

India Smart Grid Forum



Digitalisation of Utilities

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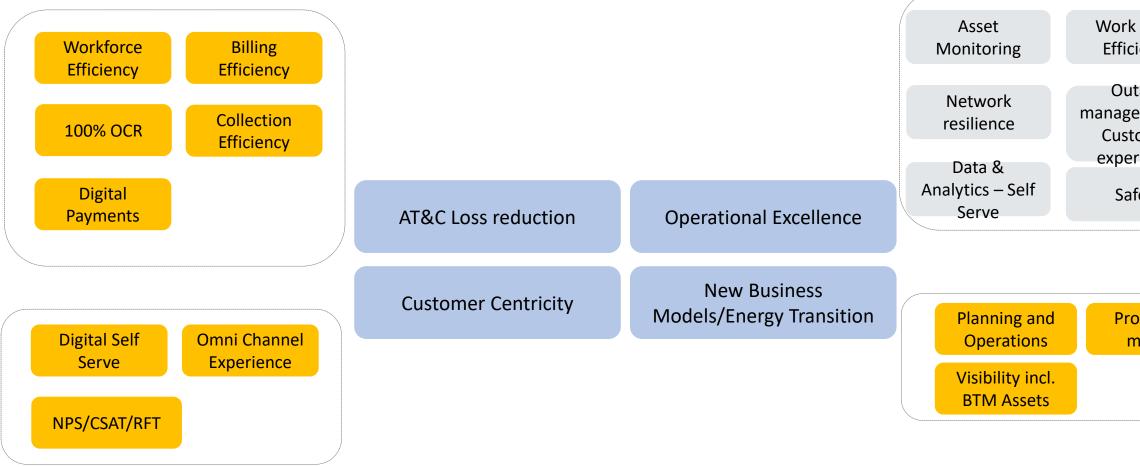






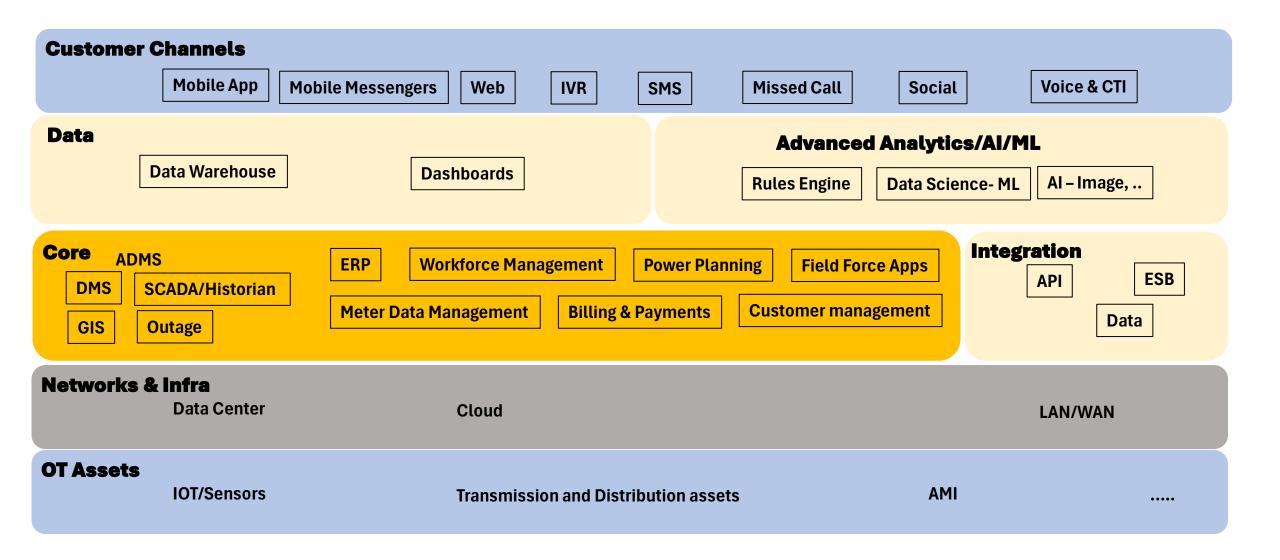
Business goals & Emerging Challenges





Existing Technology Landscape





Billing Efficiency



Al enabled OCR based Meter Reading

- Meter readers use OCR enabled spot meter reading and billing app for door to door meter reading and billing.
- All powered OCR technology extracts meter reading from meter images and reduces manual intervention in meter reading process.



