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- ❖ **9.22 million Wireless Subscribers added in July 2008.**
- ❖ **Broadband subscribers reaches 4.57 million mark.**
- ❖ **Tele-density reaches 29.08% mark.**

New Delhi, 25th August 2008:- Total 9.06 million telephone connections (Wireline and Wireless) have been added during July 2008 as compared to 8.81 million connections added in June 2008. The total number of telephone connections reaches 334.84 million at the end of July 2008 as compared to 325.78 million in June 2008. The overall tele-density is 29.08% at the end of July 2008 as against 28.33% in June 2008.

The total wireless subscribers (GSM, CDMA & WLL(F)) base stood at 296.08 million at the end of July 2008. A total of 9.22 million wireless subscribers have been added during the month of July 2008 as against 8.94 million wireless subscribers added during the month of June 2008. Circle-wise wireless subscriber base of service providers is given at Annexure-I.

In the wireline segment, the subscriber base has slightly decreased to 38.76 million in the month of July 2008 as against 38.92 million subscribers in June 2008. Circle-wise wireline subscriber base of service providers is given at Annexure-II.

Comparison table of subscriber base during corresponding periods of 2007 and 2008 is shown below:

(Subscribers in Million for period ending )

	2007					2008				
	Jan 2007	June 2007	July 2007	% growth during Jan'07-Jun'07	Monthly Addition In July '07	Jan' 2008	June 2008*	July 2008*	% growth during Jan'08-Jun'08	Monthly Addition in July '08
<b>Wireless</b>	156.31	184.92	192.98	18.30%	8.06	242.40	286.86	296.08	18.34%	9.22
<b>Wireline</b>	40.40	40.09	39.89	-0.76%	-0.2	39.22	38.92	38.76	-0.76%	-0.16
<b>Total</b>	196.71	225.01	232.87	14.38%	7.86	281.62	325.78	334.84	15.68%	9.06

\* The data is tentative.

**Broadband ( $\geq$  256 Kbps download) Growth:** Total Broadband subscribers base has reached 4.57 million by the end of July 2008 as compared to 4.38 million by the end of June 2008.

Comparison table of broadband subscriber's growth during corresponding periods of 2007 and 2008 is shown below:

(Subscribers in Million for period ending)

Jan 2007	2007				Jan 2008	2008			
	June 2007	July 2007	% growth during Jan'07-Jun'07	Monthly Addition In July '07		June 2008*	July 2008*	% growth during Jan'08-Jun'08	Monthly Addition in July '08
2.15	2.42	2.47	12.55%	0.05	3.27	4.38	4.57	33.94%	0.19

\* The data is tentative.

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Wireless Total including WLL(F)

Annexure -I

Sl.	Circle	Vodafone Essar		Spice		BPL Mobile		Idea		Bharti Airtel		Reliance	
		June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08
1	Andaman & Nicobar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	A.P.	2,927,528	3,037,641	-	-	-	-	3,701,780	3,887,083	6,768,181	7,040,868	4,161,392	4,301,817
3	Assam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	968,708	1,020,467	1,050,935	1,099,313
4	Bihar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,127,696	5,402,006	4,214,059	4,421,582
5	Chennai	1,298,358	1,342,410	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,868,971	1,920,561	1,179,531	1,209,804
6	Chhatisgarh	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Delhi	3,391,355	3,456,827	-	-	-	-	2,041,891	2,078,498	4,085,823	4,101,439	2,621,706	2,707,185
8	Gujarat	6,520,541	6,671,386	-	-	-	-	3,000,310	3,058,479	3,172,894	3,296,878	2,599,165	2,667,779
9	H.P.	-	-	-	-	-	-	93,691	96,189	811,968	821,145	722,071	759,362
10	Haryana	1,448,145	1,520,176	-	-	-	-	1,126,626	1,184,377	1,074,643	1,075,789	1,012,172	1,041,340
11	J & K	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,164,949	1,204,912	859	912
12	Jharkhand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	Karnataka	3,067,734	3,119,513	1,792,907	1,724,842	-	-	-	-	7,621,369	7,931,832	2,753,424	2,889,476
14	Kerala	2,265,341	2,345,727	-	-	-	-	3,117,330	3,273,234	1,731,866	1,800,623	2,206,101	2,244,621
15	Kolkata	2,126,405	2,176,451	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,869,376	1,905,968	2,021,219	2,102,672
16	M.P.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,600,447	3,731,620	3,270,948	3,479,500	4,474,937	4,642,173
17	Maharashtra	3,081,249	3,240,137	-	-	-	-	5,444,733	5,664,946	4,446,823	4,539,202	3,168,970	3,242,346
18	Mumbai	3,689,333	3,789,888	-	-	1,378,471	1,439,956	-	-	2,504,607	2,528,790	3,011,376	3,095,415
19	North East-I	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	606,982	629,654	368,015	381,183
20	North East-II	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Orissa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,005,885	2,104,533	1,551,910	1,623,884
22	Punjab	1,733,060	1,767,163	2,754,963	2,472,408	-	-	-	-	3,259,765	3,281,889	1,150,713	1,170,563
23	Rajasthan	3,340,881	3,526,736	-	-	-	-	941,559	966,935	4,485,126	4,804,962	1,877,867	1,949,423
24	T.N.	3,657,429	3,815,868	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,418,910	4,605,022	2,870,858	2,914,073
25	U.P.(E)	4,224,422	4,475,744	-	-	-	-	1,253,255	1,296,100	4,157,467	4,414,843	3,158,835	3,277,295
26	U.P.(W)	3,189,023	3,310,346	-	-	-	-	2,872,583	3,010,885	1,684,173	1,759,717	2,433,186	2,507,409
27	Uttaranchal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	W.B.	3,234,294	3,354,352	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,276,586	2,407,407	2,178,586	2,287,911
	<b>Total</b>	<b>49,195,098</b>	<b>50,950,365</b>	<b>4,547,870</b>	<b>4,197,250</b>	<b>1,378,471</b>	<b>1,439,956</b>	<b>27,194,205</b>	<b>28,248,346</b>	<b>69,383,716</b>	<b>72,078,007</b>	<b>50,787,887</b>	<b>52,537,538</b>

