

China's ZTE signs on to Egypt telecom plan

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China's ZTE will play a key role in a 100,000-line CDMA telecom project in Egypt, it was announced Tuesday.

The global telecom-equipment manufacturer said this week that it had joined forces with Telecom Egypt for the CDMA (Code Division Multiple Access) upgrade slated for Cairo and the Nile Delta.

CDMA's spread-spectrum technology allows more callers to use the same spectrum territory at the same time and will enable Egypt Telecom to expand its market with a wider range of services.

ZTE said the first phase of the project will provide 48,000 lines in the Delta and 52,000 lines in Cairo and 16 suburbs. Phase II includes establishment of an 800M core network along with an access network and fixed wireless terminals.

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