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- ❖ **Wireless Subscribers crosses 400 million mark.**
- ❖ **11.90 million Wireless Subscribers added in April 2009.**
- ❖ **Broadband subscribers reach 6.28 million mark.**
- ❖ **Tele-density reaches 37.94 mark.**

New Delhi, 1st June 2009:- Total 11.75 million telephone connections (Wireline and Wireless) have been added during April 2009 as compared to 15.87 million connections added in March 2009. The total number of telephone connections reaches 441.47 million at the end of April 2009 as compared to 429.72 million in March 2009. With this growth, the overall tele-density has reached 37.94 at the end of April 2009 as against 36.98 in March 2009.

The total wireless subscribers (GSM, CDMA & WLL(F)) base stood at 403.66 million at the end of April 2009. A total of 11.90 million wireless subscribers have been added during the month of April 2009 as against 15.64 million wireless subscribers added during the month of March 2009. Circle-wise wireless subscriber base of service providers is given at Annexure-I.

In the wireline segment, the subscriber base has decreased to 37.81 million in the month of April 2009 as against 37.96 million subscribers in March 2009 registering a slight decrease of 0.15 million. Circle-wise wireline subscriber base of service providers is given at Annexure-II.

Comparison table of subscriber base during corresponding periods of 2008 & 2009 is shown below:

(Subscribers in Million)

	2007-08					2008-09			
	As on Apr'07	As on Mar'08	As on Apr'08	% Growth during Apr'07 to Apr'08	Monthly addition in Apr'08	As on Mar'09*	As on Apr'09*	% Growth during Apr'08 to Apr'09	Monthly Addition in Apr'09
Wireless	171.22	261.09	269.30	57.28	8.21	391.76	403.66	49.89	11.90
Wireline	40.54	39.42	39.21	-3.28	-0.21	37.96	37.81	-3.57	-0.15
Total	211.76	300.51	308.51	45.68	8.00	429.72	441.47	43.09	11.75

* The data is tentative.

Broadband (≥ 256 Kbps download) Growth: Total Broadband subscribers base has reached 6.28 million by the end of April 2009 as compared to 6.22 million by the end of March 2009.

Comparison table of broadband subscriber's growth during corresponding periods of 2008 & 2009 is shown below:

(Subscribers in Million)

2007-08					2008-09			
As on Apr'07	As on Mar'08	As on Apr'08	% Growth during Apr'07 to Apr'08	Monthly addition in Apr'08	As on Mar'09*	As on Apr'09*	% Growth during Apr'08 to Apr'09	Monthly Addition in Apr'09
2.43	3.90	4.01	65.02	0.11	6.22	6.28	56.61	0.06

* The data is tentative.

Note: Information in the Press Release is based on the data provided by the Service Providers.

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Wireless Total including WLL(F)
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Annexure -I

Sl.	Circle	Vodafone Essar		Spice		Loop Mobile(BPL)		Idea		Bharti Airtel		Reliance	
		Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09
1	Andaman & Nicobar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	A.P.	3,956,698	4,107,549	-	-	-	-	5,045,051	5,188,665	9,086,180	9,471,463	5,612,683	5,656,728
3	Assam	161,342	190,474	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,501,478	1,622,477	1,422,845	1,425,863
4	Bihar	771,543	1,048,748	-	-	-	-	863,048	1,002,106	7,488,867	7,778,055	5,666,149	5,841,563
5	Chennai	1,562,454	1,585,998	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,177,600	2,207,830	1,388,857	1,401,880
6	Chhatisgarh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Delhi	4,092,931	4,151,163	-	-	-	-	2,405,168	2,356,703	4,812,579	4,913,281	3,936,285	4,070,571
8	Gujarat	8,024,283	8,207,673	-	-	-	-	3,918,150	4,020,894	4,101,956	4,202,918	4,018,232	4,066,084
9	H.P.	44,508	56,894	-	-	-	-	141,819	143,770	961,565	974,495	1,006,818	1,037,391
10	Haryana	2,210,718	2,260,750	-	-	-	-	1,575,309	1,577,879	1,259,521	1,270,229	1,771,187	1,870,756
11	J & K	1,391	56,268	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,633,719	1,708,248	64,360	102,230
12	Jharkhand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	Karnataka	3,695,522	3,820,630	1,650,609	1,683,662	-	-	-	-	10,001,037	10,136,069	3,991,745	4,075,538
14	Kerala	3,127,106	3,255,172	-	-	-	-	4,371,750	4,472,053	2,294,896	2,420,281	2,683,163	2,686,180
15	Kolkata	2,811,441	2,898,756	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,485,001	2,506,825	2,718,026	2,786,758
16	M.P.	356,513	445,847	-	-	-	-	5,019,627	5,210,915	4,620,901	4,830,061	6,166,419	6,370,494
17	Maharashtra	4,666,959	4,917,148	-	-	-	-	7,477,604	7,628,044	6,001,373	6,018,396	4,481,059	4,869,657
18	Mumbai	4,373,872	4,445,950	-	-	2,164,211	2,204,676	751,757	825,989	2,802,180	2,811,299	4,407,520	4,446,345
19	North East-I	163,099	210,129	-	-	-	-	-	-	920,268	969,504	465,707	466,344
20	North East-II	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Orissa	381,257	481,880	-	-	-	-	-	35,019	3,000,622	3,122,778	2,091,182	2,163,190
22	Punjab	2,227,692	2,269,320	2,482,733	2,487,925	-	-	-	-	3,783,941	3,821,780	1,704,381	1,791,152
23	Rajasthan	5,039,136	5,219,675	-	-	-	-	1,225,706	1,249,702	6,874,691	7,267,379	3,198,304	3,264,269
24	T.N.	5,223,302	5,398,603	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,213,021	6,360,685	4,039,856	4,085,631
25	U.P.(E)	6,604,921	6,879,931	-	-	-	-	2,001,056	2,085,662	5,909,614	6,147,131	5,010,740	5,311,562
26	U.P.(W)	4,405,718	4,541,351	-	-	-	-	4,093,412	4,205,253	2,371,852	2,415,305	3,789,879	3,921,965
27	Uttaranchal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	W.B.	4,866,592	5,091,979	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,620,386	3,758,817	3,030,795	3,124,459
	Total	68,768,998	71,541,888	4,133,342	4,171,587	2,164,211	2,204,676	38,889,457	40,002,654	93,923,248	96,735,306	72,666,192	74,836,610

