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Please find enclosed Monthly Telecom Scenario, which contains updated figures on various telecom parameters up to June'19.

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Monthly Telecom Scenario

June'19



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Overview

The following table gives a summary of the sector's performance vis-à-vis last month:

| Parameter | Unit | June'19 | May'19 |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|----------------|
| Total Phones | | 1186.53 | 1183.02 |
| Wireline | | 21.17 | 21.29 |
| Wireless | | 1165.36 | 1161.73 |
| Rural | million | 511.00 | 508.42 |
| Urban | | 675.53 | 674.60 |
| Public | | 133.39 | 133.27 |
| Private | | 1053.14 | 1049.75 |
| Wireline %age to Total Phones | | 1.78 | 1.80 |
| Wireless %age to Total Phones | | 98.22 | 98.20 |
| Rural %age to Total Phones | %age | 43.07 | 42.98 |
| Urban %age to Total Phones | - /œuge | 56.93 | 57.02 |
| Public %age to Total Phones | | 11.24 | 11.27 |
| Private %age to Total Phones | | 88.76 | 88. <i>7</i> 3 |
| Overall Teledensity | | 90.10 | 89.91 |
| Wireline Teledensity | 7 | 1.61 | 1.62 |
| Wireless Teledensity | | 88.49 | 88.30 |
| Rural Teledensity | %age | 57.04 | 56.78 |
| Urban Teledensity | | 160.47 | 160.49 |
| Public | | 10.13 | 10.13 |
| Private | | 79.97 | 79.78 |
| Teledensity: Top five Circles | | | |
| Himachal Pradesh | | 146.70 | 146.34 |
| Kerala | | 126.76 | 126.22 |
| Punjab | %age | 125.22 | 124.94 |
| Tamil Nadu | | 116.33 | 116.40 |
| Karnataka | | 109.64 | 108.94 |
| Teledensity: Metros | | | |
| Delhi | | 240.53 | 240.49 |
| Mumbai | %age | 166.20 | 165.31 |
| Kolkata | | 164.78 | 164.83 |
| Broadband | million | 594.59 | 581.51 |

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At the end of June'19, the total number of telephones was 1186.53 million, compared to 1183.02 million by the end of May'19, showing an increase of 3.51 million. Maximum rise in total telephone connections was recorded in Andhra Pradesh (573968) followed by Uttar Pradesh - [East] (543695) and Karnataka (493649). However, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and West Bengal recorded a fall in telephone connections over previous month, with a decrease of 81075, 60392 & 49379 respectively.

Telephones: Service area-wise (2019-20)

| Service Area | March'19 | April'19 | May'19 | June'19 |
|------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| ANDHRA PRADESH | 88170245 | 88005801 | 87772495 | 88346463 |
| ASSAM | 23080711 | 23426284 | 23505762 | 23654357 |
| BIHAR | 85308742 | 85632929 | 85736314 | 85786473 |
| GUJARAT | 70534207 | 69856023 | 70087384 | 70026992 |
| HARYANA | 27990960 | 27886734 | 28015983 | 28162818 |
| HIMACHAL PRADESH | 10630749 | 10591921 | 10641770 | 10673781 |
| JAMMU & KASHMIR | 11437233 | 11452673 | 11441112 | 11580370 |
| KARNATAKA | 70398285 | 69680955 | 69780523 | 70274172 |
| KERALA | 45840356 | 45979276 | 45904226 | 46116150 |
| MADHYA PRADESH | 75718114 | 76066495 | 76251601 | 76170526 |
| MAHARASHTRA | 94548392 | 94533229 | 94185011 | 94213729 |
| NORTH-EAST | 12115134 | 11988972 | 12082247 | 12136007 |
| ORISSA | 32930410 | 32581015 | 32761956 | 32960432 |
| PUNJAB | 40014807 | 40000402 | 39954333 | 40076000 |
| RAJASTHAN | 64774956 | 65239401 | 65545977 | 65679103 |
| TAMIL NADU | 84480470 | 84400843 | 84154586 | 84142426 |
| UTTAR PRADESH - [East] | 99449999 | 100076523 | 99691849 | 100235544 |
| UTTAR PRADESH - [West] | 64887552 | 64964997 | 64766668 | 65160805 |
| WEST BENGAL | 57719640 | 57551550 | 56670731 | 56621352 |
| KOLKATA | 27047850 | 27036593 | 26981101 | 26993467 |
| DELHI | 55394424 | 55749272 | 56100399 | 56241303 |
| MUMBAI | 40934182 | 40966369 | 40987394 | 41276410 |
| TOTAL | 1183407418 | 1183668257 | 1183019422 | 1186528680 |

