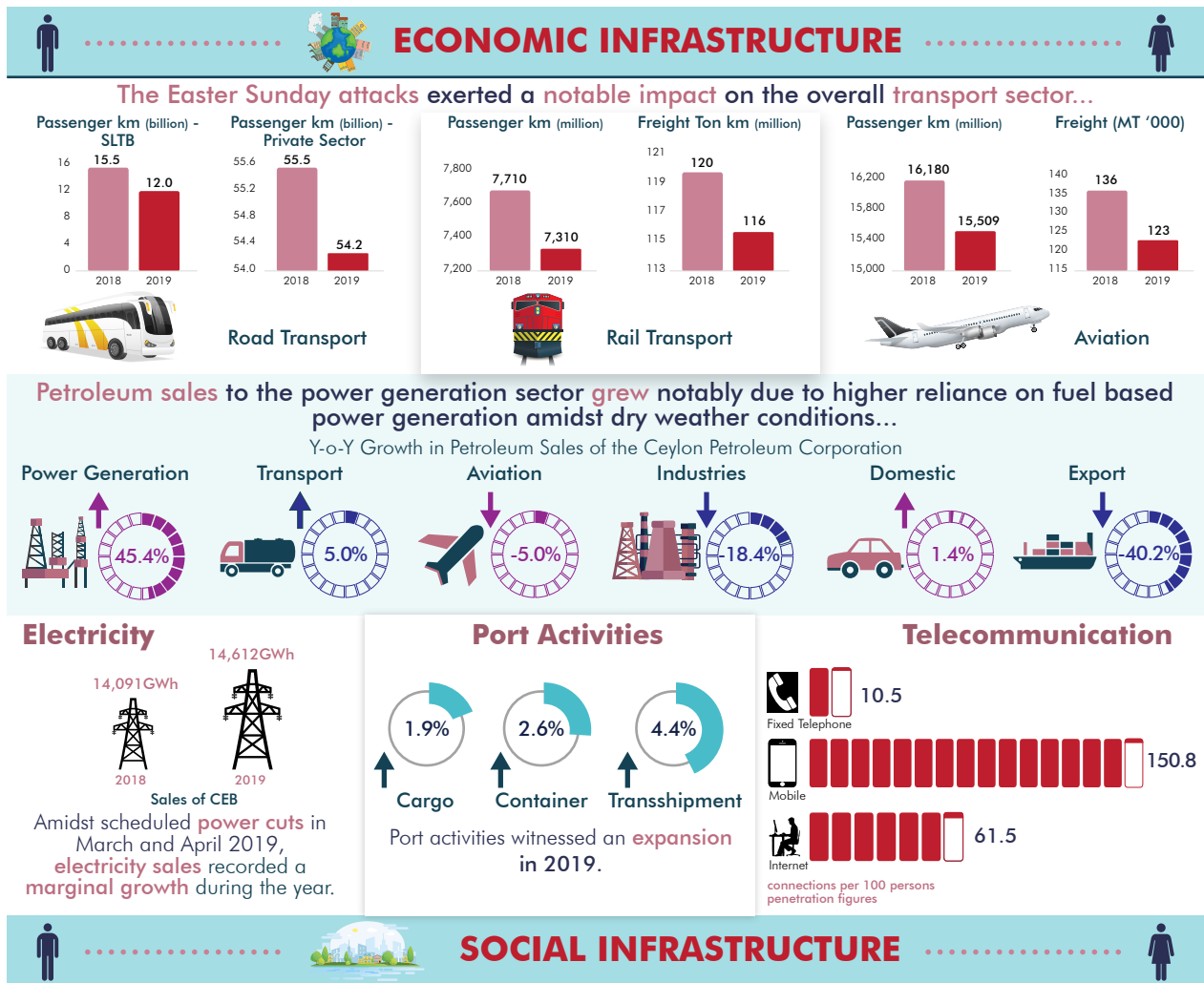


Figure 3.1  
Performance in relation to Economic and Social Overheads

The **GOVERNMENT**, in collaboration with the **PRIVATE** sector,  
continued to provide economic and social infrastructure in 2019



Government expenditure on health and education as a percentage of GDP amounted to 1.6 % and 1.9 %, respectively.



- 3.6 beds per 1,000 persons
- 1 doctor per 1,203 persons
- 1 nurse per 570 persons in government hospitals

### SAMURDHI SUBSIDY



Total subsidy payments increased from Rs.39.2 bn in 2018 to Rs.44.7 bn in 2019.

Number of Samurdhi recipient families increased from 1.4 mn in 2018 to 1.8 mn in 2019.



The literacy rate in 2018 slightly decreased compared to 92.6 per cent recorded in 2017.

### LITERACY

92.5%



93.4% (2018) MALE  
91.6% (2018) FEMALE

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