Detection of tamper from meter photos via Image Analytics

- Meter Images are captured during door to door spot billing
- Processed through an image analytics application for tamper detection

Technology:- Image analytics



Collection Efficiency



Dynamic QR code for payment

- Every consumer can have a permanent distinct QR code (in the form of a sticker or card).
- The Tata Power QR code is UPI intent based and consists of the CA number and a deep link encrypted inside.

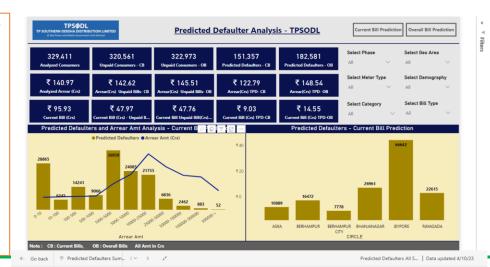
Technology:-Integration



Payment Prediction dashboard – Defaulter Analysis

- Consumer wise prediction (with individual percentage likelihood of default) using ML for focused collection drives
- Model prepared based on past consumer behavior, category, area (urban/rural), geography, etc.

Technology:- Supervised Learning

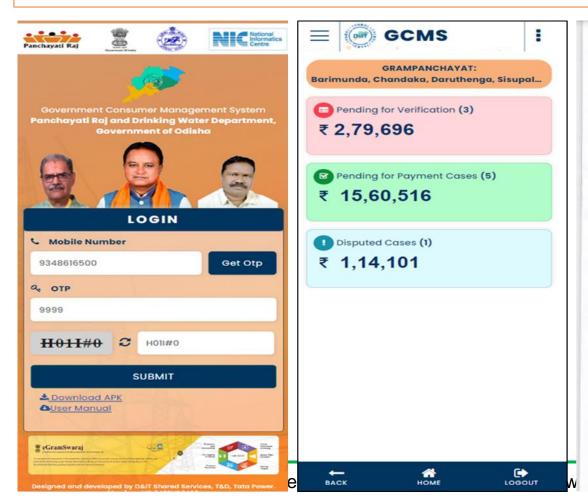


Collection Efficiency



Government Consumer Management System

- Mobile app and web application to enable Gram Panchayats to pay their electricity dues.
- First utility in India to integrate with Gol's e-Gram Swaraj system to facilitate online payment by Gram Panchayats.
- Timely reconciliation of payments and resolution of bill disputes



F. No. 12/11/2021-UR&SI-II-(E-258371) Government of India Ministry of Power

Shram Shakti Bhawan, Rafi Marg New Delhi, Dated: 28th June, 2024

To

Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/ Secretary (Energy/ Power) of all States and UTs.

Subject: Integration of eGram Swaraj Portal with DISCOM Bill Payment Systems.

Sir/ Madam,

With reference to the above cited subject, I am directed to say that Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) vide letter no. M-11015/122/2024-FD dated 22.6.2024 (Annexure-I), has informed about an initiative taken to integrate its flagship portal https://egramswaraj.gov.in/, with the electricity bill payment interface of respective DISCOMs of various states.

3. It has further informed that as a pilot project, the electricity bill payment interface of the Odisha DISCOMs (Tata Power) has been successfully integrated with the eGram Swaraj portal. This initiative allows the PRIs of Odisha to make online payments for their electricity bills, promoting ease of payment and enabling DISCOMs to monitor pending payments more effectively.

Customer experience

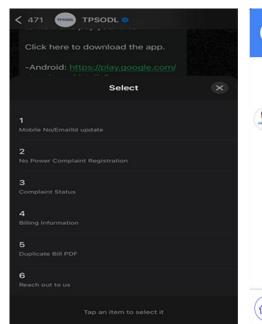


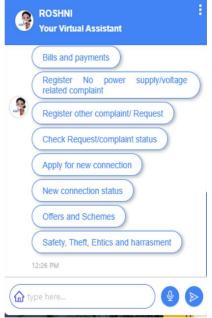
SELF SERVE :- No Power Complaint Resolution-Missed Call, Whatsapp and Customer Portal/App

- No Power Complaint can be raised by consumers by simply giving a missed call to a designated number from their registered phone number
- In customer app/portal, consumer can raise a No Power Complaint via single click of a button.