1 Source: BSNL/MTNL/COA

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Service area-wise analysis reveals that Uttar Pradesh - [East] had the highest share in the total telephones (8.45%) followed by Maharashtra (7.94%), Andhra Pradesh (7.45%), Bihar (7.23%) and Tamil Nadu (7.09%). These five Service areas taken together accounted for 38.16% of total telephone connections in India.

| Telephon | es during the | e month of Ju | Jne'19 | |
|-------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Service Area | Wireline | Wireless | Total Phones | %age Share Total Phones |
| ANDHRA PRADESH | 1371828 | 86974635 | 88346463 | 7.45 |
| ASSAM | 109631 | 23544726 | 23654357 | 1.99 |
| BIHAR | 217546 | 85568927 | 85786473 | 7.23 |
| GUJARAT | 1100036 | 68926956 | 70026992 | 5.90 |
| HARYANA | 264303 | 27898515 | 28162818 | 2.37 |
| HIMACHAL PRADESH | 109754 | 10564027 | 10673781 | 0.90 |
| JAMMU & KASHMIR | 101706 | 11478664 | 11580370 | 0.98 |
| KARNATAKA | 2120711 | 68153461 | 70274172 | 5.92 |
| KERALA | 1849950 | 44266200 | 46116150 | 3.89 |
| MADHYA PRADESH | 769940 | 75400586 | 76170526 | 6.42 |
| MAHARASHTRA | 1608207 | 92605522 | 94213729 | 7.94 |
| NORTH-EAST | 100817 | 12035190 | 12136007 | 1.02 |
| ORISSA | 227271 | 32733161 | 32960432 | 2.78 |
| PUNJAB | 755390 | 39320610 | 40076000 | 3.38 |
| RAJASTHAN | 524035 | 65155068 | 65679103 | 5.54 |
| TAMIL NADU | 2138599 | 82003827 | 84142426 | 7.09 |
| UTTAR PRADESH - [East] | 415196 | 99820348 | 100235544 | 8.45 |
| UTTAR PRADESH - [West] | 291147 | 64869658 | 65160805 | 5.49 |
| WEST BENGAL | 203508 | 56417844 | 56621352 | 4.77 |
| KOLKATA | 693985 | 26299482 | 26993467 | 2.27 |
| DELHI | 3284590 | 52956713 | 56241303 | 4.74 |
| MUMBAI | 2911382 | 38365028 | 41276410 | 3.48 |
| TOTAL | 21169532 | 1165359148 | 1186528680 | 100.00 |
| 1 Source: BSNL/MTNL/COA | | | | |

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The overall tele-density at the end of June'19 stood at 90.10%. Among the Service areas, Himachal Pradesh (146.70%) had the highest tele-density followed by Kerala (126.76%), Punjab (125.22%), Tamil Nadu (116.33%) and Karnataka (109.64%). Among the three metros, Delhi Service Area topped in tele-density with 240.53%, followed by Mumbai (166.20%) and Kolkata (164.78%).