Wireless Total including WLL(F)  
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Annexure -I

HFCL Infotel		Shyam Telelink		Tata Teleservices		Aircel		MTNL		BSNL		State-wise Total	
June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	62,576	64,309	62,576	64,309
-	-	-	-	2,537,046	2,633,503	-	-	-	-	2,520,125	2,544,224	22,816,052	23,445,136
-	-	-	-	-	-	1,275,330	1,309,046	-	-	1,070,119	1,055,448	4,365,092	4,484,274
-	-	-	-	1,071,783	1,135,734	812,934	885,998	-	-	1,335,444	1,399,417	12,561,916	13,244,737
-	-	-	-	397,149	406,547	1,994,454	2,056,870	-	-	990,505	1,014,063	7,728,968	7,950,255
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	766,630	774,578	766,630	774,578
-	-	-	-	3,606,298	3,736,873	-	-	1,717,031	1,767,678	-	-	17,464,104	17,848,500
-	-	-	-	1,038,732	1,079,785	-	-	-	-	2,349,365	2,381,600	18,681,007	19,155,907
-	-	-	-	116,946	119,526	58,681	67,058	-	-	620,297	623,924	2,423,654	2,487,204
-	-	-	-	959,699	1,002,909	-	-	-	-	1,365,192	1,389,119	6,986,477	7,213,710
-	-	-	-	-	-	362,550	399,461	-	-	924,699	924,099	2,453,057	2,529,384
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	673,681	690,257	673,681	690,257
-	-	-	-	1,155,996	1,181,729	-	-	-	-	2,116,163	2,148,745	18,507,593	18,996,137
-	-	-	-	648,660	669,633	-	-	-	-	2,742,622	2,770,880	12,711,920	13,104,718
-	-	-	-	1,306,115	1,344,533	107,181	143,182	-	-	1,077,609	1,093,720	8,507,905	8,766,526
-	-	-	-	880,535	919,149	-	-	-	-	1,714,190	1,751,638	13,941,057	14,524,080
-	-	-	-	3,262,265	3,380,662	-	-	-	-	3,553,409	3,585,901	22,957,449	23,653,194
-	-	-	-	1,922,798	1,976,832	-	-	2,001,290	2,048,861	-	-	14,507,875	14,879,742
-	-	-	-	-	-	668,420	695,070	-	-	287,867	299,248	1,931,284	2,005,155
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	400,217	328,673	400,217	328,673
-	-	-	-	479,199	506,469	509,759	520,772	-	-	1,238,387	1,266,120	5,785,140	6,021,778
342,896	358,529	-	-	1,029,509	1,065,605	-	-	-	-	2,187,850	2,249,552	12,458,756	12,365,709
-	-	109,774	115,462	1,845,917	1,958,162	-	-	-	-	2,580,766	2,654,982	15,181,890	15,976,662
-	-	-	-	638,102	654,926	5,426,841	5,651,939	-	-	2,778,387	2,797,327	19,790,527	20,439,155
-	-	-	-	1,147,571	1,187,818	-	-	-	-	4,716,724	4,805,481	18,658,274	19,457,281
-	-	-	-	1,576,948	1,622,453	-	-	-	-	1,624,952	1,646,722	13,380,865	13,857,532
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	695,668	696,078	695,668	696,078
-	-	-	-	708,536	746,830	708,693	746,133	-	-	1,561,941	1,576,969	10,668,636	11,119,602
342,896	358,529	109,774	115,462	26,329,804	27,329,678	11,924,843	12,475,529	3,718,321	3,816,539	41,955,385	42,533,074	286,868,270	296,080,273