Wireless Total including WLL(F)
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Annexure -I

HFCL Infotel		Sistema Shyam		Tata Teleservices		Aircel		MTNL		BSNL		State-wise Total	
Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	79,682	83,332	79,682	83,332
-	-	-	-	3,239,349	3,277,025	33,258	86,350	-	-	3,431,448	3,485,449	30,404,667	31,273,229
-	-	-	-	47,254	53,497	1,704,933	1,808,533	-	-	973,106	994,572	5,810,958	6,095,416
-	-	-	-	1,756,159	1,811,590	1,402,825	1,462,983	-	-	2,185,500	2,230,154	20,134,091	21,175,199
-	-	-	-	439,968	438,594	2,534,480	2,582,580	-	-	1,125,970	1,152,312	9,229,329	9,369,194
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	926,922	930,752	926,922	930,752
-	-	-	-	4,644,379	4,743,053	28,798	140,010	2,059,933	2,075,727	-	-	21,980,073	22,450,508
-	-	-	-	1,401,440	1,433,388	-	-	-	-	2,646,288	2,654,945	24,110,349	24,585,902
-	-	-	-	135,898	137,715	138,567	138,616	-	-	911,206	955,054	3,340,381	3,443,935
-	-	-	-	1,344,957	1,364,564	-	-	-	-	1,720,975	1,787,995	9,882,667	10,132,173
-	-	-	-	41,550	52,792	832,281	886,191	-	-	930,683	939,195	3,503,984	3,744,924
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	844,101	861,578	844,101	861,578
-	-	-	-	1,408,468	1,416,211	52,831	96,670	-	-	2,743,511	2,823,146	23,543,723	24,051,926
-	-	-	15,025	781,579	787,442	51,251	93,263	-	-	3,090,388	3,134,413	16,400,133	16,863,829
-	-	-	-	1,536,553	1,552,539	518,095	548,670	-	-	1,573,896	1,637,998	11,643,012	11,931,546
-	-	-	-	1,300,904	1,331,887	-	-	-	-	2,207,724	2,203,276	19,672,088	20,392,480
-	-	-	-	4,646,752	4,720,006	-	-	-	-	4,071,576	4,091,718	31,345,323	32,244,969
-	-	-	-	2,311,283	2,357,768	-	61,292	2,422,579	2,453,830	-	-	19,233,402	19,607,149
-	-	-	-	17,288	22,424	1,014,150	1,073,893	-	-	361,927	384,560	2,942,439	3,126,854
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	407,362	427,226	407,362	427,226
-	-	-	-	678,844	695,296	926,304	970,150	-	-	1,609,081	1,680,514	8,687,290	9,148,827
388,285	385,596	-	-	1,398,250	1,424,624	-	-	-	-	2,896,302	2,936,483	14,881,584	15,116,880
-	-	599,801	698,626	2,578,463	2,605,178	-	-	-	-	3,240,641	3,220,794	22,758,742	23,525,623
-	-	-	54,989	730,114	726,499	8,081,288	8,346,805	-	-	3,490,931	3,628,694	27,778,512	28,601,906
-	-	-	-	1,527,340	1,551,810	2,371	41,361	-	-	6,093,491	6,209,489	27,149,533	28,226,946
-	-	-	-	2,182,877	2,227,013	218	31,697	-	-	1,830,665	1,903,704	18,674,621	19,246,288
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	819,398	835,802	819,398	835,802
-	-	-	-	972,295	996,288	1,156,675	1,216,235	-	-	1,931,460	1,981,145	15,578,203	16,168,923
388,285	385,596	599,801	768,640	35,121,964	35,727,203	18,478,325	19,585,299	4,482,512	4,529,557	52,144,234	53,174,300	391,760,569	403,663,316

