# **DRM WEBINAR**

# **DRM Extra Features & Benefits A better Choice for Listeners**



# **DRM Consortium**



18<sup>th</sup> November 2013 10h00-11h30 GMT/UTC 15h30-17h00 India time





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# **DRM Webinar Topics**

- Introduction Dr. Amal Punchihewa (ABU)
- Key Features (Better Audio, More choice, Multimedia, Emergency Alert)
  - Alex Zink (Fraunhofer IIS)
- India Roll Out Mr. Yogendra Pal (Hon. Chairman, DRM Indian Platform)
- How Is the Roll out progressing in India Tim Hardy (Nautel)
- DRM Developments: chipsets on different platforms Dominic Pushparaj (NXP)
- From DRM Features to DRM Receivers and Listeners' Experience
  - T.V.B.Subrahmanyam (Analog Devices)
- Q&A All





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#### **The DRM Consortium**

- Founded in 1998 to promote the adoption of the DRM standard worldwide
- The DRM Consortium
  - is a not-for-profit and not a commercial organization.
  - is an association of companies promoting the digital standard.
  - does not produce transmitters or receivers manufacturing companies produce these.
- Around 100 international members:
   broadcasters, manufacturers, network operators,
   regulators, media experts, research institutes, etc.
- Experts and technologists ready to give objective advice on the technology
- Open to companies, organisations, associations, the media and individuals who can join at any time





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#### **DRM Consortium Members**



























































The DRM Consortium aims to support and promote the success of the Digital Radio Mondiale standard

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# Introduction



Director of Technology ABU (Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union), Malaysia





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#### **DRM** and ABU

- DRM and ABU together right from the beginning
- DRM born in Asia (China 1998)
- DRM tested with ABU in India, Sri Lanka and demonstrated in other Asia countriesglobal
- DRM deployed in Asian countries apart from India (Taiwan,
   S. Korea, Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia, Japan)
- Can cover large geographic areas as well as rural and local markets





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#### What is DRM?

- Digital Radio Mondiale (DRM)
   is the global open digital radio technology
   which can be used in all frequency bands (AM and VHF)
- DRM standard can be used to cover large geographic areas, as well as rural and local markets and when on the move
- DRM fits with existing broadcast channelization and enables broadcaster-controlled infrastructure
- The DRM standard is ITU recommended for worldwide adoption on all frequencies

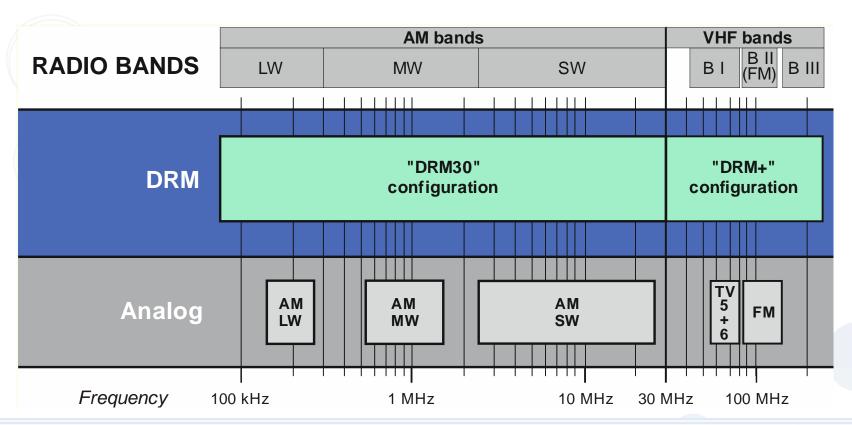






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# **DRM Frequency Bands**



#### **DRM** in the World

## Nearly half of the world population can listen to DRM

#### More than 120 DRM 30 services in SW

- All India Radio
- BBC World Service
- KBS World
- NHK Japan
- Public Broadcaster Slovakia
- Radio Australia

- · Radio New Zealand
- Radio Vatican
- Broadcast Belgium
- Voice of Russia
- Voice of Nigeria
- Saudi Broadcasting Corporation



