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- ❖ **11.59 million Wireless Subscribers added in May 2009.**
- ❖ **Broadband subscribers reach 6.40 million mark.**
- ❖ **Tele-density reaches 38.88 mark.**

New Delhi, 19th June 2009:- Total 11.44 million telephone connections (Wireline and Wireless) have been added during May 2009 as compared to 11.75 million connections added in April 2009. The total number of telephone connections reaches 452.91 million at the end of May 2009 as compared to 441.47 million in April 2009. With this growth, the overall tele-density has reached 38.88 at the end of May 2009 as against 37.94 in April 2009.

The total wireless subscribers (GSM, CDMA & WLL(F)) base stood at 415.25 million at the end of May 2009. A total of 11.59 million wireless subscribers have been added during the month of May 2009 as against 11.90 million wireless subscribers added during the month of April 2009. Circle-wise wireless subscriber base of service providers is given at Annexure-I.

In the wireline segment, the subscriber base has decreased to 37.66 million in the month of May 2009 as against 37.81 million subscribers in April 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 May'07	As on Apr'08	As on May'08	% Growth during May'07 to May'08	Monthly addition in May'08	As on Apr'09*	As on May'09*	% Growth during May'08 to May'09	Monthly Addition in May'09
Wireless	171.79	269.30	277.92	61.78	8.62	403.66	415.25	49.41	11.59
Wireline	40.26	39.21	39.05	-3.00	-0.16	37.81	37.66	-3.56	-0.15
Total	218.05	308.51	316.97	45.36	8.46	441.47	452.91	42.89	11.44

* The data is tentative.

Broadband (\geq 256 Kbps download) Growth: Total Broadband subscribers base has reached 6.40 million by the end of May 2009 as compared to 6.28 million by the end of April 2009.

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

(Subscribers in Million)

As on May'07	2007-08				2008-09			
	As on Apr'08	As on May'08	% Growth during May'07 to May'08	Monthly addition in May'08	As on Apr'09*	As on May'09*	% Growth during May'08 to May'09	Monthly Addition in May'09
2.46	4.01	4.15	68.70	0.14	6.28	6.40	54.22	0.12

* 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 Mobile)		Idea		Bharti Airtel		Reliance	
		Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09
1	Andaman & Nicobar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	A.P.	4,107,549	4,257,943	-	-	-	-	5,188,665	5,292,520	9,471,463	9,821,762	5,656,728	5,773,760
3	Assam	190,474	231,625	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,622,477	1,684,159	1,425,863	1,420,453
4	Bihar	1,048,748	1,251,331	-	-	-	-	1,002,106	1,201,417	7,778,055	8,159,469	5,841,563	5,970,300
5	Chennai	1,585,998	1,606,108	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,207,830	2,268,110	1,401,880	1,406,385
6	Chhatisgarh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Delhi	4,151,163	4,203,442	-	-	-	-	2,356,703	2,326,058	4,913,281	5,013,775	4,070,571	4,273,863
8	Gujarat	8,207,673	8,415,802	-	-	-	-	4,020,894	4,082,321	4,202,918	4,253,725	4,066,084	4,233,197
9	H.P.	56,894	63,517	-	-	-	-	143,770	150,247	974,495	991,275	1,037,391	1,056,925
10	Haryana	2,260,750	2,310,951	-	-	-	-	1,577,879	1,597,891	1,270,229	1,280,162	1,870,756	1,901,320
11	J & K	56,268	85,664	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,708,248	1,785,817	102,230	153,429
12	Jharkhand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	Karnataka	3,820,630	3,946,252	1,683,662	1,715,291	-	-	-	-	10,136,069	10,322,015	4,075,538	4,259,859
14	Kerala	3,255,172	3,370,227	-	-	-	-	4,472,053	4,607,373	2,420,281	2,502,433	2,686,180	2,727,315
15	Kolkata	2,898,756	2,970,734	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,506,825	2,527,010	2,786,758	2,900,093
16	M.P.	445,847	534,564	-	-	-	-	5,210,915	5,400,258	4,830,061	5,001,125	6,370,494	6,527,867
17	Maharashtra	4,917,148	5,141,142	-	-	-	-	7,628,044	7,800,638	6,018,396	6,036,123	4,869,657	5,021,761
18	Mumbai	4,445,950	4,517,438	-	-	2,204,676	2,256,862	825,989	856,365	2,811,299	2,821,221	4,446,345	4,508,511
19	North East-I	210,129	245,980	-	-	-	-	-	-	969,504	1,005,121	466,344	467,380
20	North East-II	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Orissa	481,880	572,757	-	-	-	-	35,019	100,237	3,122,778	3,253,456	2,163,190	2,202,141
22	Punjab	2,269,320	2,303,023	2,487,925	2,519,732	-	-	-	-	3,821,780	3,858,426	1,791,152	1,829,208
23	Rajasthan	5,219,675	5,401,156	-	-	-	-	1,249,702	1,288,417	7,267,379	7,572,262	3,264,269	3,444,233
24	T.N.	5,398,603	5,550,119	-	-	-	-	-	6,066	6,360,685	6,569,274	4,085,631	4,159,335
25	U.P.(E)	6,879,931	7,176,532	-	-	-	-	2,085,662	2,251,382	6,147,131	6,467,537	5,311,562	5,550,076
26	U.P.(W)	4,541,351	4,674,719	-	-	-	-	4,205,253	4,282,063	2,415,305	2,468,395	3,921,965	4,158,330
27	Uttaranchal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	W.B.	5,091,979	5,249,681	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,758,817	3,886,556	3,124,459	3,277,523
	Total	71,541,888	74,080,707	4,171,587	4,235,023	2,204,676	2,256,862	40,002,654	41,243,253	96,735,306	99,549,208	74,836,610	77,223,264