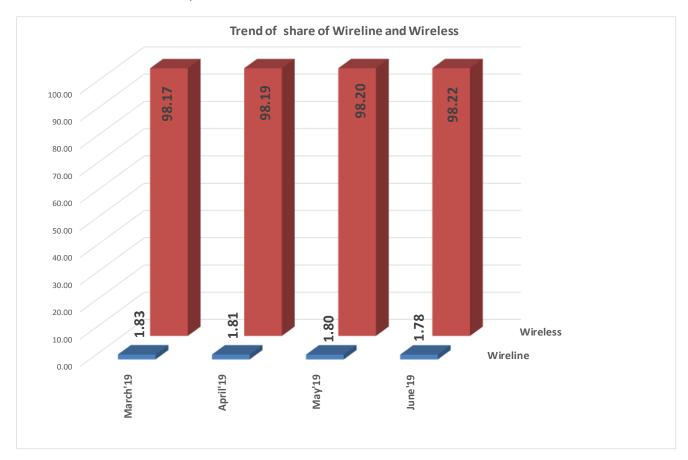
Tele-density: Service area-wise (in %age) (2019-20)

| Service Area | March'19 | April'19 | May'19 | June'19 |
|------------------------|----------|----------|--------|---------|
| ANDHRA PRADESH | 97.55 | 97.32 | 97.00 | 97.58 |
| ASSAM | 68.81 | 69.78 | 69.96 | 70.34 |
| BIHAR | 59.95 | 60.12 | 60.15 | 60.13 |
| GUJARAT | 107.21 | 106.09 | 106.35 | 106.17 |
| HARYANA | 97.66 | 97.19 | 97.54 | 97.94 |
| HIMACHAL PRADESH | 146.37 | 145.73 | 146.34 | 146.70 |
| JAMMU & KASHMIR | 89.43 | 89.49 | 89.33 | 90.36 |
| KARNATAKA | 110.04 | 108.85 | 108.94 | 109.64 |
| KERALA | 126.15 | 126.48 | 126.22 | 126.76 |
| MADHYA PRADESH | 70.11 | 70.36 | 70.47 | 70.32 |
| MAHARASHTRA | 92.83 | 92.75 | 92.33 | 92.29 |
| NORTH-EAST | 84.17 | 83.22 | 83.81 | 84.11 |
| ORISSA | 75.74 | 74.90 | 75.27 | 75.68 |
| PUNJAB | 125.35 | 125.19 | 124.94 | 125.22 |
| RAJASTHAN | 85.34 | 85.86 | 86.18 | 86.26 |
| TAMIL NADU | 116.94 | 116.79 | 116.40 | 116.33 |
| UTTAR PRADESH - [East] | 68.63 | 68.85 | 68.52 | 68.83 |
| UTTAR PRADESH - [West] | | | | |
| WEST BENGAL | 71.39 | 71.14 | 70.00 | 69.90 |
| KOLKATA | 165.51 | 165.31 | 164.83 | 164.78 |
| DELHI | 238.57 | 239.54 | 240.49 | 240.53 |
| MUMBAI | 165.62 | 165.49 | 165.31 | 166.20 |
| TOTAL | 90.10 | 90.04 | 89.91 | 90.10 |

^{1.}Source: BSNL/MTNL/COAI and O/o Registrar General

^{2.} No separate population data is available for UP(W); so UP(E) and UP(W) have been clubbed together to show the figures for UP.

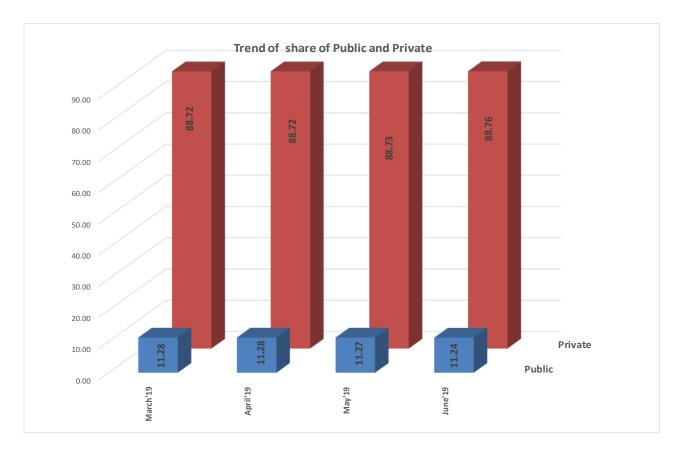
The share of wireless segment in total connections stood at 98.22% by the end of June'19, while the share of wireline telephones was 1.78%.



