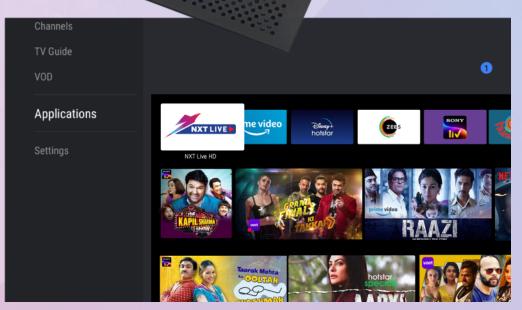
securely.



USB powered pay TV dongle to convert an Android-based TV into a hybrid TV, able to access "live" TV channels

Customers can select "live" TV packages and access OTT content, seamlessly

The "NXTLIVE" app gives instant access to the entire bouquet of TV channels offered by NXTDIGITAL!











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#### Q2+Q3 Vision

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Turn any TV into a "smart connected" TV with the advanced "NXTCONNECT" hybrid Set Top Box!

The "NXTCONNECT" STB is a single device for accessing "live" television channels, OTT content, social and other apps, games & much more.

NXTCONNECT is a next-generation device serving as a "central home media hub"; and provides a high level of sophistication and interactivity for information and entertainment.



GOOGLE VOICE ASSISTANT Voice Search - Say it and Discover



YOUTUBE APP See what the World is Watching



GAMES Play Games on the Big Screen



Pair it. Enjoy it.



GOOGLE SEARCH
Discover more about the World



IN-BUILT CHROME CAST
Cast your content from any device



KARAOKE Sing along your favourite tunes



MOBILE REMOTE Make your phone a remote



GOOGLE PLAY STORE Install your favourite apps



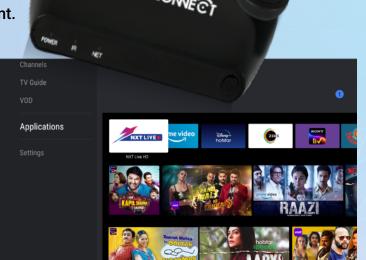
HOME AUTOMATION
Turn your Home to a Smart Home



LIVE TV Unlimited live entertainment



PRE-INSTALLED OTT SERVICES
Enjoy your favourite shows





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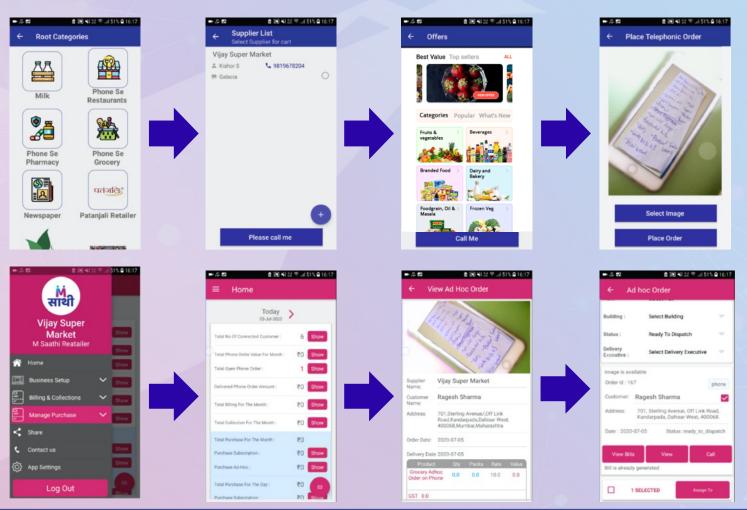
#### Q2+Q3 Vision



"M-SAATHI"....A Cloud-based mobile app to allow customers to gain easy access to local services in their community, managed by NXTDIGITAL franchisees.

The solution is designed to provide a new revenue stream for our thousands of franchisees (LCOs) across India

- in line with our Hinduja Group principle of establishing "partnership for growth".



The proposition is to jointly create a "Neighborhood Marketplace" enabled by mobile app so that a consumer can access local merchants

The objective is to build a strong ecosystem of local merchants around the LCO – connecting merchants to consumers, seamlessly.