SELF SERVE :- Chatbot-Website and WhatsApp

- Self Serve Opportunities for various complaints
- Chatbot available in Website as well as via interactive WhatsApp bot





Customer Experience



Social Listening

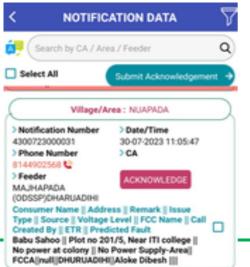
- One Integrated tool for Listening and Response to most digital platforms(Twitter, FB..)
- Sentiments cloud based on word/tags
- Continuous Improvement projects for Areas of Customer dissatisfaction
- Handle with care processes Desks High Influencers

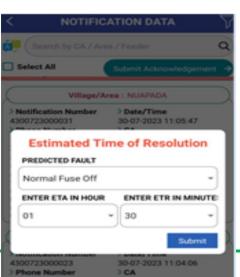
Technology – Software as a service (Reusable for Renewables and EV), ML for sentiment Analytics, Gen AI for response Drafting

Auto Allocation & NP Mobile App

 No Power Complaint from various auto allocated to Lineman in the specific areas







Workforce Automation and Operations



Central Workforce Scheduling Platform

Unified Work force platform to

- Master Field force details
- Task Allocation and Sequence/Schedule
- Tracking of workforce
 - Track actual work duration, movement duration and idle duration
 - Next day allocation/Same day allocation
 - Live Location tracking
 - Route optimization

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GIS, ADMS and Integration

- One network model providing a single view of all work across distribution network operations in real-time.
- Integrated and optimized operational workflows, streamlined across GIS, ADMS, AMI

End Use BDR

- Behavioral demand response campaigns
- Inhouse Built Digital platform
- Part of Tata Power Meter data Management portfolio

Workforce Automation and Operations



Safety Initiatives

- Digitization of Permit to work (PTW) process for Maintenance tasks
- Multiple safety checks and parameters aimed at minimizing the risk of accidents and ensuring adherence to safety protocols.
- ML Based Safety Gear / Equipment Assessment and validation before Issuing the PTW (Helmet/Harness, Neon Tester etc..)

Power Planning and Management - DISCOM

- Load forecast
- Demand supply matching
- Scheduling and Settlement
- Price Forecast

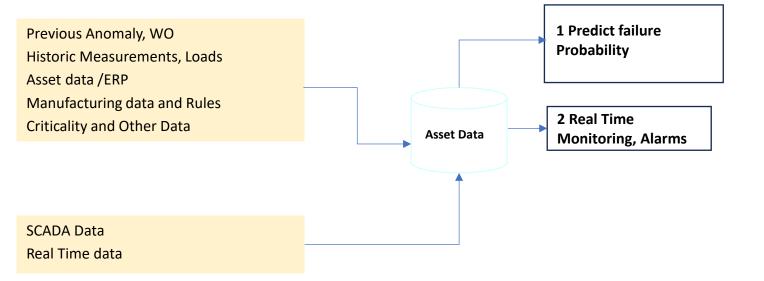
Technology:- Supervised Learning, Python

Asset Management and Predictive Maintenance



Use cases :-

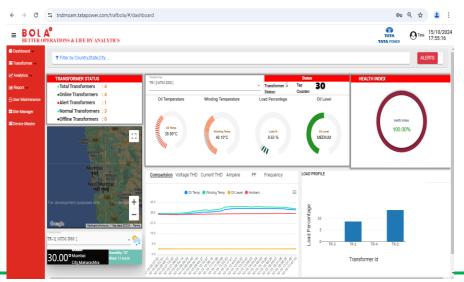
- Targeted Preventive maintenance for Individual Assets based on Advanced Analytics to predict failure (Machine Learning Models)
- 2. Monitoring and Alerts Management
- 3. CAPEX Planning



Equipment - Distribution transformer

Use Cases

- Detect/predict abnormal rise of critical parameters
- Track high temperature for Non-Thermal-scanning parts
- Tracking moisture ingress in panels
- 4. Oil temperature
- 5. Alarms Notifications



Foundations & Enablers for Transformation



1 Enterprise Service Bus

- Agility Build API Library and Deliver with minimal cost
- 2. Deliver at Scale & Protect Business applications
- 3. Build Resilience and Queues

2 Public Cloud

- 1. Scale, Business & Technology Agility
- 2. Innovation (Industry 4, AI ML, Data Analytics) & Resilience
- 3. Cost savings

3 Enterprise Data Lake & Big Data

- Single Golden integrated source of Data at very low cost
- 2. Foundation for Analytics, Machine learning, Dashboards, and Digital Twin

4 Cyber IT & OT :-

- 1. Brand reputation
- IT Security 24 by 7 Operations center (incl DevSecops)
- 3. OT Security

5 DR & BCP

- 1. Brand reputation and Resilience
- 2. Revenue Protection
- 3. Customer experience

6 Observability

- 1. Customer experience and 0/minimal down time
- 2. Best in class Tech Operations
- Visibility & Agility

