

## Network Readiness Index (NRI) Report 2025

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### Why in News?

Recently, India improved its ranking in the Network Readiness Index (NRI) 2025 report.

- **Aim** - Assess network-based readiness and digital transformation capacity of countries.
- **Prepared by** - Portulans Institute (Washington DC, USA).
- **Coverage** - 127 countries.
- **Key Structure** - It consists of 4 Pillars and 53 Indicators.
  - **Pillars** - Technology, People, Governance, and Impact.
- **India's Performance - Rank** - 45th (improved by 4 positions)
- **Score** -
  - 2024 - 53.63/100
  - 2025 - 54.43/100
- **Key Findings** -

Category	Findings
<b>India's Global Rankings in Key Indicators</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>1<sup>st</sup></b> - Annual investment in telecommunication services, AI scientific publications, ICT services exports, E-commerce legislation</li> <li>• <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> - FTTH/Building Internet subscriptions, Mobile broadband internet traffic, International Internet bandwidth</li> <li>• <b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> - Domestic market scale, Income inequality</li> </ul>
<b>Most Network-Ready Societies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>1<sup>st</sup></b> - United States</li> <li>• <b>2<sup>nd</sup></b> - Finland</li> <li>• <b>3<sup>rd</sup></b> - Singapore</li> <li>• <b>4<sup>th</sup></b> - Denmark</li> <li>• <b>5<sup>th</sup></b> - Sweden</li> <li>• Europe <i>dominates the global top 5 with 3 countries.</i></li> </ul>
<b>Top Countries by Income Group in NRI 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>High-Income</b> - United States (1), Finland (2), Singapore (3).</li> <li>• <b>Upper-Middle Income</b> - China (24), Malaysia (38), Thailand (44).</li> <li>• <b>Lower-Middle Income</b> - Vietnam (40), India (45), Philippines (66).</li> <li>• <b>Low Income</b> - Rwanda (87), Uganda (112), Malawi (116).</li> </ul>

- **Findings for India** - Ranked 2nd among lower-middle-income countries.
- India has greater network readiness than expected for its income level.

## References

1. [PIB | Network Readiness Index Report 2025](#)
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