

Title: Sisi Launches National Network for Emergency, Public Safety

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President Abdel Fatah al-Sisi inaugurated Monday the Central Control Center of the National Unified Network of Emergency and Safety Services.

The network was built in 24 months, and the cost of its infrastructure amounted to be \$1 billion. The network's control centers are distributed among 270 locations across Egypt, but it will be fully operational nationwide within four months.

Workers at the network have been trained at a training center in Saqqara that's affiliated to the Ministry of Telecommunications and Information Technology.

Minister Amr Talaat explained that the network achieves connectivity among the facilities in charge of police, ambulance, and firefighting services the minister underlined that the networks will cancel out the practice of citizens having to call different facilities to get the help they need when an emergency occurs

The network is equipped to serve non-Arabic speakers, and well secured to preserve the privacy of callers, Minister Talaat noted. The National Unified Network for Emergency and Safety is also aimed at speeding up responsiveness to emergency calls.

The ceremony equally marked the conclusion of the pilot operation of Tiba I and the beginning of the official operation.

A documentary streamed at the inauguration ceremony showcased the launching of satellite Tiba I, whose function is providing communications services to governmental bodies and diplomatic envoys worldwide.

Tiba I was launched in November 2019 in cooperation with international partners.