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| | Bberg | | Price | | Change |
|---------|--------|-----|-------|-------|--------|
| Company | Ticker | Rec | (Rs) | (Rs) | (%) |
| Bharti | BHARTI | UP | 275 | 280 | 2% |
| RCOM | RCOM | UP | 172 | 160 | -7% |
| Idea | IDEA | UP | 54 | 35 | -36% |
| MTNL | MTNL | UP | 53 | 47 | -12% |
| TCOM | TCOM | UP | 247 | 247 | 0% |
| RIL | RIL | OP | 1,046 | 1,293 | 22% |

Note: Prices as of 11 June 2010 Source: Bloomberg, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Investment fundamentals – Bharti Standalone India business

| | 2010A | 2011E | 2012E |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total revenue (Rsbn) | 396.2 | 600.6 | 662.5 |
| EBITDA (Rsbn) | 159.3 | 231.8 | 266.9 |
| PER adj (x) | 11.6 | 17.6 | 13.9 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 6.4 | 4.4 | 3.8 |

Investment fundamentals - RCOM

| | 2010A | 2011E | 2012E |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total revenue (Rsbn) | 235.9 | 276.6 | 313.7 |
| EBITDA (Rsbn) | 86.3 | 100.0 | 116.3 |
| PER adj (x) | 9.8 | 8.3 | 6.7 |
| EV/EBITDA (x) | 6.7 | 5.8 | 5.0 |

Investment fundamentals - Idea

| Total revenue (Rsbn) | 118.0 | 135.3 | 152.6 |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| EBITDA (Rsbn) | 34.6 | 43.2 | 51.1 |
| PER adj (x) | 22.2 | 91.0 | 28.0 |
| EV/EBITDÁ (x) | 6.3 | 5.1 | 4.3 |

Investment fundamentals - MTNL

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Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010

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India Wireless Sector

Déjà vu 2003: from crowd to stampede

Event

- BWA auctions ended with three major negative consequences for the already-beleaguered Indian telecom sector. First, the pan-India winning price of Rs128.47bn (US\$2.74bn) per slot was well ahead of anyone's expectations. Second, it led to a fractured verdict, with the largest incumbents coming out croppers with no circle wins, except for Bharti, which won in only four circles. Lastly, in a repeat of 2003, we are seeing the birth of four new players in the Indian telco space. While one could dismiss their entry citing competition only for wireless data, this clearly thwarts the future growth option for incumbents from wireless data during the next five years. Of the four new entrants, most notable is Reliance Industries, India's largest company, which began the remarkable telecom foray in 2003 of what is now called RCOM.
- We are clear that one needs a serious reassessment of Indian telecoms, and the hope of consolidation to reduce the number of players to a workable seven or eight is just that – hope. We reiterate our Underperform ratings on the entire listed operator space – Bharti, RCOM, Idea, TCOM and MTNL. In our view, all of it is 'dead money' for the next six to nine months. We believe that the only event worth investing in may be RCOM attaining a cash infusion on the 26% stake sale at a good premium.

Impact

- RCOM, Vodafone, Idea and Tata are notable absentees from the list of BWA spectrum winners. Aircel Maxis continued to surprise in BWA (as in 3G) with wins in eight circles. BSNL and MTNL have been allotted BWA spectrum in 20 and two circles, respectively (the third pan-India BWA slot).
- The biggest surprise winner is Infotel Broadband, which won all 22 circles (pan-India) for US\$2.74bn. Other surprise winners were QUALCOMM (QCOM US, US\$35.03, Outperform, TP: US\$50.00, Phil Cusick) in four circles, Tikona (unlisted) in five circles and Augere (unlisted) in one circle.
- Within hours of the BWA result release, Reliance Industries disclosed that it has acquired a 95% stake in Infotel Broadband by infusing approximately US\$1.02bn and that RIL would pay US\$2.74bn to the government for Infotel's BWA spectrum. This marks the reentry of RIL into telecoms, and the fresh capital infusion would help Infotel launch its services targeted at corporates/enterprises by next year. Although no capex plan has been disclosed, we believe that the size of RIL's balance sheet (US\$46.3bn) and its annual operating cashflow of US\$4.4bn would be able to fund expansion in the scope and scale of the telecom business over time and a potential entry into the whole gamut of services, chiefly voice.

Outlook

Headwinds galore for the incumbents, in-market consolidation a pipe dream unless regulations change; valuations expensive as downgrades start coming through: MNP implementation could occur by September 2010, which could lead to a 7–8% correction in ARPU, entirely led by postpaid. We view the regulatory framework on M&A as the key hurdle for inmarket consolidation, even while supply of new capacity continues unabated.