**Wireline Subscriber Base**

**Annexure-II**

Sl. No	Circle	Bharti Airtel Ltd.		Reliance Communications		HFCL infotel		Shyam Telelink		Tata Teleservices		MTNL		BSNL		State-wise Total	
		June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08	June'08	July'08
1	Andaman Nicobar													24,147	23,926	24,147	23,926
2	ANDHRA PRADESH	69,467	74,403	75,337	77,382					123,871	124,749			2,383,183	2,355,616	2,651,858	2,632,150
3	Assam													421,216	415,007	421,216	415,007
4	BIHAR			1,798	1,915					4,813	4,847			968,342	966,588	974,953	973,350
5	CHENNAI	273,597	274,152	72,432	72,903					24,569	24,916			995,504	993,369	1,366,102	1,365,340
6	Chhatisgarh	60,527	60,609											247,777	242,778	308,304	303,387
7	DELHI - NCR	740,431	745,833	117,961	121,189					25,180	25,771	1,553,645	1,548,996			2,437,217	2,441,789
8	GUJARAT	26,193	27,777	97,709	100,332					36,741	37,617			2,063,810	2,039,963	2,224,453	2,205,689
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH			3,698	3,821					390	390			400,366	395,818	404,454	400,029
10	HARYANA	21,060	21,099	9,197	9,445					2,485	2,622			884,002	885,585	916,744	918,751
11	JAMMU & KASHMIR			1	1									248,463	247,968	248,464	247,969
12	Jharkhand													441,508	435,994	441,508	435,994
13	KARNATAK A	383,502	388,978	89,021	91,729					86,477	88,347			2,267,692	2,248,425	2,826,692	2,817,479
14	KERALA	42,584	44,389	47,320	48,477					4,157	4,349			3,560,582	3,557,324	3,654,643	3,654,539
15	KOLKATA	45,586	47,597	70,588	72,735					14,885	14,087			1,373,059	1,373,109	1,504,118	1,507,528
16	MADHYA PRADESH	238,556	238,711	28,670	29,295					1,231	1,200			1,183,977	1,180,420	1,452,434	1,449,626
17	MAHARASH TRA	34,898	36,601	59,793	61,174					99,259	101,678			3,323,040	3,269,494	3,516,990	3,468,947
18	MUMBAI	179,926	189,747	131,883	136,713					332,364	339,889	2,076,540	2,061,709			2,720,713	2,728,058
19	North East-I													210,653	209,787	210,653	209,787
20	North East-II													123,942	124,025	123,942	124,025
21	ORISSA			4,407	4,481					1,583	1,676			762,863	758,853	768,853	765,010
22	PUNJAB	67,713	69,350	46,523	47,047	147,755	149,479			5,586	6,060			1,403,541	1,401,685	1,671,118	1,673,621
23	RAJASTHAN	24,621	25,999	17,022	17,505			155,675	150,759	714	782			1,529,876	1,521,127	1,727,908	1,716,172
24	TAMIL NADU	135,094	135,445	30,625	31,291					2,485	2,515			2,249,971	2,224,304	2,418,175	2,393,555
25	UP (EAST)	27,702	28,867	33,342	34,411					3,346	3,363			1,444,240	1,441,942	1,508,630	1,508,583
26	UP (WEST)	22,275	22,290	8,603	9,094					1,728	1,835			939,034	938,502	971,640	971,721
27	Uttaranchal													317,307	312,542	317,307	312,542
28	WEST BENGAL			5,685	5,881					338	368			1,097,982	1,092,970	1,104,005	1,099,219
	<b>Operator-wise Total</b>	<b>2,393,732</b>	<b>2,431,847</b>	<b>951,615</b>	<b>976,821</b>	<b>147,755</b>	<b>149,479</b>	<b>155,675</b>	<b>150,759</b>	<b>772,202</b>	<b>787,061</b>	<b>3,630,185</b>	<b>3,610,705</b>	<b>30,866,077</b>	<b>30,657,121</b>	<b>38,917,241</b>	<b>38,763,793</b>