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## **Hughes Communication bags Rs 40-crore BSNL contract for seven years**

NEW DELHI: Broadband satellite networks provider [Hughes Communication](#) has won a Rs 40 crore seven-year contract from state-run Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd ([BSNL](#)) to expand satellite broadband connectivity in Andaman and Nicobar Islands and Lakshadweep. It said the contract will seek to address the growing bandwidth demand in these island regions, which are located beyond the reach of terrestrial technology.

With Hughes India, BSNL plans to expand satellite bandwidth in Andaman and Nicobar to 400 times the current capacity in two years and has already augmented available bandwidth in the island region from 240 Mbps to 1Gbps, the companies said.