

Typhoon destroys fiber optic cable



Overview

Deep sea landslides caused by Typhoon Morakot severed at least three undersea fiber-optic telecommunications cables and disrupted three others, causing Internet service disruptions in parts of Asia. The SWM-3 (Southeast Asia - Middle East - Western Europe 3) cable that connects to Taiwan near the. Microsoft said in a status update that the Middle East "may experience increased latency due to undersea fibre cuts in the Red Sea," but gave no other details. Fibre optic cables on the ocean Floor. File pic: iStock Internet access in parts of Asia and the Middle East was disrupted after undersea. In March 2024, the global communications network faced a significant threat due to the potential severing of the Red Sea undersea fiber optic cable. Two cables were damaged during the main flood when debris-charged river waters dived to the seabed and down Gaoping Canyon. A second, more damaging sediment density flow formed three days. Typhoon Morakot damages undersea cables, disrupting Internet and telephone services in Asia Source: Associated Press TAIPEI, Taiwan - Seabed movements believed caused by Typhoon Morakot damaged seven undersea cables linking Asian nations, disrupting Internet and telephone services, a Taiwanese. Some undersea fiber-optic cables that carry Internet and communications traffic to parts of Southeast Asia and China have already been repaired while officials continue to assess damage to others, a spokesperson for Chunghwa Telecom said Friday.



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This typhoon-resistant facility in Guam will power the

That's crucial, because the structure will power the repeaters, or “ optical pumps ” that the cables need to boost the laser signal as it travels

Typhoon Morakot severs three undersea Internet cables

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What Damages Fiber-Optic Cables? Key Risks and Mitigation Strategies

Fiber-optic cables are the backbone of modern connectivity—powering 5G networks, global internet backbones, and data center interconnections with near-light-speed data transmission.

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Fiber optic cable cuts are becoming a source of chronic pain for telecommunications companies and internet service providers, wounding their

Red Sea Internet Cables "Cut" — Here's What We Know

Topline At least four undersea fiber optic cables, which carry approximately 97% of all Internet traffic, were damaged last week in the Red

Burying of fiber optic cables in 2026 eyed

He said the second phase will involve burying those in the “middle mile” or fiber optic cables, which are hanging on power pylons.

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These flows sped down submarine canyons and into the Manila Trench at 12.7–5.6 m s⁻¹ (45–20 km h⁻¹), resulting in 22 cable breaks. In 2009, the cables were again damaged, this time by

The deep-sea "emergency service" that keeps the

Ninety-nine percent of the world's digital communications rely on subsea cables. Fixing them keeps us all connected – and has changed our

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Internet access in Middle East and Asia disrupted after "undersea ...

Internet access in parts of Asia and the Middle East was disrupted after undersea cables were cut, experts have said. The Middle East "may experience increased latency due to undersea

PH internet speeds down in Speedtest; decrease due to

"Smart said that these fiber optic cable facilities were gravely damaged when several poles, in which cables were attached, collapsed because

The diversity, frequency and severity of natural hazard impacts on ...

Subsea cables underpin global communications, carrying more than 99 % of all digital data traffic worldwide. While this >1.6 million km-long network has been designed to be highly

Submarine Fiber Optic Cables Damaged in Asia Disaster

TAIPEI, Taiwan - Seabed movements believed caused by Typhoon Morakot damaged seven undersea cables linking Asian nations, disrupting Internet and telephone services, a Taiwanese telephone

What Weather Can Do To Your Fiber Optic Cables

It is essential for broadband providers to have a repair strategy that can aid in weather-related issues that disrupt fiber optic Internet service.

2008 submarine cable disruption

The 2008 submarine cable disruption refers to three separate incidents of major damage to submarine optical communication cables around the world. The first

PLDT installs underground cables in "Yolanda" areas

Philippine Long Distance Telephone Co. has earmarked P400 million for the installation of underground fiber optic cables in areas hit by Super Typhoon "Yolanda" in the Visayas region to ...

Three Fiber-Optic Cables Were Cut in the Red Sea. Will

Three key fiber-optic cables were severed in the Red Sea. Will the damage affect U.S. internet customers?

Global Internet Connectivity Is at Risk from Climate

The flow of digital information through fiber-optic cables lining the sea floor could be compromised by climate change.

How Did We Survive the Red Sea Fiber Optic Cable

Fortunately, the immediate threat to the Red Sea fiber optic cable was mitigated through a combination of diplomatic efforts, heightened security measures, and

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Undersea Internet cables undergoing repairs after typhoon

Six of the important fiber-optic cables were damaged by undersea landslides caused by Typhoon Morakot as it passed Taiwan. One was knocked out on Aug. 9 as Morakot hit the east coast

5 Cable Killers That Destroy Buried Fiber Cable

Here Norscan's own cable locating and monitoring expert Maurice Dequier will take a look at the elements that can destroy buried fiber optic cable

The deep-sea "emergency service" that keeps the

Since the first cables were laid in the 19th Century, they have been exposed to extreme environmental events, from submarine volcanic eruption to

Set Up a Fiber-Optic Network in Your Home or Office

Learn about the various fiber-optic components used for running fiber in your house, office, or between buildings. Find out how to use fiber optics for

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In 2009, the cables were again damaged, this time by extreme river discharge associated with Typhoon Morakot. Two cables were damaged during the main flood when debris-charged river

Your slow Internet just got worse: Several undersea

Just when you thought your Internet connection couldn't get any worse, here comes some bad news. According to a report from tech website

Fiber Optic Cable Damage: Why It Happens & What To Do About It

Let's see what are the reasons behind fiber optic cable damage and what you can do about it. Learn more on our blog.

When Typhoon Sinlaku Made a 200-km Cable Take a 12,000-km

On April 14, 2026, RTT from Saipan to Guam spiked 13x as Cat-5 Sinlaku made landfall. The Mariana-Guam cable was fine — a local BGP peering fell, sending traffic on a 12,000-km detour via Los

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