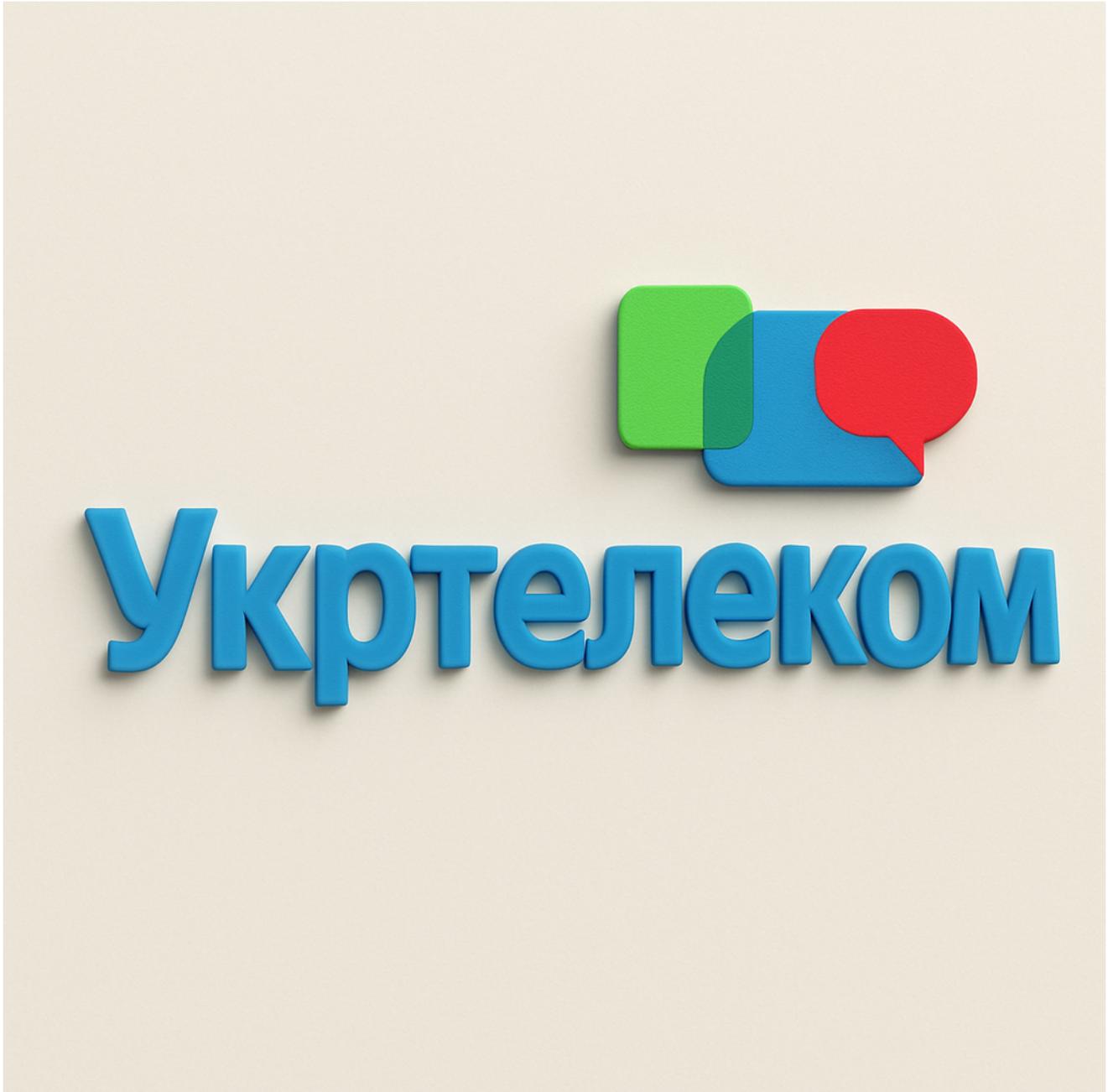# SCM

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Optical network reaches 90,000 kilometres: Ukrtelecom reports on Q1 2025

Ukrtelecom continues to systematically develop its telecommunications infrastructure, providing Ukrainians with access to reliable communications and high-quality Internet. Despite the challenges of the full-scale war, the

company has been consistently upgrading its network, introducing modern technologies and supporting the digital resilience of the state.

As of the end of Q1 2025, Ukrtelecom's fibre-optic network spanned across 90,000 kilometres, making it the largest optical telecom infrastructure in Ukraine. This scale makes it possible to provide access to modern services for more than 3 million households across the country (homepass). According to plans for 2025, the company intends to expand the network by an additional 6,000 kilometres.

> *"Despite all the difficulties of wartime, Ukrtelecom continues to provide high-quality communications and support the nation's digital resilience. We invest in the construction of optical infrastructure, network modernisation on a regular basis and connect thousands of Ukrainians, businesses and government agencies, medical, educational and social institutions to the energy-independent GPON Internet every month. We also provide reliable communication for our defenders. We have already laid 90,000 kilometres of optical lines, but this is only a part of the great work we continue to do every day to ensure that as many communities in our country as possible have the opportunity to take advantage of modern telecommunications services,"*
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> *stated Yuriy Kurmaz, CEO of Ukrtelecom.*

To develop the optical infrastructure at the access network level, the company uses the FTTH/P architecture based on GPON technology, which ensures stable, high-speed and energy-independent Internet use even during extended external power outages.

In Q1 2025, the number of new B2C subscriber connections to the fiber-optic network increased by 21.7% year-on-year. Additionally, around 30 medical and nearly 50 educational institutions were connected to the company's optical network in the previous quarter. In total, Ukrtelecom's high-speed Internet is already available at more than 1,330 medical and 1,800 educational institutions across the country.

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In Q1 2025, Ukrtelecom's total revenue increased to UAH 1.17 billion, up 3.5% year-on-year. EBITDA exceeded UAH 162 million, while the EBITDA margin decreased by 10 percentage points year-on-year. The decrease was largely driven by a significant increase in electricity costs following a nearly 50% year-on-year increase in tariffs.

In the reporting quarter, Ukrtelecom paid about UAH 400 million in taxes and levies to budgets at all levels.