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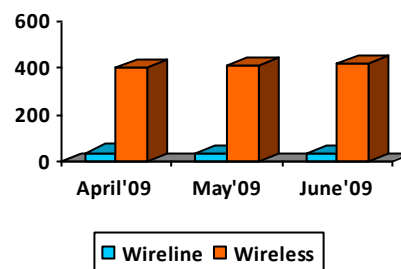
### I. SUBSCRIBER FIGURES

- **11.91 million Wireless Subscribers added in June'2009.**
- **Broadband subscribers reach 6.63 million mark.**
- **Tele-density reaches 39.86% mark.**

	Subscribers in mn		
	Apri'09	May'09	June'09
<b>Wireline</b>	37.81	37.66	37.53
<b>Wireless</b>	403.66	415.25	421.25
<b>Total</b>	441.47	452.91	458.78

*Source: TRAI*

**Subscriber Data - April to June'09**



	Subscribers in mn	
	May'09	June'09
<b>Broadband</b>	6.40	6.63

*Source: TRAI*

### II. TELEDENSITY

	May'09	June'09
<b>Total (%)</b>	38.88	39.86

### III. MINUTES OF USAGE (MoU)

	Dec'08	Mar'09
<b>GSM</b>	496	484
<b>CDMA</b>	370	352

*Source: TRAI Performance Indicators for Qtr ending March'09*

### IV. TRAI DRAFT REGULATION ON MOBILE NUMBER PORTABILITY

**On June 30, 2009** TRAI released draft regulation on Mobile Number portability. Following important points are covered:-

- Subscriber's eligibility conditions for porting.
- Rights, obligations and duties of Telecom service providers, Donor & Recipient operator & MNPO.
- Porting Process guidelines.

*Click here to download the draft Regulation on MNP*

<http://www.traai.gov.in/WriteReadData/traai/upload/Regulations/87/draftregulation30june09.pdf>

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## V. TRAI PERFORMANCE INDICATORS REPORT

**On July 13, 2009** TRAI released the “The Indian Telecom Services Performance Indicators Report” for the **quarter ending March 2009**. The Salient features are as follows:-

### A. Subscriber Growth:

- i. The total subscriber base of wire line and wireless services reaches 429.72 million , Wireless base of 391.76 mn.
- ii. Rural subscriber base is 120.29 million (28%). Urban subscriber base 389.43 million (72%)
- iii. The number of Public Call Offices (PCOs) in the country is 6.20 million registering an increase of 3.68%.
- iv. Overall Teledensity : 36.98%  
Urban Teledensity: 88.66%  
Rural Teledensity: 14.8%

### B. ARPU:

- i. For GSM segment, all India blended ARPU per month is Rs. 205/-.
- ii. **For CDMA segment**, all India blended ARPU per month is Rs. 99/-.

### D. Quality of Service

#### (a) Wireless & Wireline Service

100 GSM operators, 46 CDMA operators and wireline operators have reported their performance in QoS parameters during the quarter ending March 2009.

### E. Financial Details of Telecom Services.

- i. The Gross Revenue of the Telecom Service Sector was Rs.40444.66 Crores and AGR Rs.29,725.37 Crores for the Quarter.
- ii. The Share of Public and Private sector enterprises in the total AGR from Telecom Service is 28.40% and 71.60% respectively.
- iii. Overall percentage of License Fee paid by Telecom Service Providers to AGR is 8.40%.

Click here to download the performance report:  
[www.traai.gov.in/WriteReadData/traai/upload/Reports/47/ReportOEMar09.pdf](http://www.traai.gov.in/WriteReadData/traai/upload/Reports/47/ReportOEMar09.pdf)

## VI. TRAI'S POI'S CONGESTION REPORT

**On July 6, 2009** TRAI released the Network / POI's congestion report of the Cellular Mobile Service Providers for the Month of January, February & March 2009.

Click here to download the POI Congestion Report:  
<http://www.traai.gov.in/WriteReadData/traai/upload/PressReleases/691/pr6july09no58.pdf>

## VII. TRAI LETTERS & CONSULTATION PAPER

- A. TRAI letter no. 116-3/2009/2009-MNP/135 on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2009 seeking comments on various porting charges prior to issue of Consultation paper.

### B. TRAI CONSULTATION PAPER ON VARIOUS CHARGES FOR MOBILE NUMBER PORTABILITY

**On July 22, 2009** TRAI Released consultation paper on determination of per port transaction charges, port charges and dipping charges for mobile number portability.