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# **DRM Key Features**



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# **DRM Key Features**

The DRM Key Features are common to the full DRM Standard –

Whether using DRM30 and DRM+ configuration





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# **DRM Key Features**

- More choice for listeners
  - Up to 4 programmes on 1 frequency
  - Simulcast analog / digital
- Excellent audio quality
  - No distortion
  - Stereo and 5.1 surround sound
- Good coverage area and robust signal
  - Supporting SFN (Single Frequency Networks)
  - Green and energy efficient
- Multimedia Applications
  - Great listener benefits
  - Extra revenue opportunities for broadcasters

- Automatic tuning
  - by station name, no longer by frequency
  - re-tunes when leaving coverage area
- Emergency warning & alert
  - All stations switch, present audio and text information



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#### **DRM 5.1 Surround Sound Audio**



#### **MPEG Surround**

- Enables true 5.1 surround services (sports, jingles, ads, concerts, ...)
- Very small extra bit rate over stereo
- Compatible with all stereo/mono receivers

Mono → Stereo → 5.1 Surround past present future!





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#### **DRM – More than Audio**

- DRM Text Messages –
   Programme accompanying labels (Unicode)
- Journaline –
   Text based information service (Unicode)
   Easy access & "Hot Button triggers" interactivity:
  - Web pages (sites)
  - Phone numbers
  - SMS / E-mail
  - Links to other Journaline or DRM services pages
- MOT Slide Show Graphics with Animation
- **EPG** Electronic Programme Guide
- TPEG / TMC Traffic Information
- → Great potential for new revenue sources!





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# **Application: Emergency Information**

- Natural disaster strikes
  - → local communications infrastructure breaks, power loss, etc.
- DRM Digital radio broadcast
  - → reaching trouble spots from a distance/remote
  - → battery powered and wind-up receivers









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# **DRM EWF – Emergency Warning Functionality**



#### **DRM EWF - Emergency & Disaster Warning**

- Immediately spreads urgent information
- ➤ E.g. to be used in case of natural disasters or pending catastrophes (earthquakes, tsunamis, ...)

#### **Benefits using DRM:**

- Deploys wide-spread radio sets, remote infrastructure
- Provides spoken announcements on alert channel
- Provides detailed textual information (Journaline) for immediate look-up by listeners, explaining alert reason and behaviour recommendat.
- Textual information to be multi-lingual/-script

#### **DRM Receiver Behaviour:**

- All receivers switch automatically, present audio and text information
- Should be mandatory feature for all radios





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## **DRM EWF – Listener Experience**

Examples for receiver screen renderings, showing emergency text content (Journaline):



#### CNR Emergency Broadcast

► Information in English **हिन्दी में सूचना** (Hindi) 中文信息 (Chinese) Info auf deutsch Information in English What is going on?

What do I need to do?
Where can I get help?

What is going on?

A major tsunami is expected for the Shanghai region at 16:00 today.

The tsunami will hit the |

What do I need to do?

- 1. Move away from shore!
- 2. Evacuation has started. Find the nearest meeting point: Look for green





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## **DRM Key Features – Latest ETSI Updates**



- 1. Enhanced Audio Codec MPEG xHE-AAC
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   → replaces former speech codecs HVXC, CELP
- Unrestricted content (speech AND music) even at very low bitrates!

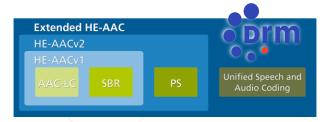
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8 kbps mono

→ 1 full-content program in most-robust SW

12 kbps stereo

→ 2 full-content STEREO programs per MW

24 kbps stereo

→ 3 full-content STEREO programs per FM

#### Full DRM xHE-AAC audio demo:

Download from www.drm.org





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#### 2. Signalling Improvements

- 4 PAD per audio service (Programme Associated Data)
- → Each audio service with TM, Journaline, SLS, EPG...