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Circle-wise details and impact of BWA license payouts on Indian telcos

Fig 1 Final operator-wise BWA spectrum payout in cash; full cash to be paid out in 10 days

| In Rs m, unless mentioned | | | BWA spectrum payout | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------------|------------|---------------------|--------|---------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| | No of Slots | Base Price | Final Bid | Bharti | Infotel | Qualcomm | Tikona | Augere | Airce | | | | |
| Delhi | 2 | 1,600 | 22,410 | - | 22410 | 22410 | - | - | | | | | |
| Mumbai | 2 | 1,600 | 22,930 | - | 22930 | 22930 | - | - | | | | | |
| Maharashtra | 2 | 1,600 | 9,156 | 9156 | 9156 | - | - | - | | | | | |
| Gujarat | 2 | 1,600 | 6,139 | - | 6139 | - | 6139 | - | | | | | |
| Andhra Pradesh | 2 | 1,600 | 10,591 | - | 10591 | - | - | - | 10591 | | | | |
| Karnataka | 2 | 1,600 | 15,433 | 15433 | 15433 | - | - | - | | | | | |
| Tamil Nadu | 2 | 1,600 | 20,695 | - | 20695 | - | - | - | 20695 | | | | |
| Kolkata | 2 | 600 | 5,232 | 5232 | 5232 | - | - | - | | | | | |
| Kerala | 2 | 600 | 2,587 | - | 2587 | 2587 | - | - | | | | | |
| Punjab | 2 | 600 | 3,323 | 3323 | 3323 | - | - | - | | | | | |
| Haryana | 2 | 600 | 1,199 | - | 1199 | 1199 | - | - | | | | | |
| Uttar Pradesh (E) | 2 | 600 | 1,425 | - | 1425 | - | 1425 | - | | | | | |
| Uttar Pradesh (W) | 2 | 600 | 1,839 | - | 1839 | = | 1839 | = | | | | | |
| Rajasthan | 2 | 600 | 973 | - | 973 | - | 973 | - | | | | | |
| Madhya Pradesh | 2 | 600 | 1,247 | - | 1247 | - | - | 1247 | | | | | |
| West Bengal | 2 | 600 | 710 | - | 710 | - | - | - | 710 | | | | |
| Himachal Pradesh | 2 | 150 | 207 | - | 207 | - | 207 | - | | | | | |
| Bihar | 2 | 150 | 993 | - | 993 | - | - | - | 993 | | | | |
| Orissa | 2 | 150 | 636 | - | 636 | - | - | - | 636 | | | | |
| Assam | 2 | 150 | 330 | - | 330 | - | - | - | 330 | | | | |
| North East | 2 | 150 | 213 | - | 213 | - | - | - | 213 | | | | |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 2 | 150 | 213 | - | 213 | - | - | - | 213 | | | | |
| Total payable (Rs mn) | 70 | 17,500 | 128,478 | 33,144 | 128,478 | 49,125 | 10,582 | 1,247 | 34,380 | | | | |
| Total payable (US\$ mn) | | 374 | 2,747 | 709 | 2,747 | 1,050 | 226 | 27 | 735 | | | | |
| Metro & Category A | | | | 3 | 8 | 2 | 1 | - | 2 | | | | |
| Category B | | | | 1 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Category C | | | | - | 6 | - | 1 | - | 5 | | | | |
| Total Circles won | | | | 4 | 22 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 8 | | | | |

Fig 2 3G/BWA license payout to stretch balance sheets across the board

| | FY11E | FY12E |
|---|-----------|---------|
| BHARTI (Post Zain integration and post 3G/BWA | | |
| Net Debt (Rsm) | 488,828 | 430,084 |
| Gross debt (Rsm) | 558,119 | 468,133 |
| Net Debt/ Equity | 1.03 | 0.78 |
| Net Debt/EBITDA | 2.2 | 1.6 |
| FCF (Rsm) | (36,587) | 85,870 |
| RCOM (Post 3G/BWA) | | |
| Net Debt (Rsm) | 328,695 | 288,444 |
| Gross debt (Rsm) | 345,625 | 307,631 |
| Net Debt/ Equity | 0.70 | 0.53 |
| Net Debt/EBITDA | 4.6 | 3.9 |
| FCF (Rsm) | (79,186) | 236 |
| IDEA CELLULAR (Post 3G/BWA) | | |
| Net Debt (Rsm) | 145,696 | 154,639 |
| Gross debt (Rsm) | 152,502 | 173,502 |
| Net Debt/ Equity | 1.18 | 1.22 |
| Net Debt/EBITDA | 3.7 | 3.1 |
| FCF (Rsm) | (79,338) | (10) |
| MTNL (Post 3G/BWA) | | |
| Net Debt (Rsm) | 83,648 | 87,935 |
| Gross debt (Rsm) | 111,117 | 100,000 |
| Net Debt/ Equity | 0.78 | 0.83 |
| Net Debt/EBITDA | 17.8 | 13.3 |
| FCF (Rsm) | (149,411) | (1,929) |
| Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010 | | |

