

Building back better with broadband

What is **REG4COVID?**

In March 2020, ITU launched the **REG4COVID** platform to enable members to share and draw on experiences, ongoing initiatives, and other immediate business, policy and regulatory measures being taken to ensure communities remain connected and safe during the pandemic through telecommunication/ICT.

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groups of stakeholders? What works and what doesn't work?

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Facing the emergency

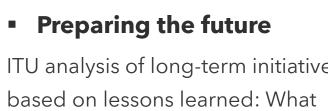
More than **500** entries worldwide. ITU analysis identified key insights into the most common responses.

ITU analysis of long-term initiatives next? Are these measures sustainable? How have regulatory frameworks evolved?

Explore the **report:**

www.itu.int/go/REG4COVID-report





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Preparing the future: New report highlights

- Four main challenges identified for countries to prepare the post-pandemic world : (i) addressing the digital divide; (ii) driving digital deepening; (iii) effecting digital transformation; and (iv) building digital resilience.
- A checklist of recommended actions and regulatory measures to assess your country's level of readiness.
- Extensive #REG4COVID data from our members:
 - An updated analysis of emergency responses by the Telecom/ICT sector
 - Responses from more than 50 countries to our survey on what has worked, what hasn't and long-term regulatory trends
- Case studies from all regions on innovative policies, closing the digital divide, vaccine distributions and more...

Pandemic in the Internet age

From second wave to new normal, recovery, adaptation and resilience



Key insights and learnings on recovery: focus on LDCs

- Initiatives shared through the #REG4COVID platform indicate common responses across levels of development, but populations in LDCs have faced specific challenges.
 - Examples from Afghanistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka indicate a very high increase in spending for connectivity and a drop in satisfaction with network performance.
- **Connectivity**: pandemic-driven data demand will put pressure on rapid deployment of 4G/5G coverage, yet some spending is being postponed in emerging countries.

Digital transformation:

- The limited digitization of companies, in emerging economies have limited their resilience. Measures focused solely on digital infrastructure may fall short of addressing the broader policy tenets of the digital economy.
- Remoteness, administrative weaknesses or lack of supporting infrastructure could impede vaccine distribution and prolong the crisis in LDCs.
- International and regional collaboration can create digital opportunities for LDCs in the recovery:
 - For example, Guinea is currently implementing a digital ID programme through the free open-source MOSIP system successfully developed in India. Such technologies can provide numerous solutions to pandemic and non-pandemic related challenges.