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# **India Roll Out**









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# **Transmitters**

Medium Wave 143

Short Wave 48

• FM 385

Total Radio Transmitters 576

**Medium Wave covers 98.4 % population** 





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# All India Radio - MW Coverage



- Coverage about 99% by population
- Over 60% population of country depends only on MW coverage
- There are plans for FM expansion by Private Stations as well as AIR but still coverage would be limited
- Quality concerns on MW:
  - Poor quality
  - Only one service per transmitter
  - No Value Added Service





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## **Private Radio – FM Coverage**



Locations: 97

Coverage: About 20% by

population

A+ Class cities



A Class cities



B Class cities



C Class cities



**D Class Cities** 



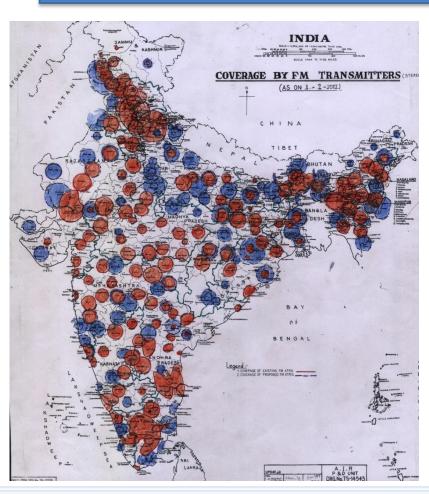
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# All India Radio - FM Coverage



Existing FM Coverage –

42% of population Overlapping with Private FM

FM Expansion Schemes being implemented





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#### India

- DRM trials: In MW, SW (DRM30) in 2007 and in DRM+ in 2011
- Jan 2009: Regular AIR DRM SW service started from Delhi
- Oct. 2011 AIR increased DRM SW to 16 hours/day
- April 2010: Indian government announced adoption of DRM for India
- AIR: Renewing, replacing 72 MW transmitters with DRM30
  - 2 x 1000 kW transmitters already operational (Rajkot & Kolkata)
  - 6 x 20 kW transmitters already delivered, tested and operational
  - 6 mobile transmitters used for training
- Dec 2012:

AIR ordered six 300kW & 21 x 200/100 kW MW DRM30 transmitters

- Nov 2013:
  - 8 x 300/200/100 kW MW DRM transmitters inspected out of which 4 received
  - 4 x 100 kW MW DRM transmitters under inspection

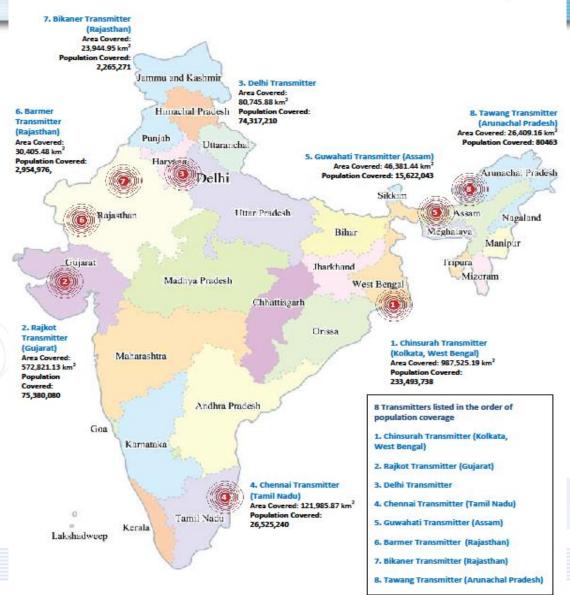


# INDIA All India Radio (AIR) Transmitter and Population Coverage



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## TRANSMITTERS UNDER DIGITALISATION(MW)

S No		Total No. of Txs.	DRM Txs (on completion of 11 <sup>th</sup> Plan)	Remaining Txs
1.	1000	3	2	1
2	300	11	11	0
3	200	17	13	4
4	100	26	18	8
5	50	1	1	0
6	20	46	27	19
7	10	5	0	5
8	1	34	0	34
	Total	143	72	71





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#### SUMMARY OF MW TRANSMITTERS COMMISSIONING

S. No.	Tentative Date of Commissioning	Transmitters	Places
1.	June, 13	20kWx 6	Guwahati, Delhi, Barmer, Bikaner, Chennai, Tawang,
2.	Dec., 13	20kWx 19 200kWx1 300kWx3	Aizwal, Ambikapur, Bhuj, Chhattarpur, Chennai, Darbanga, Gangtok, Jalgaon, Kota, Udipi, Rewa, Hyderabad, Leh, Ratnagiri, Rohtak, Silchar, Trivendrum, Tiruneveli, Tura, Delhi Jammu, Jalandhar, Lucknow
3.	Jan., 14	100kWx 4	Vijayawada, Patna, Ranchi, Tiruchirapalli,
4.	Feb., 14	200kWx 4	Bangalore, Dharwad, Chennai A', Kolkatta B'
5.	Mar, 14	20kWx 2	Kupwara, Naushera,
		100kWx 7	Cuddaph, Delhi, Kohima, Port Blair, Shillong, Shimla, Raipur,
		200kWx 3	Kargil, Indore, Najibabad,