Telephones: Wireline vs Wireless (2019-20)

| Month | | Telephones | } | م ما ما نانا م م | Share% age | | % age Growth | | |
|----------|----------|------------|------------|------------------|------------|----------|--------------|----------|---------|
| | Wireline | Wireless | Total | Additions | Wireline | Wireless | Wireline | Wireless | Overall |
| March'19 | 21695946 | 1161711472 | 1183407418 | -21974550 | 1.83 | 98.17 | -0.09 | -1.85 | -1.82 |
| | | | | 2019-20 | | | | | |
| April'19 | 21472015 | 1162196242 | 1183668257 | 260839 | 1.81 | 98.19 | -1.03 | 0.04 | 0.02 |
| May'19 | 21289148 | 1161730274 | 1183019422 | -648835 | 1.80 | 98.20 | -0.85 | -0.04 | -0.05 |
| June'19 | 21169532 | 1165359148 | 1186528680 | 3509258 | 1.78 | 98.22 | -0.56 | 0.31 | 0.30 |

In June'19, share of public sector in total telephones was 11.24%, as against 88.76% of the private sector. In May'19, it was 11.27% and 88.73% respectively.

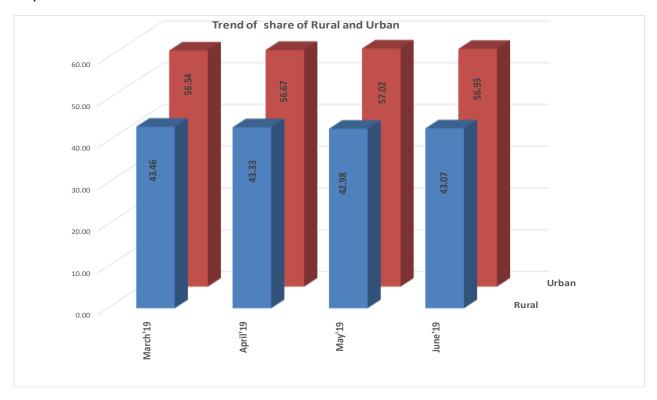


Telephones: Public vs. Private (2019-20)

| Month | Telephones | | Additions | | Share% age | | % age Growth | | |
|----------|------------|------------|------------|---------|------------|--------|--------------|--------|---------|
| | Public | Private | Total | Public | Private | Public | Private | Public | Private |
| March'19 | 133507010 | 1049900408 | 1183407418 | -710623 | -21263927 | 11.28 | 88.72 | -0.53 | -1.99 |
| | - | | - | 2019-20 | • | | | | |
| April'19 | 133496437 | 1050171820 | 1183668257 | -10573 | 271412 | 11.28 | 88.72 | -0.01 | 0.03 |
| May'19 | 133274353 | 1049745069 | 1183019422 | -222084 | -426751 | 11.27 | 88.73 | -0.17 | -0.04 |
| June'19 | 133389198 | 1053139482 | 1186528680 | 114845 | 3394413 | 11.24 | 88.76 | 0.09 | 0.32 |

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Share of rural areas in total telephones increased to 43.07% in June'19 against 42.98% of May'19. The share of urban areas, on the other hand, decreased to 56.93% in June'19 from 57.02% in May'19.



Telephones: Rural vs. Urban (2019-20)

| Month | Month Telephones | | | Additions | | Share% age | | % age Growth | |
|----------|------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| | Rural | Urban | Total | Rural | Urban | Rural | Urban | Rural | Urban |
| March'19 | 514266285 | 669141133 | 1183407418 | -12160321 | -9814229 | 43.46 | 56.54 | -2.31 | -1.45 |
| | | | 2 | 019-20 | - | | | | |
| April'19 | 512841024 | 670827233 | 1183668257 | -1425261 | 1686100 | 43.33 | 56.67 | -0.28 | 0.25 |
| May'19 | 508423677 | 674595745 | 1183019422 | -4417347 | 3768512 | 42.98 | 57.02 | -0.86 | 0.56 |
| June'19 | 511002667 | 675526013 | 1186528680 | 2578990 | 930268 | 43.07 | 56.93 | 0.51 | 0.14 |