Service will also be used by franchisee for "contactless" collection of cable TV or broadband subscriptions; and upselling new products and solutions.

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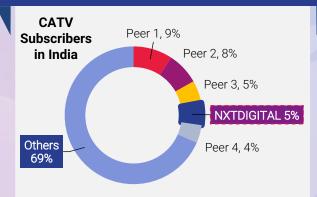
# **Strategy & Outlook | Vision**



#### Future growth drivers firmly in place



# Managed Services & Acquisitions



Potential to **offer services to peers** and **emerge as a significant player** basis the unique technology deployed

Fragmented CATV market with 69% of the ~100mn CATV base comprising smaller MSOs – ranging in size from 50,000 to 250,000; and in exceptional cases up to 1mn

Several MSOs looking to either reduce operating expenses as well as stay relevant in the new digital era; or exit the business

NXTDIGITAL can look to expand its serviced base from >10mn to around 30% of this base, either through managed services or acquisitions; taking its total serviced subscribers to >30mn

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#### **The Digital Boutique**



NXTDIGITAL has all the elements for a pan-India E2E digital play and beyond...

Captive reach (via CATV & HITS), broadband & FTTH (via OIL) and content (via INE). Further extensive **reach to over 50mn touch points** through group companies

In the emerging digital play, NXT will look to **offering integrated digital solutions** to its own subscribers as well as those of managed services customers.

Services would include home surveillance, telemedicine and learning – focusing on the emerging semi-urban, semi-rural & rural markets

Helping its E2E ecosystem grow by **developing franchisees** into not just digital solutions providers but also **marketing channels** for group and other company products; **ranging from FMCG to financial products** 

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#### **Satellite Media Services**



NXTDIGITAL is poised to optimize satellite services – basis it's national network of franchisees and its inherent expertise of delivering services via satellite

Can deliver broadband to lo/no broadband penetrated markets; leveraging NXT's network of over 1,600 points-of-presence and ~30,000 Feet-on-Street

Can **deliver OTT caching services** for OTT platforms to the edge of networks – **reducing dependencies on expensive CDNs** – especially in markets outside of Tier I cities.

Can **extend this to providing low-cost OTT** over satellite to these yet-to-be-tapped markets, ensuring retention and ARPU growth.

NXTDIGITAL can also look to **expand its** service base across its satellite footprint, covering SAARC countries, subject to regulations

#### In review...opportunities to accelerate the growth curve





#### **Digital Services Company**

360<sup>0</sup> presence across distribution platforms - digital cable, HITS, wireline broadband to own 5.2mn+ subscribers.

Significant presence in the fastest growing demographics of semi-urban & rural India



### Defined "inherent" growth strategies

Opportunities for "bundled" products and cross-selling services to existing base

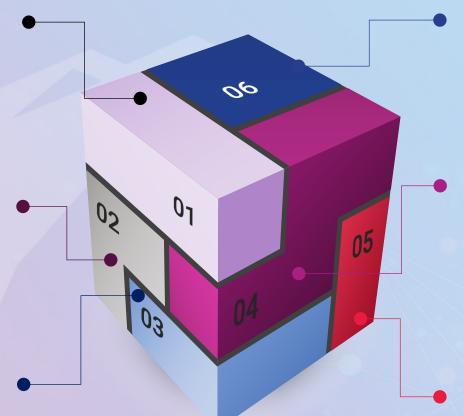
Grow ARPUs through upselling and leveraging the FTA to HD lifecycle



#### **Managed Services Growth Driver**

Contracted for ~5.16mn; onboarding in progress.

Market potential includes existing peers as well as regional & independent MSOs who comprise 69mn TV HHs





#### **Emerging technology opportunities**

Optimise infrastructure and LCO network to launch services like broadband, OTT and CDN over satellite.



#### **Expansion Possibilities**

Capability to expand to new markets by offering HITS services in Africa, Bangladesh and other parts of Asia, subject to regulations



#### Leverage the pan-India network

Grow the E2E ecosystem by developing loyal franchisees into marketing channels for products

Optimise the >30,000 feet-on-street and >1,600 PoPs



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