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S. No.	Date	Transmitters	Places
		300kWx 5	Cuttack, Srinagar, Imphal, Jodhpur, Nagpur
6.	May, 14	100kWx 3	Goa, Mumbai A', Mumbai B', Pune
	Jun., 14	300kWx 3	Dibrugarh, Suratgarh, Rajkot
	Aug., 14	100kWx3	Varanasi, Kolkatta A', Passighat,
		200kWx5	Ahmedabad, Jabalpur, Ajmer, siliguri, Itanagar



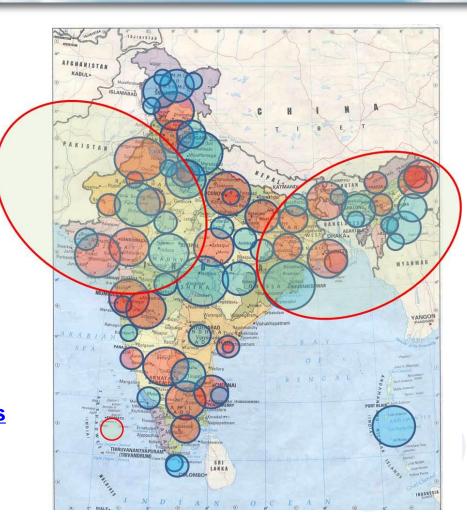


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When Completed –
Over 70% of India
covered by area
will be covered
with DRM30 Broadcasts

AIR digitisation plans - dedicated website page: <a href="http://allindiaradio.gov.in/Services/Digital%20Transmission">http://allindiaradio.gov.in/Services/Digital%20Transmission</a>





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# How is it going then with the rollout?

**Tim Hardy**Head of Engineering, Nautel, Canada







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# "One of the world's largest digital radio deployments"





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# Building the network: Nautel supplying 21 MW Tx

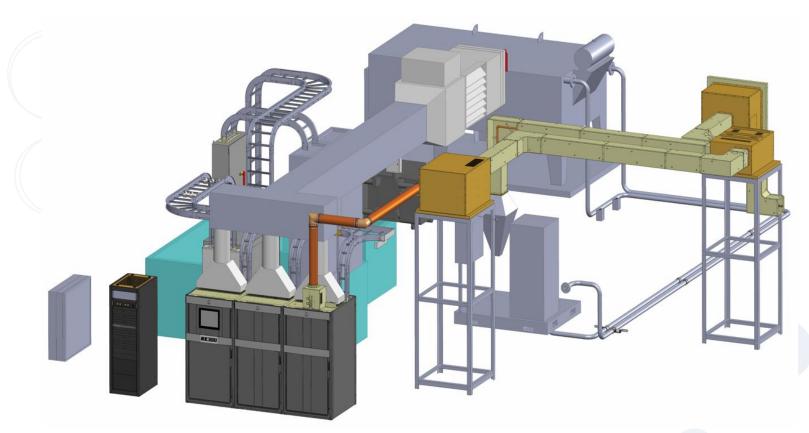






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# **Typical Installation**

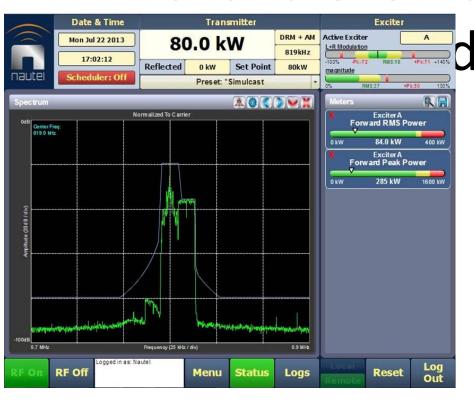


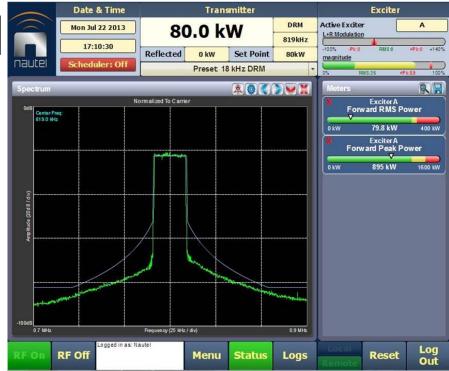




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# Initial and eventual transmission





