

Madhya Pradesh Government of India Chooses SCO Mobile Based Solution to Deliver Integrated Government Services to Population of Over 60 Million Citizens

Divisional Commissioner of Indore Wins 'Best Technology Implementation' Award for pilot project based on SCO Mobile Server

LINDON, Utah, June 25, 2007 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- The SCO Group, Inc. ("SCO") (Nasdaq: SCOX), a leading provider of UNIX(R) software technology and mobile services, today announced that the Madhya Pradesh Government of India has selected SCO Mobile Server as the platform for developing and deploying government services to more than 60 million citizens. India is deploying this e-governance solution to provide online public services and record keeping, including online bill payment, taxes, land records, income certificates, loans, driving licenses, birth and death certificates and various government entitlement programs.

Many urban centers have set up Web portals to facilitate the citizen-to-government interface necessary to support the delivery of services. An electronic interface as a one-stop destination for public access to information on various aspects of government functions well as a single window for the delivery of government services. However, rural centers and cities that lack the infrastructure necessary for every citizen to have Web access are disadvantaged because in the absence of Web connectivity, provisioning of government services is done manually. In regions that don't have Internet access, citizens are forced to wait in long lines for each service or information request. The pilot project using SCO Mobile Server enables electronic provisioning of services and access to government information using a cell phone over the cell carrier network. Since cell coverage in rural areas is readily available, nearly every citizen in Indore will gain electronic access to services and information.

The Honorable Divisional Commissioner of Indore, Shri Ashok Das, is the pioneer who envisioned that rural areas could participate in e-governance by using the ubiquitous cellular network to capture and retrieve data. His vision and subsequent selection of SCO Mobile Server earned him the "Best Technology Implementation" award for the e-governance pilot project in his region.

"We wanted to evaluate the productivity of people working with us which was only possible by reviewing their performance. We decided to choose e-mobility with e-governance for the uninterrupted data sharing process, which could make the current information available to us on a real-time basis. SCO Mobile Server technology was a perfect choice as it provides a complete end-to-end solution, and it enables the user to upload and download data on the move," said Das. "The SCO Mobile solution helped us capture data and conduct business transactions in real-time. The objective is to develop the mobile monitoring and control system within the existing framework of processes which can cater to effective data capture and transparent reporting for the Office of Revenue department," added Das.

"Getting real-time, up-to-date information is very crucial for effective MP Government operations," said Subodh Rustagi, Country Manager - SCO India & Southeast Asia. "SCO's solution, based on SCO Mobile Server, achieved these goals by enabling users to upload data using a smart handheld device and making this information immediately available to the commissioner. Based on our experience with this solution, SCO will offer mobile solutions to other government departments."

"The Indian market represents a high-growth potential for SCO Mobile," said Sandy Gupta, Chief Technology Officer of The SCO Group. "SCO has a long established presence in this region and is familiar with bringing products to the Indian market. We have established our partner eco-system in that region by engaging in important relationships with vertical solution providers, system integrators and development houses around SCO Mobile technology and business."

Availability and Pricing

SCO Mobile Server which runs on SCO UNIX and Windows 2003 is currently available as a hosted service or can be deployed as a server using the traditional perpetual product license model. More product information can be found at <http://www.sco.de>.

About SCO

The SCO Group (Nasdaq: SCOX) is a leading provider of UNIX software technology and mobile services. SCO' offers UnixWare for enterprise applications and SCO OpenServer for small to medium businesses. The SCO Mobile product line focuses on creating mobile platforms, services and solutions for businesses and enhances the productivity of mobile workers. The Me Inc product line produces innovative mobile products for consumers. SCO's highly innovative and reliable solutions help customers grow their businesses everyday, especially into the emerging mobile market. SCO owns the core UNIX operating system, originally developed by AT&T/Bell Labs and is the exclusive licensor to Unix-based system software providers. Headquartered in Lindon, Utah, SCO has a worldwide network of thousands of resellers and developers. SCO Global Services provides reliable localized support and services to partners and customers. For more information on SCO products and services, visit <http://www.sco.de>.

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