Wireless Total including WLL(F)
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HFCL Infotel		Sistema Shyam		Tata Teleservices		Aircel		MTNL		BSNL		State-wise Total	
Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	83,332	85,605	83,332	85,605
-	-	-	-	3,277,025	3,306,653	86,350	157,237	-	-	3,485,449	3,554,950	31,273,229	32,164,825
-	-	-	-	53,497	59,297	1,808,533	1,880,377	-	-	994,572	1,001,415	6,095,416	6,277,326
-	-	-	-	1,811,590	1,875,730	1,462,983	1,502,738	-	-	2,230,154	2,251,579	21,175,199	22,212,564
-	-	-	41,304	438,594	439,002	2,582,580	2,613,806	-	-	1,152,312	1,155,922	9,369,194	9,530,637
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	930,752	930,741	930,752	930,741
-	-	-	-	4,743,053	4,837,006	140,010	239,254	2,075,727	2,089,045	-	-	22,450,508	22,982,443
-	-	-	-	1,433,388	1,467,368	-	-	-	-	2,654,945	2,652,405	24,585,902	25,104,818
-	-	-	-	137,715	140,149	138,616	149,604	-	-	955,054	972,061	3,443,935	3,523,778
-	-	-	-	1,364,564	1,393,216	-	-	-	-	1,787,995	1,863,401	10,132,173	10,346,941
-	-	-	-	52,792	63,419	886,191	930,250	-	-	939,195	939,056	3,744,924	3,957,635
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	861,578	866,238	861,578	866,238
-	-	-	-	1,416,211	1,426,002	96,670	145,026	-	-	2,823,146	2,890,910	24,051,926	24,705,355
-	-	15,025	28,683	787,442	790,293	93,263	133,195	-	-	3,134,413	3,161,155	16,863,829	17,320,674
-	-	-	-	1,552,539	1,564,657	548,670	552,914	-	-	1,637,998	1,629,967	11,931,546	12,145,375
-	-	-	-	1,331,887	1,371,579	-	-	-	-	2,203,276	2,193,383	20,392,480	21,028,776
-	-	-	-	4,720,006	4,863,169	-	-	-	-	4,091,718	4,073,358	32,244,969	32,936,191
-	-	-	-	2,357,768	2,432,541	61,292	140,627	2,453,830	2,479,224	-	-	19,607,149	20,012,789
-	-	-	-	22,424	27,078	1,073,893	1,143,859	-	-	384,560	392,371	3,126,854	3,281,789
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	427,226	439,025	427,226	439,025
-	-	-	-	695,296	706,333	970,150	990,903	-	-	1,680,514	1,731,462	9,148,827	9,557,289
385,596	382,602	-	-	1,424,624	1,452,394	-	-	-	-	2,936,483	2,954,127	15,116,880	15,299,512
-	-	698,626	797,289	2,605,178	2,650,988	-	-	-	-	3,220,794	3,170,014	23,525,623	24,324,359
-	-	54,989	68,913	726,499	722,087	8,346,805	8,654,732	-	-	3,628,694	3,674,936	28,601,906	29,405,462
-	-	-	-	1,551,810	1,589,114	41,361	77,173	-	-	6,209,489	6,259,330	28,226,946	29,371,144
-	-	-	-	2,227,013	2,288,425	31,697	78,358	-	-	1,903,704	1,919,268	19,246,288	19,869,558
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	835,802	835,120	835,802	835,120
-	-	-	-	996,288	1,020,263	1,216,235	1,295,658	-	-	1,981,145	2,000,792	16,168,923	16,730,473
385,596	382,602	768,640	936,189	35,727,203	36,486,763	19,585,299	20,685,711	4,529,557	4,568,269	53,174,300	53,598,591	403,663,316	415,246,442

