

India leads world's internet shutdowns

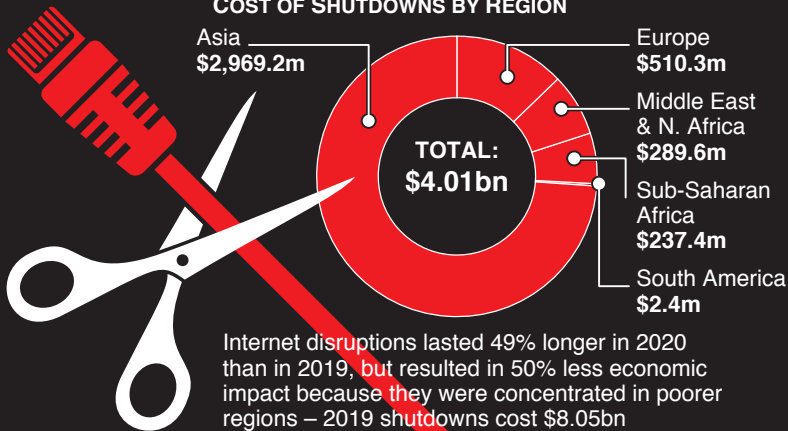
Internet shutdowns in 2020 cost India \$2.8 billion, topping a list of 21 countries that curbed citizens' web access, according to digital privacy and security research group Top10VPN

COST OF INTERNET SHUTDOWNS BY COUNTRY*

Cost (\$millions) Duration (hours) Users affected (millions)

1. India	2,779.3	8,927	10.3
2. Belarus	336.4	218	7.9
3. Yemen	236.8	912	7.9
4. Myanmar	189.9	8,808	0.2
5. Azerbaijan	122.6	1,128	8.0
6. Ethiopia	111.3	1,536	19.5
7. Sudan	68.7	36	13.2
8. Turkey	51.1	18	61.7
9. Syria	35.9	79	5.8
10. Tanzania	27.5	432	14.7

COST OF SHUTDOWNS BY REGION



*Countries known to impose more restrictive internet controls, such as China and North Korea, excluded from report because of lack of publicly accessible data