**Simulcast** 

20 kHz DRM





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# Signed, sealed, delivered...













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# Installations scheduled for Q1 2014



# The time for manufacturers is now...

Compelling broadcast technology/benefits

Large listener community

Broadcast infrastructure being deployed

**Manufacturer opportunity** 





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# From Features to DRM Receivers and Listeners' **Experience**

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# Change should always be for better...

































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# Transitioning to Digital Radio is also better











- Good Audio
  - Stereo
  - Hi-Fi
  - No fading and no noise
- Display
  - Colour Good for slide show
  - Text information
  - Can be used commercially for ads

- Social Needs
  - Disaster and Early Warning
  - Other Emergencies
  - Weather
  - Traffic
- Entertainment & Other needs
  - Latest news
  - Cricket & other sports
  - Album art with songs





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# Radio Receiver Building Blocks



- RF Tuner captures radio frequency signals of desired frequency, amplifies and digitizes
- Baseband processor demodulates and decodes to provide audio and data
- An amplifier + speaker enables us to listen to an excellent audio output/reception
- Man-machine Interface provides the required text and graphical information and ability to control the radio<sub>www.drm.org</sub>





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# These blocks can be packaged as...





Man-Machine Interface

Ingredients of a DRM Receiver













Desktop radio

Car radio

Mobile phone radio

There are some key differences though...

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# **Chipsets for different receivers**

Features	Desktop	Car	Mobile phone
Cost	Low	Medium	Very Low
Noise Immunity	Low	High	High
Antenna diversity	X	Required	X
Power	Low	Can be high	Very low
Operating Voltage	3V	5V	1.8V
Own Display	Yes	Yes	No
Keypad	Yes	Yes	No
Amp + Speaker	Yes	Yes	No
USB	Yes	Yes	No
SDCard	Yes	Yes	No



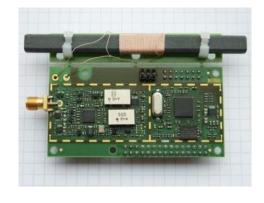


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# **Availability of Processors and Tuners**

























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# Developments: Chipsets on Different Platforms

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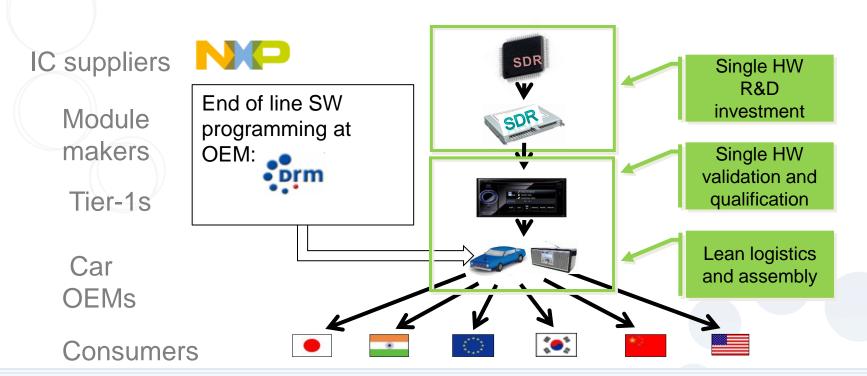




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# NXP Digital Radio Processor: Lower R&D Investment, leaner Supply Chain

NXP continuously drives down system cost and application size







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# DRM System with NXP's Digital Radio Co-Processor and AM/FM Tuner

#### NXP's DRM Radio System

- Consists of AM/FM + Digital Radio Co-processor (DRP)
- Customer's Host Processor controls the DRM Radio System
- Low system cost with minimal external components