Wireline Subscriber Base

Annexure-II

Sl. No	Circle	Bharti Airtel Ltd.		Reliance Communications		HFCL infotel		Sistema Shyam Teleservices Ltd		Tata Teleservices		MTNL		BSNL		State-wise Total	
		Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09	Mar'09	Apr'09
1	Andaman Nicobar													19,355	19,228	19,355	19,228
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	103,463	104,393	85,891	86,170					132,304	132,146			2,226,078	2,208,423	2,547,736	2,531,132
3	Assam									8	8			351,022	348,971	351,030	348,979
4	BIHAR			2,226	2,304					2,774	2,956			963,222	963,471	968,222	968,731
5	CHENNAI	276,828	277,377	85,937	87,425					29,834	30,596			1,011,580	1,011,697	1,404,179	1,407,095
6	Chhatisgarh	60,688	60,698											230,235	228,458	290,923	289,156
7	DELHI - NCR	821,061	832,262	147,077	150,084					27,190	26,819	1,525,981	1,528,684			2,521,309	2,537,849
8	GUJARAT	35,394	36,492	107,586	108,183					42,918	43,668			1,928,277	1,916,362	2,114,175	2,104,705
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH			3,384	3,265					647	685			375,823	373,086	379,854	377,036
10	HARYANA	21,359	21,434	8,683	7,832					5,348	5,186			839,816	832,782	875,206	867,234
11	JAMMU & KASHMIR			1	1									239,795	238,176	239,796	238,177
12	Jharkhand													416,622	415,914	416,622	415,914
13	KARNATAK A	419,307	423,737	100,556	101,006					89,560	89,021			2,173,393	2,159,311	2,782,816	2,773,075
14	KERALA	50,774	50,836	55,525	55,315					6,443	6,758			3,463,628	3,454,593	3,576,370	3,567,502
15	KOLKATA	60,914	62,511	86,861	88,003					15,738	16,441			1,374,422	1,369,392	1,537,935	1,536,347
16	MADHYA PRADESH	240,084	240,222	32,667	32,574					2,244	2,239			1,109,960	1,100,093	1,384,955	1,375,128
17	MAHARASH TRA	52,688	53,593	72,886	73,462					129,365	131,881			3,015,349	2,982,380	3,270,288	3,241,316
18	MUMBAI	264,901	271,569	161,570	163,401					407,705	414,442	2,047,225	2,047,225			2,881,401	2,896,637
19	North East-I													207,603	207,093	207,603	207,100
20	North East-II													127,817	128,059	127,817	128,059
21	ORISSA			2,861	2,911					2,810	2,879			641,789	628,313	647,460	634,103
22	PUNJAB	87,210	87,749	46,025	45,034	162,217	162,044			8,299	8,681			1,344,911	1,335,177	1,648,662	1,638,685
23	RAJASTHAN	33,171	33,633	20,622	20,860			129,274	122,573	1,857	1,792			1,480,889	1,468,944	1,665,813	1,647,802
24	TAMIL NADU	137,895	138,440	36,878	36,949					3,973	4,038			2,081,254	2,071,534	2,260,000	2,250,961
25	UP (EAST)	38,100	38,875	36,100	35,881					5,808	5,770			1,445,029	1,390,645	1,525,037	1,471,171
26	UP (WEST)	22,403	22,433	10,318	10,161					2,935	2,411			949,340	991,105	984,996	1,026,110
27	Uttaranchal													300,680	297,256	300,680	297,256
28	WEST BENGAL			4,910	4,872					920	1,140			1,028,542	1,009,368	1,034,372	1,015,380
	Operator-wise Total	2,726,240	2,756,254	1,108,564	1,115,693	162,217	162,044	129,274	122,573	918,680	929,564	3,573,206	3,575,909	29,346,431	29,149,831	37,964,612	37,811,868