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# Gujarat, Starlink Sign Pact to Boost Statewide Digital Connectivity

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The Gujarat government signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with Starlink, a satellite internet company owned by Elon Musk's SpaceX.

The agreement aims **to strengthen digital infrastructure across Gujarat.**

It will help bring **high-speed satellite internet** to areas where **regular network coverage is poor or unavailable.**

## **Where Connectivity Will Be Improved**

Remote, tribal, and border areas will get better internet access.

Key government facilities like **Common Service Centres (CSCs) and e-Governance offices will be connected.**

**Government schools and Primary Health Centres (PHCs)** will also **benefit** from improved internet.

## **Other Services That Will Improve**

**Tele-medicine services** can reach more people with better internet.

**Disaster management centres, ports, and wildlife areas** will be connected for safety and monitoring.

**Police outposts, industrial parks, wildlife monitoring and maritime/port operations** will get stronger connectivity.

## **Pilot Projects and Implementation**

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The pact includes **pilot projects to test satellite internet in these areas.**

### **Why This Is Important**

The move **supports Gujarat's Digital Connectivity Mission and India's Digital India vision.**

It will **help bridge the digital divide**, giving people in hard-to-reach areas access **to education, healthcare, government services, and economic opportunities.**