Click here to download TRAI Consultation Paper on MNP:  
<http://www.traai.gov.in/WriteReadData/traai/upload/ConsultationPapers/173/cpaper22july09.pdf>

- C. TRAI has sent a letter 16-3/2008/FA on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2009 seeking comments of Service Providers on review of Accounting Separation Regulation 2004 latest by 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2009.

## VIII. DOT LETTERS

- A. Instructions regarding Mobile Phone Etiquettes were circulated by DoT on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2009. The letter makes it obligatory on the part of service licensees to create adequate awareness about proper use of mobile phones and ensure supply of literature prescribing mobile phone etiquette whenever a customer purchases mobile handsets and procure a SIM card.

**Some important instructions are:-**

- a. *Mobile should be kept in switched off or in vibration or silent mode as per instructions in the signboards displayed in public places.*

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- b. *Mobile Phone should not be used while driving.*
- c. *Mobile phone should not be used to capture photographs of individuals without their knowledge. etc.etc.*

Click here to download Mobile Phone Etiquettes.  
<http://auspi.in/news/instructions-regarding-mobile-phone-etiquettes.pdf>

- B. DoT circulated a letter seeking comments on relaxation in the licensing agreement of Voice Mail / Audiotex / UMS Licenses for multiple interconnections on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2009.
- C. Pilot Projects on Renewable Energy in USO (Phase-I) Sites: DoT letter informing the extension of last date of submission of EOI document 31<sup>st</sup> July 2009
- D. DoT circulated Summary Record of the DoT meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2009 on 1900MHz band.
- E. DoT letter no. 20-100/2007-AS-I dated 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2009: Amendment of UAS License Agreement w.r.t. lock in period of 3 years for sale of equity of UAS Licensee Company.
- F. DoT letter no. 16-3/09-AS II/603 dated 24<sup>th</sup> July 2009 regarding introduction of 100 as short Message Service for Punjab Police, the DoT intimated that '100' is already a toll free number for police and there is no separate code required for accessing police through 'SMS'.
- G. WPC uploaded the Summary Record of the meeting on the NFAP Review committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2009 at their website.  
 Click here to see  
<http://210.212.79.13/DocFiles/Summary%20Records%20of%20NFAP%20Review-Revision%20Committee%2025062009%20with%20list%20of%20participants.pdf>
- H. DoT circulated Record Note of Discussion held on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2009 on various issues related to Mobile Subscriber Verification.
- I. WPC uploaded the Summary Record of the first meeting of the Joint Task Group – India for the 700 MHz band application channeling plan held on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

- J. DoT circulated a letter no. 16-3/2009-AS III/631 dated 30<sup>th</sup> July 2009 regarding allocation of short code '1096' for Women Distress Helpline in Dhule, Maharashtra.
- K. DoT circulated a letter no. 16-3/09-AS III/632 dated 31<sup>st</sup> July 2009 regarding introduction of '100' as Short message service for the Voice Call to Coastal Security Group of Tamil Nadu Police.

## IX. DOT MEETINGS OF THE MONTH

- A. Mobile Subscriber Verification: A review meeting regarding Mobile Subscriber Verification was held on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2009 Under the Chairmanship of Advisor (Technology) TC. Important points for discussion were as follows:-
  - i. On-the-spot photograph & finger print of mobile applicants.
  - ii. Providing CDRs of missed calls
  - iii. Providing CDRs in real time
  - iv. Password protected website for Subscriber Data Records
  - v. Scanning of CAF/SAF
  - vi. Additional Documents proposed PIA/POI
  - vii. Subscriber Verification exercise etc.

### B. Meeting Regarding 700 MHz Band

The first meeting of the Joint Task Group – India for the 700MHz Band application channeling plan was held on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2009 under the chairmanship of Shri. R. J. Khushwaha, Joint Wireless Advisor.

### C. First Core Committee Meeting on India Telecom 2009 held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2009 in the Chamber of JS (T), Sanchar Bhawan.

