

Singapore fiber optic cable collapse and disruption



Overview

The Land Transport Authority is investigating why a backup fibre-optic cable failed after construction works damaged underground lines on 18 April, disrupting Singapore's bus arrival timing system and causing broadband outages affecting about 5,000 subscribers. The fibre broadband outage affected more than 5,000 households in Ang Mo Kio, Bishan, Sengkang and Punggol for 20 hours on April 18. SINGAPORE – Asia Piling, a company involved in many public and commercial projects here, is the sub-contractor that hit critical underground fibre-optic cables. Singapore's fibre backbone has returned to normal after a critical infrastructure failure linked to major roadworks, sparing the nation from a prolonged digital blackout. Experts cite non-compliance with existing rules, outdated maps, and detection difficulties as key issues behind cable cuts, despite IMDA's. The authorities are looking into a disruption, on April 18, which was caused by “contiguous bored pile works” for the North-South Corridor project.



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About 700 users in Bedok face fibre broadband services disruption

SINGAPORE: A fibre service outage on Sunday (Sep 18) that affected broadband services in parts of Bedok has been resolved at 9pm, NetLink Trust said in a statement. In an initial

Thousands of M1 users hit by fibre broadband outage for 10 hours ...

The disruption comes a day after hundreds of Internet customers of all three telcos - Singtel, StarHub and M1 - could not surf the Web due to a fibre optic cable cut experienced by

LTA names Asia Piling for damaging fibre cables in Apr 18 broadband ...

SINGAPORE: Asia Piling Co was the sub-contractor that damaged fibre optic cables and caused a broadband service outage over the weekend, the Land Transport Authority (LTA) said on

PEACE Cable Cut in the Red Sea, Repair to be Prolonged

The PEACE cable link between Singapore and Marseille was put into service in last September. The PEACE cable has become an important high capacity route between Asia and

Fibre optic cable connecting Singapore to Pakistan & Europe cut

The fiber optic cable connecting Singapore to Pakistan and Europe was destroyed near Indonesia at various locations, impacting internet service in Southeast Asia, the Middle East, and

LTA probes backup cable failure after April outage disrupted

The Land Transport Authority is investigating why a backup fibre-optic cable failed after construction works damaged underground lines on 18 April, disrupting Singapore's bus arrival timing

5,000 broadband users facing outage; IMDA investigating ...

5,000 broadband users facing outage; IMDA investigating alleged NetLink Trust fibre cable cut during construction works Customers across internet service providers such as Singtel,

Asia Piling Co named for hitting fibre optic cables that ...

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Singapore Broadband Outage Resolved: Fibre Restored

On April 18, 2026, residents and businesses in parts of central and north-east Singapore awoke to a frustrating reality: their high-speed fibre broadband connections had vanished.

LTA probing backup cable failure after ...

SINGAPORE - The Land Transport Authority (LTA) is investigating why a backup fibre-optic cable meant to transmit bus location data failed to function as intended after construction works

Singtel, StarHub, M1 and MyRepublic customers affected by NetLink

Fibre network operator NetLink Trust - which provides the fibre infrastructure to Internet service providers (ISPs) Singtel, StarHub, M1 and MyRepublic - said in a statement that the

850 homes in Yio Chu Kang, Serangoon hit by fibre cable outage:

SINGAPORE - A fibre service outage disrupted the Internet connection of some 850 homes in Yio Chu Kang and Serangoon on Thursday, telco infrastructure provider NetLink Trust said

Contractor identified after fibre cable strike causes 20-hour outage in ...

Asia Piling Co damaged fibre cables, causing a 20-hour outage affecting over 5,000 households. Incident occurred during North-South Corridor construction involving bored piling works.

Fibre broadband services fully restored after alleged cable ...

Fibre broadband services to about 5,000 users in Ang Mo Kio, Bishan, Sengkang and Toa Payoh that were disrupted due to an alleged cable cut during third-party construction work on

China's Undersea Cable Sabotage and Taiwan's Digital Vulnerabilities

The economic impact of undersea cable disruptions is substantial. According to Taiwan's Ministry of Economic Affairs, the 2023 incidents alone cost millions of US dollars to repair. Further,

5,000 Singapore Fibre Users Reconnected After North-South Corridor ...

On Saturday, April 18, a bored pile operation for the North-South Corridor project severed fibre cables in four dense residential clusters: Ang Mo Kio, Bishan, Sengkang, and Toa Payoh.

Singapore Fiber Optic Outage Highlights Infrastructure Vulnerability ...

Broadband Outage Review ☐☐ Yesterday night, dozens of households across central and north-east Singapore felt a sudden digital silence as a construction mishap snapped critical fibre-optic...

Indonesia-Singapore underwater networks disrupted after anchor snags cable

<p>REPUBLIKA .ID, JAKARTA - Undersea fiber optic cables that linked Indonesia and Singapore were partially cut. The most likely cause of the incident was ships anchors as suction

2008 submarine cable disruption

The 2008 submarine cable disruptions were three separate incidents of major damage to submarine optical communication cables around the world. The first incident caused damage

How Did We Survive the Red Sea Fiber Optic Cable

This vital cable connects Europe, Africa, and the Middle East, and its disruption could have led to major impacts on global financial markets and international

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This incident highlighted the vulnerabilities in Singapore's otherwise robust Nationwide Broadband Network (NBN), managed by NetLink Trust, the passive infrastructure provider that lays

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Asia Piling Co named for hitting fibre optic cables that ...

Asia Piling Co hit fibre optic cables during North-South Corridor construction on Apr 18, causing a 20-hour broadband outage for over 5,000 households. Experts cite non-compliance with existing rules,

Subsea cables and their importance, explained

A look at why cable disruptions seem to be happening more frequently, and what's at stake for Southeast Asia and Singapore. Underwater

Analyzing the Internet Collapse | MIT Technology Review

Almost simultaneously, two separate undersea fiber-optic cables connecting Europe with Egypt, and eventually with the Middle East and India, were cut.

Contractor identified after fibre cable strike causes 20-hour outage in ...

Asia Piling Co has been identified as the subcontractor responsible for damaging underground fibre cables, causing a 20-hour outage affecting over 5,000 households across several

5,000 users hit by broadband services outage, IMDA preliminary

SINGAPORE: Construction activity damaged fibre infrastructure, leading to a service outage which affected broadband services for around 5,000 users in Ang Mo Kio, Bishan, Sengkang

Broadband outage: A look at past incidents of cable damage and their ...

SINGAPORE – About 5,000 users of broadband services in central and north-east Singapore were affected by a fibre service outage on April 18 caused by a contractor damaging

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