Enablers

Digital Skills :- AI, ML, Data, RPA, Cloud, Cybersecurity

Digital Roadmap Aligned to Business Goals

Employees Adopt Digital and New Ways

Stakeholders Sponsorship

Meet

Cross Functional Collaboration

Investments for Long-Term and on Foundations

Future Trends and Technology



1 Overall Utilities central data and Visibility

- Single pane Utilities data for Business (SCADA, LV, Asset repository, Meter data, Historical/Measurements, Faults data, Service requests)
- Distributed Energy resources visibility including profiles
- 3. NW investments planning/Capacity Planning,
 Operations and Power planning needs (Day ahead
 and Intra day)

Technologies

- 1. Integrated OT IT Data lake incl DER Data
- 2. Near real time event processing framework
- 3. Rule/Condition based Model
- 4. ML Models
- 5. Public cloud as foundations

2 Maximize Field Productivity and Safety

- 1. Field force efficiency
- 2. Field force Promise and Customer experience

Technologies

- 1. SaaS/WFM Platforms with route Optimisation
- 2. Field force analytics and operations reports

3 Prosumer Business Model

- 1. P2P trading platforms and settlements
- 2. Visibility (&Control) for behind the meter generators

Technologies

- 1. Mobile app & Settlements
- 2. Block chain in cases of Inter Utilities P2P Trading

Future Trends and Technology



4 Customer experience and Self Serve

- 1. Omni channel experience and Self Serve
- 2. Simplify customer engagement process & 1 click
- 3. Contact center RFT and Fewer transfers (FO Back Office)
- 4. NPS / Satisfaction, Faster Connection
- 5. DPDP Digital Personal Data Protection

Technologies

- 1. Mobile messengers/Whatsapp/App/Social/Missed calls
- 2. ML for customer Intent and social sentiments
- 3. Customer single view / lake
- 4. AI/ML Text analytics and Gen AI
- 5. Re-Platform for DPDP Compliance

5 Asset Management & Predictive Maintenance

- 1. Transmission and Distribution Asset repository
- 2. Risk score and Telemetry
- 3. Predict failure and Probability
- 4. Scheduled Maintenance based on Probability of failure

Technologies

- Asset Repository & GIS with Common Information model
- 2. Integration across SAP, SCADA, IOT Devices, Asset repair data
- 3. ML Algorithms

6 Cloud is a Must

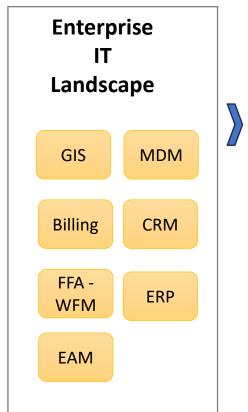
- 1. Big data AMI/Meter Data, IOT data, DER Data etc.
- 2. Innovation by AWS, GCP and Azure
- 3. AI ML Data innovations focused on only Cloud and Non existent on Data center

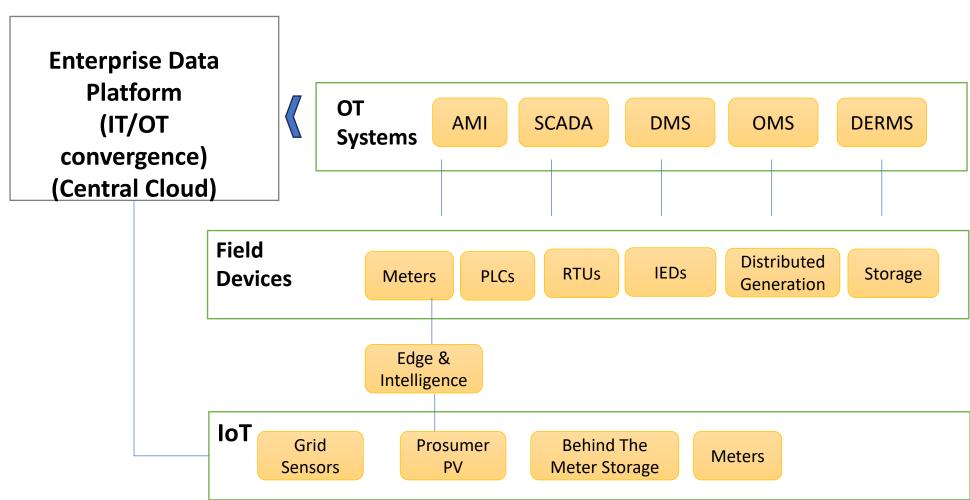
Technologies

- Data Lake
- 2. IOT Data ingestion services (IOT Core ..)
- 3. Al, ML, ML Ops and Gen Al Services
- 4. Low TCO compared to Data Center

Data the Foundation







2.0 - Capabilities