### D. Meeting with JS (T) to discuss sharing of expenses of TCOE Coordination Centre.

## X. AUSPI LETTERS

- A. Letter to DoT on Review of Test Schedule for conducting Service Test and issue of Certificate by TERM dated 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2009

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- B.** Letter to DoT & TEC on Installation of BTS Communications Towers in NDMC area on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2009
- C.** Letter to WPC on 1900 MHz (Mixed Band Trial Result) on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2009
- D.** Letter to TRAI in response to their query regarding MNP per port transaction charges on 17<sup>th</sup> July'09
- E.** Letter to EGoM on 3G Spectrum issue on 22<sup>nd</sup> July'2009.
- F.** Letter to DoT on precondition for filing appeal in TDSAT on 24<sup>th</sup> July'09.
- G.** Letter to MoC & IT on Roll out in disturbed areas on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2009.
- H.** Letter to DoT on Computation of AGR for Spectrum Charges on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2009.
- I.** Letter to DoT on license validity for 20 years on 27<sup>th</sup> July'09.
- J.** Letter to Empowered group of Ministers seeking appointment to present Industry views on 3G/BWA Auction on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2009.
- K.** Letter to DoT on Calling Line Identification for National Call Handover on 28<sup>th</sup> July 2009.
- L.** Response submitted to DoT on Voice Mail/Audiotex Licenses for Interconnection with Multiple Operators on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2009.
- M.** Letter submitted to WA in response to Summary Record of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2009 regarding 1900 MHz band

## **XI. AUSPI PRESENTATION TO TRAI**

**On July 13, 2009**, a presentation was given to the Dr J S Sarma, Chairman, TRAI regarding Quality of Service on 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2009 at TRAI office. In addition to Chairman, Member, TRAI, Advisor (QoS), Advisor (FN), Advisor (MN) and other senior officers from TRAI were present.

Please view the "[AUSPI Note](#)" for further details of the presentation.

## **XII. JOINT INDUSTRY LETTER**

- A. On July 13, 2009**, a joint industry letter to the Chairman TRAI on the following long pending issues / challenges confronting the mobile industry:
  - i. Carriage of intra circle Long Distance Calls
  - ii. Review of Port Charges.
- B. On July 28, 2009**, a joint industry letter submitted to DDG, Security, DoT on verification of outstation customers - TERM Cell Issues.
- C. On July 30, 2009**, a joint industry letter submitted to Secretary (T), DoT on Subscriber Verification problems faced in UP (DM UP Issue).

## **XIII. TRAI OPEN HOUSE DISCUSSION**

- Open House Discussion on NGN was held on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at Forte Grand, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi.
- Open House Discussion on MNP regulations was held on 27<sup>th</sup> July'2009 at IHC, New Delhi.
- MNP open house scheduled on 11<sup>th</sup> August at Hyderabad on Port Transaction charges Porting fee and Dipping charges.

## **XIV. AUSPI MEETINGS & OTHER IMPORTANT EVENTS**

### **A. AUSPI MEETINGS**

- Core Group Members of MNP met on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at AUSPI to finalize TRAI Draft Regulation on MNP.
- 108<sup>th</sup> EC Meeting was held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at AUSPI.
- 700MHz Plan - briefing by Qualcomm held on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2009 in the Office of Qualcomm.
- EMF Radiation cum Media Briefing was held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at Hyderabad.
- Discussion in AUSPI regarding various charges of MNP on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2009.

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## B. OTHER IMPORTANT EVENTS

- First Meeting of the CII Service Council was held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at CII Secretariat.
- Committee Meeting on ASSOCHAM Telecom Summit was held on 9<sup>th</sup> July at ASSOCHAM House.
- VAS Asia 2009 was held on 10<sup>th</sup> July at Hotel Le meridian, New Delhi.
- First Technical JWG Meeting to Review MPAS Solution for IGI Terminal – 3 held on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at Udaan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- Seminar on Broadband India 2009 by Intel & Wimax Forum held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at Hotel Shangri La, New Delhi.
- Workshop on IPV4 to IPV6 migration plans by CMAI-TEC held on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2009 at Hotel Intercontinental, Barakhamba Road.
- 5th ASSOCHAM Global Telecom Summit on Broadband was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at Hotel Oberoi, New Delhi.
- INFOCOM Business world CMAI National Telecom Awards 2009 held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2009 at Hotel Le Meridian, New Delhi.

## XV. TELECOM BYTES

### ➤ Access Service Licensees (281)

*as on 30.06.2009*

<b>Basic Service</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>CMTS</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>UASL</b>	<b>241</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>281</b>

*Source DoT*

### ➤ ECBs of Telecom Firm (01/06 to 09/08)

Rs. 32,913 Crore

*Source RBI*

### ➤ USOF Levy from April 2002 to June 2009

Collection : Rs. 26207.11 Crore

Disbursement : Rs. 6948.04 Crore

*Source Parliament Question Response of MOCIT*

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