

Television signals can be received via aerial for terrestrial reception, via satellite as in case of DTH, via broadband connection as in the case of IPTV or via cable from local cable operator. The reception of television signals through satellite and broadband connection are already operating in digital mode and Government has, as a policy initiative, taken a decision to switch over to digital mode for reception of TV signals both in terrestrial mode as well as through cable from local cable operators. The switch over to digital mode for cable TV systems shall take place in phases and the first phase for digitalization of Cable Television shall take place in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai by June 30, 2012.

Digitalisation of Cable TV, put in simple words means, delivery of digital TV signal to the door-step of viewer. With this technology the viewers will get through cable, superior picture and sound quality, large bouquet of channels, choice of channels, games and movies on demand. The digital cable TV service will be available through a set top box.