

**Progress and status of different Telecom development parameters**  
**For the month of March 2006**

- (i) The position of the number of phones and the growth therein is depicted in the following table:

<b>Additions in lakh</b>			
<b>a)</b>	<b>March'05</b>	<b>March'06</b>	<b>Growth (%)</b>
	12.32	64.02	419.64%
<b>b)</b>	<b>April-March'05</b>	<b>April-March'06</b>	<b>Growth (%)</b>
	218.33	437.19	100.24%
<b>c)</b>	<b>Number of telephones (cumulative) as on</b>		
	<b>31st March'05</b>	<b>31st March'06 *</b>	<b>Growth (%)</b>
	983.73	1420.92	44.44%
* The WLL Phones (PSUs & Pvt.) at the end of March'06 are (in lakh) 326.68			

- (ii) The figures for tele-density based on provisional population of March 2004, 2005 & 2006 are as follows:

<b>Tele-density</b>		
<b>March'04</b>	<b>March'05</b>	<b>March'06</b>
7.08	8.95	12.74

- (iii) The performance of various parameters during **March 2006** as well as during **March 2005-March 2006** is given in the following tables:

<b>A - Monthly Performance</b>					
S.No.	Description		Additions in		Position at the end of
			March'05	March'06	March'06
1	No.of Telephones (Fixed+WLL) (In Lakh)	Public	3.61	6.10	419.79
		Private	-3.71	18.42	309.15
		Total	-0.10	24.52	728.94
2	Cellular Subscribers (In Lakh)	Public	6.98	12.65	191.05
		Private	5.44	26.85	500.93
		Total	12.42	39.50	691.98
3	Total Telephones		12.32	64.02	1420.92
4	Teledensity (Based On Prov. Popl <sup>n</sup> of Mar.'04 & 05)		-	-	12.74
5	Switching Capacity [PSUs] (In Lakh)		16.13	20.18	792.14
6	Waiting List - Fixed Phones [In Lakh]		-1.20	-2.30	12.19
7	VPTs [PSUs+Private]	Public	2670	4444	534446
		Private	0	0	12665
		Total	2670	4444	547111
8	PCOs [PSUs] (In Lakh) *		21.14	23.44	-
9	OFC Route kms		12126	4757	490437
10	TAX Lines (In Lakh)		3.65	1.74	69.53
11	Rural DELs [PSU]		299903	406996	14768247

\*Positions at the end of Feb.'05 & Feb.'06

<b>B-Cumulative Position</b>						
S.No.	Description		Performance during		Target (2005-06)	
			April'04- March'05	April'05- March'06	(For PSUs Only)	
1	No.of Telephones (Fixed+WLL) (In Lakh)	Public	8.91	2.20	255.00	
		Private	60.71	153.27		
		Total	69.62	155.47		
2	Cellular Subscribers (In Lakh)	Public	47.14	87.76		
		Private	101.57	193.96		
		Total	148.71	281.72		
3	Total Telephones (Fixed + Cellular)		218.33	437.19		6.00
4	Switching Capacity [PSUs] (In Lakh)		67.14	124.75		
5	Waiting List - Fixed Phones [In Lakh]		-1.70	-4.02		
6	VPTs [PSUs+Private]	Public	9310	16333		12509
		Private	0	0		
		Total	9310	16333		
7	PCOs [PSUs] (In Lakh) *		3.92	1.93		
8	OFC Route kms		25377	19238	69300	
9	TAX Lines (In Lakh)		7.97	8.14	8.24	
10	Rural DELs [PSU]		1296967	1199163	14 Lakh	

\*As in March'05 & Feb.'06 Note: For Swg. Cap.-BSNL has not fixed target yet.