Fig 3 Final operator-wise BWA spectrum – circles won

In Rs m, Unless **BWA circles Won** mentioned No of Slots **Base Price Final Bid Bharti** Infotel Qualcomm Tikona Aircel Augere Delhi 1,600 22,410 Mumbai 2 1,600 22.930 Maharashtra 1,600 9,156 1,600 6,139 **Gujarat** Andhra Pradesh 2 10.591 1.600 Karnataka 2 1,600 15,433 1 Tamil Nadu 1,600 20,695 Kolkata 600 5,232 2 Kerala 600 2,587 1 Punjab 2 600 3,323 1 1 Haryana 2 600 1,199 1 1 Uttar Pradesh (E) 2 600 1,425 1 1 Uttar Pradesh (W) 2 600 1,839 1 1 Rajasthan 600 973 1 1 Madhya Pradesh 2 1,247 600 1 West Bengal 2 600 710 1 Himachal Pradesh 2 150 207 993 Bihar 2 150 1 Orissa 150 636 Assam 2 150 330 1 North East 2 150 213 1 Jammu & Kashmir 2 150 213 Total 70 17,500 128,478 4 22 4 5 1 8 Total (US\$m) 374 2,747 2 Metro & Category A 3 8 2 Category B 1 8 2 3 1 Category C 6 5

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Fig 4 BWA allocated frequency

Source: DOT, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Total Circles won

| In Rs m, Unless mention | ed | | | BW | A spectrum fr | eauency (in M | Hz) | |
|-------------------------|-------|---------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | No of | Winning | | | | - q | ···- / | |
| | Slots | Price | Bharti | Infotel | Qualcomm | Tikona | Augere | Aircel |
| Delhi | 2 | 22,410 | | 2305.0 - 2325.0 | 2327.5 - 2347.5 | | | |
| Mumbai | 2 | 22,930 | | 2305.0 - 2325.0 | 2327.5 - 2347.5 | | | |
| Maharashtra | 2 | 9,156 | 2305.0 - 2325.0 | 2327.5 - 2347.5 | | | | |
| Gujarat | 2 | 6,139 | | 2305.0 - 2325.0 | | 2327.5 - 2347.5 | | |
| Andhra Pradesh | 2 | 10,591 | | 2347.5 - 2367.5 | | | | 2302.5 - 2322.5 |
| Karnataka | 2 | 15,433 | 2325.0 - 2345.0 | 2302.5 - 2322.5 | | | | |
| Tamil Nadu | 2 | 20,695 | | 2312.5 - 2332.5 | | | | 2335.0 - 2355.0 |
| Kolkata | 2 | 5,232 | 2332.5 - 2352.5 | 2305.0 - 2325.0 | | | | |
| Kerala | 2 | 2,587 | | 2302.5 - 2322.5 | 2325.0 - 2345.0 | | | |
| Punjab | 2 | 3,323 | 2320.0 - 2340.0 | 2357.5 - 2377.5 | | | | |
| Haryana | 2 | 1,199 | | 2322.5 - 2342.5 | 2362.5 - 2382.5 | | | |
| Uttar Pradesh (E) | 2 | 1,425 | | 2357.5 - 2377.5 | | 2320.0 - 2340.0 | | |
| Uttar Pradesh (W) | 2 | 1,839 | | 2357.5 - 2377.5 | | 2320.0 - 2340.0 | | |
| Rajasthan | 2 | 973 | | 2357.5 - 2377.5 | | 2320.0 - 2340.0 | | |
| Madhya Pradesh | 2 | 1,247 | | 2332.5 - 2352.5 | | | 2302.5 - 2322.5 | |
| West Bengal | 2 | 710 | | 2305.0 - 2325.0 | | | | 2332.5 - 2352.5 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 2 | 207 | | 2345.0 - 2365.0 | | 2322.5 - 2342.5 | | |
| Bihar | 2 | 993 | | 2302.5 - 2322.5 | | | | 2335.0 - 2355.0 |
| Orissa | 2 | 636 | | 2335.0 - 2355.0 | | | | 2302.5 - 2322.5 |
| Assam | 2 | 330 | | 2325.0 - 2345.0 | | | | 2302.5 - 2322.5 |
| North East | 2 | 213 | | 2302.5 - 2322.5 | | | | 2325.0 - 2345.0 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 2 | 213 | | 2340.0 - 2360.0 | | | | 2380.0 - 2400.0 |
| Metro & Category A | | | 3 | 8 | 2 | 1 | - | 2 |
| Category B | | | 1 | 8 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 |
| Category C | | | - | 6 | - | 1 | - | 5 |
| Total Circles won | | - | 4 | 22 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 8 |