#### Digital Radio Co-Processor

- Automotive qualified low cost digital terrestrial radio processor
- Provides demodulation, channel decoding, audio decoding and application processing for DRM

#### Advanced radio performance

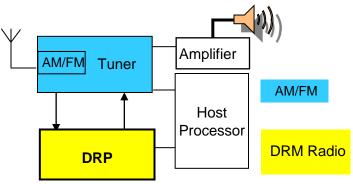
 State of the art algorithms used to deliver best quality in Fading, noise, simulcast and other interferences

#### Field tested DRM Solution

- Total system test of tuner + digital radio processor
- Berlin, Rajkot, New Delhi and Chennai

#### DRM Product Releases

 DRM (India): Engineering releases available, gearing towards commercial production in 2014











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## **Radio Tuner IC**

#### AM/FM Tuner used with DRP

- Tuner feeds digital baseband I/Q Data to DRP for DRM decoding
- DRP returns DRM-decoded audio PCM to AM/FM Tuner chip
- Two important ICs: Hero TEF663x and AtomIC2 TEF665x
- Simple Control API
- Covers AM Band (LW/MW and full SW)

#### Hero

- First all-in-one digital chip incl. AM/FM tuner, radio and au
- 4x Audio ADC & 4x Audio DAC
- Minimize BOM, PCB Space and RF risk

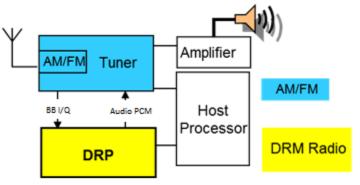
#### AtomIC2 Premium

- New DSP-based AM/FM single-chip tuner in RFCMOS with Digital Radio support
- Best-in-class Performance/System Price ratio









DRM System with NXP's Digital Radio Co-Processor and Hero/AtomIC2 Tuner



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# From Features to DRM Receivers and Listeners' Experience

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# **DRM Receivers**

- Receivers follow markets. Volume decreases prices
- Receiver manufacturers joining: JVC Kenwood
- Indian market has stimulated membership in DRM
  - Chipsets manufacturers: Frontier, NXP, KeyStone, Dibcom/Parrot, Analog Devices
  - Receiver manufacturers: JVC Kenwood
- Indian and high-end brands
- Discussions with car manufacturers:
  - Jaguar Land Rover (Tata) joined this summer









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# Transformation has to be stable

#### **Transmitters**





Content

- Setting a target date for start of services is a must for a success story:
  - Germany
  - Australia
- Broadcast content to make it a compelling reason to buy digital radio receiver





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# Content



- What content will make digital radios a compelling reason to buy?
- What features should receiver manufacturers must have for this content?
- When will this start?

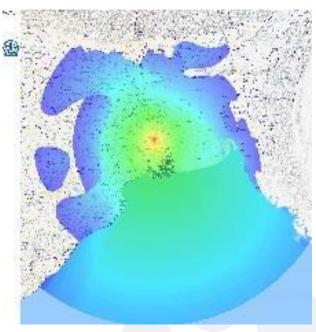




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# Conclusion: DRM in India represents a significant commercial opportunity for receiver manufacturers

- Current coverage from 8 recently installed transmitters:
  - 430m people 36% of 1.2bn population
  - Chinsurah transmitter (Kolkata, West Bengal) covers almost 20% of population alone
- By contrast, European DAB coverage at 200m is less than half that and generates sales of ~4m units per year
- Huge opportunity for India-based CE companies
- Target FOB price for a kitchen radio <\$20 is feasible and provides an opportunity for the whole supply chain



Kolkata/Chinsurah 1000KW Transmitter Coverage





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# India can and will lead the way technologically in audio broadcasting









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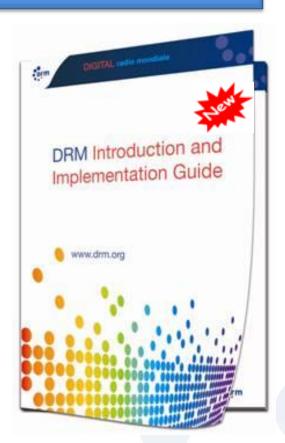


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# All you need to know on DRM - Free

# DRM Introduction and Implementation Guide

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