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	
		Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09	Apr'09	May'09
1	Andaman Nicobar													19,228	19,066	19,228	19,066
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	104,393	106,086	86,170	86,159					132,146	131,667			2,208,423	2,185,985	2,531,132	2,509,897
3	Assam									8	8			348,971	346,636	348,979	346,644
4	BIHAR			2,304	2,348					2,956	3,503			963,471	962,758	968,731	968,609
5	CHENNAI	277,377	278,469	87,425	88,758					30,596	30,257			1,011,697	1,011,867	1,407,095	1,409,351
6	Chhatisgarh	60,698	60,891											228,458	226,098	289,156	286,989
7	DELHI - NCR	832,262	848,135	150,084	153,054					26,819	26,867	1,528,684	1,529,078			2,537,849	2,557,134
8	GUJARAT	36,492	37,813	108,183	108,862					43,668	43,798			1,916,362	1,897,453	2,104,705	2,087,928
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH			3,265	3,233					685	695			373,086	369,859	377,036	373,787
10	HARYANA	21,434	21,532	7,832	7,299					5,186	5,360			832,782	824,498	867,234	858,689
11	JAMMU & KASHMIR			1	1									238,176	237,162	238,177	237,163
12	Jharkhand													415,914	414,850	415,914	414,850
13	KARNATAK A	423,737	428,829	101,006	101,116					89,021	87,182			2,159,311	2,147,325	2,773,075	2,764,452
14	KERALA	50,836	50,911	55,315	55,219					6,758	7,013			3,454,593	3,448,613	3,567,502	3,561,756
15	KOLKATA	62,511	63,615	88,003	89,065					16,441	16,513			1,369,392	1,363,049	1,536,347	1,532,242
16	MADHYA PRADESH	240,222	240,381	32,574	32,488					2,239	2,276			1,100,093	1,090,156	1,375,128	1,365,301
17	MAHARASH TRA	53,593	54,628	73,462	74,055					131,881	135,368			2,982,380	2,950,524	3,241,316	3,214,575
18	MUMBAI	271,569	276,224	163,401	165,262					414,442	420,722	2,047,225	2,030,027			2,896,637	2,892,235
19	North East-I									7	14			207,093	206,414	207,100	206,428
20	North East-II													128,059	128,345	128,059	128,345
21	ORISSA			2,911	2,930					2,879	2,882			628,313	624,022	634,103	629,834
22	PUNJAB	87,749	89,175	45,034	44,575	162,044	161,847			8,681	8,573			1,335,177	1,327,663	1,638,685	1,631,833
23	RAJASTHAN	33,633	33,683	20,860	21,071			122,573	114,987	1,792	1,920			1,468,944	1,458,470	1,647,802	1,630,131
24	TAMIL NADU	138,440	138,888	36,949	36,858					4,038	4,155			2,071,534	2,056,777	2,250,961	2,236,678
25	UP (EAST)	38,875	22,465	35,881	35,735					5,770	6,014			1,390,645	1,392,533	1,471,171	1,456,747
26	UP (WEST)	22,433	39,576	10,161	10,036					2,411	2,491			991,105	990,905	1,026,110	1,043,008
27	Uttaranchal													297,256	295,660	297,256	295,660
28	WEST BENGAL			4,872	4,816					1,140	1,293			1,009,368	999,284	1,015,380	1,005,393
	Operator-wise Total	2,756,254	2,791,301	1,115,693	1,122,940	162,044	161,847	122,573	114,987	929,564	938,571	3,575,909	3,559,105	29,149,831	28,975,972	37,811,868	37,664,723