Overall teledensity for the month of June'19 stood at 90.10% as against 89.91% in May'19. The Teledensity for wireless segment was 88.49% whereas that of wireline segment was 1.61%. Teledensity reported in rural areas was 57.04% and that in the urban areas was 160.47%. In Public sector, teledensity was 10.13% and in Private sector, it was 79.97% for the month of June'19.

Tele-density (2019-20)

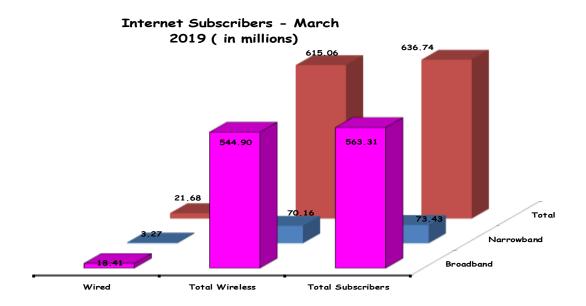
| Month | | Teledensity (%age) | | | | | | | |
|----------|-------|--|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|--|--|
| | Rural | Rural Urban Overall Wireline Wireless Public Private | | | | | | | |
| March'19 | 57.50 | 159.66 | 90.10 | 1.65 | 88.45 | 10.16 | 79.94 | | |
| | | | 2019 | -20 | | | | | |
| April'19 | 57.31 | 159.83 | 90.04 | 1.63 | 88.41 | 10.16 | 79.89 | | |
| May'19 | 56.78 | 160.49 | 89.91 | 1.62 | 88.30 | 10.13 | 79.78 | | |
| June'19 | 57.04 | 160.47 | 90.10 | 1.61 | 88.49 | 10.13 | 79.97 | | |

The number of Internet subscribers (both broadband and narrowband put together) which was 493.95 million at the end of March, 2018 increased to 636.74 million by the end of March'19 registering a quarterly growth of 9.32% over October-december'18. The number of subscribers accessing internet via wireless phones was 615.06 million at the end of March'19. The number of wired Internet subscribers was 21.68 million at the end of March'19.

Trend of Internet Subscribers

| Total Internet Subscribers (Includes wired, | March'18 | June'18 | September'18 | December'18 | March'19 |
|---|----------|---------|--------------|-------------|----------|
| fixed Wireless and Mobile Wireless) | 493.95 | 512.27 | 560.01 | 604.21 | 636.74 |
| Quarterly Growth (in Percentage) | 10.76 | 3.71 | 9.32 | 7.89 | 9.32 |

| Internet Subscriber Base in India - March'19 * (in million) | | | | | | | |
|---|-------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| Segment Wired Total Wireless Total | | | | | | | |
| Broadband | 18.41 | 544.90 | 563.31 | | | | |
| Narrowband | 3.27 | 70.16 | 73.43 | | | | |
| Total 21.68 615.06 636.74 | | | | | | | |
| * As per the TRAI input | | | | | | | |



The number of Broadband subscribers was 594.59 million at the end of June'19 as compared to 581.51 million in May'19, showing an increase of 2.25%.

| Broadband Subscribers in India * (In million) | | | | |
|---|-------|----------------|----------------------|----------|
| At the end of | Wired | Total Wireless | Total Subscribers | % growth |
| January'19 | 18.27 | 521.77 | 540.04 | 4.14 |
| February'19 | 18.29 | 531.95 | 550.24 | 1.89 |
| March'19 | 18.42 | 544.89 | 563.31 | 2.38 |
| April'19 | 18.41 | 553.53 | 571.94 | 1.53 |
| May'19 | 18.45 | 563.06 | 581.51 | 1.67 |
| June'19 | 18.42 | 576.17 | 594.59 | 2.25 |