Source: DOT, Macquarie Research, June 2010

The biggest positive surprise came from Infotel, which won a pan-India license. Infotel Broadband (the company owned by Mahendra and Anant Nahata, promoters of HFCL) surprised by winning all the 22 circles. Only later did it come to light that RIL was backing Infotel in the auctions.

- The biggest negative surprise came from Vodafone, RCOM and Idea, which did not win in any circles, followed by Bharti Airtel, which won only four circles. Bharti has not won spectrum in key metro circles such as Mumbai or Delhi and only a handful of the category A circles despite its pan-India presence and 30% pan-India revenue market share. Bharti has received BWA license in circles contributing only 23.3% of its pan-India mobile revenue. Bharti's current revenue market share in circles won and revenue contribution from the circle to Bharti pan-India wireless revenue, respectively, are as follows: Maharashtra (20.7%, 4.8%); Kolkata (29.4%, 2.2%); Punjab (39.4%, 4.6%); and Karnataka (52.1%, 11.7%). This implies that Bharti has not won BWA spectrum in 18 circles, which cumulatively contribute 76.7% to its overall wireless revenue.
- Vodafone, IDEA and RCOM exited BWA auctions in midway. Despite the fact that Vodafone, RCOM and Idea have 21%, 15% and 12% pan-India revenue market shares, respectively, they have failed to win any spectrum on BWA bidding. Logic suggests that these players may have exited as a result of increasingly fierce bidding and their stretched balance sheets due to recent 3G bidding.

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Fig 5 Current revenue and subscriber market shares for six key operators by circle and presence on 3G and BWA spectrum

| | | Reve | enue mar | ket sh | nare | | | 3G spectrum ("Y" if yes, "N" if no) | | | | | BWA sp | ectrum (| ("Y" if y | es, "N" if no |) | |
|-------------|--------|----------|----------|--------|-----------|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|------|------|-----------|--------|--------|----------|-----------|---------------|--------------|--------|
| | Bharti | Vodafone | RCOM | Idea | Tata Tele | Aircel | Bharti | Vodafone | RCOM | Idea | Tata Tele | Aircel | Bharti | Vodafone | RCOM | Idea | Tata Tele | Aircel |
| Delhi | 40% | 25% | 10% | 9% | 13% | 2% | Υ | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| Mumbai | 20% | 32% | 13% | 3% | 17% | 1% | Υ | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| Karnataka | 52% | 13% | 8% | 6% | 11% | 1% | Υ | N | N | N | Υ | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N |
| Tamilnadu | 34% | 20% | 7% | 1% | 6% | 23% | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ |
| AP | 41% | 11% | 8% | 16% | 14% | 1% | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ |
| Maharashtra | 21% | 20% | 7% | 32% | 13% | 1% | N | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N |
| Gujarat | 19% | 42% | 6% | 18% | 5% | na | N | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| Kolkata | 29% | 31% | 18% | 1% | 11% | 4% | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N |
| UP (W) | 18% | 25% | 10% | 29% | 7% | 1% | Υ | N | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| UP (E) | 30% | 32% | 9% | 9% | 4% | 1% | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| Punjab | 39% | 16% | 2% | 19% | 7% | na | N | N | Υ | Υ | Υ | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N |
| Rajasthan | 47% | 23% | 6% | 6% | 6% | na | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| Kerala | 16% | 24% | 7% | 34% | 6% | 2% | N | N | N | Υ | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| MP | 31% | 3% | 17% | 33% | 8% | na | N | N | Υ | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| Haryana | 18% | 22% | 7% | 21% | 14% | na | N | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| West Bengal | 29% | 39% | 8% | 1% | 4% | 1% | Υ | Υ | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ |
| Bihar | 51% | 7% | 14% | 7% | 8% | 5% | Υ | N | Y | N | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ |
| Orissa | 41% | 6% | 14% | 2% | 9% | 8% | N | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ |
| North East | 37% | 6% | 4% | 0% | 1% | 34% | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ |
| Assam | 37% | 7% | 19% | 0% | 1% | 30% | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ |
| HP | 45% | 3% | 16% | 4% | 3% | 4% | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N | N |
| J&K | 20% | 2% | 3% | 0% | 2% | 20% | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N | Y | N | N | N | N | N | Y |

Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010

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Fig 6 Global emerging market telecom valuation

| Macquarie - Asia Wireles | s Telecom Valuation Tab | ole (March Year End) | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------|-------|----------|-------|--------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|---------------|
| | | | | | | | EV/EBITDA by | | | | | | |
| | Bloomberg | Rec | Price | | V/EBITDA | | EBITDA CAGR | | PER | | P/B | PEG_ | Div Yield (%) |
| Company Name | Ticker | | lcy | 2010E | 2011E | 2012E | 2009-12E | 2010E | 2011E | 2012E | 2011E | 2009-12E | 2011E |
| China Mobile | 941 HK | Neutral | 76.95 | 4.9 | 4.6 | 4.6 | 1.4 | 11.9 | 11.6 | 11.5 | 2.1 | 5.1 | 3.8 |
| China Unicom | 762 HK | Neutral | 9.62 | 4.6 | 4.3 | 3.9 | -5.6 | 22.2 | 34.7 | 21.0 | 0.9 | -0.4 | 2.0 |
| China Telecom | 728 HK | Underperform | 3.60 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.4 | -0.9 | 18.2 | 17.5 | 14.3 | 1.1 | -0.9 | 3.1 |
| Bharti Airtel* | BHARTI IN | Underperform | 285.25 | 6.8 | 6.3 | 5.4 | 0.8 | 11.6 | 12.4 | 11.0 | 2.1 | 10.1 | 3.2 |
| Reliance Comms* | RCOM IN | Underperform | 174.15 | 6.8 | 5.8 | 5.0 | 0.8 | 9.9 | 8.4 | 6.8 | 0.6 | -0.4 | 1.7 |
| ldea Cellular* | IDEA IN | Underperform | 55.30 | 6.4 | 5.1 | 4.3 | 0.3 | 22.6 | 92.5 | 28.4 | 1.1 | -0.3 | 0.0 |
| ТСОМ | TCOM IN | Underperform | 250.25 | 8.6 | 7.5 | 6.4 | 0.4 | 146.7 | nmf | nmf | 1.6 | 6.1 | 1.8 |
| MTNL | MTNL IN | Underperform | 53.90 | -17.4 | 12.8 | 13.7 | nmf | nmf | nmf | nmf | 0.5 | nmf | 34.4 |
| PT Telkom | TLKM IJ | Outperform | 7,750.00 | 6.6 | 6.3 | 5.7 | 0.7 | 13.5 | 12.4 | 11.7 | 3.1 | 1.9 | 4.0 |
| Indosat | ISAT IJ | Neutral | 4,975.00 | 5.7 | 5.1 | 4.7 | 1.3 | 45.4 | 17.9 | 14.9 | 1.2 | -0.3 | 3.1 |
| XL Axiata | EXCL IJ | Outperform | 3,950.00 | 6.7 | 6.0 | 5.4 | 0.4 | 16.4 | 14.5 | 10.4 | 2.4 | 1.4 | 1.4 |
| Bakrie Telecom | BTEL IJ | Outperform | 170.00 | 5.4 | 4.2 | 3.9 | 0.3 | 24.9 | 17.0 | 13.5 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
| SK Telecom | 017670 KS | Outperform | 168,500.00 | 4.1 | 3.5 | 3.3 | 0.6 | 9.5 | 7.4 | 7.1 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 7.1 |
| KT | 030200 KS | Outperform | 49,000.00 | 4.9 | 3.8 | 3.6 | 1.0 | 17.6 | 9.4 | 8.4 | 1.1 | 0.4 | 5.5 |
| LG Telecom | 032640 KS | Neutral | 8,110.00 | 4.1 | 4.1 | 3.8 | 0.2 | 8.9 | 8.6 | 7.5 | 0.8 | -2.0 | 5.5 |
| SK Broadband | 033630 KS | Neutral | 5,950.00 | 9.8 | 7.1 | 5.8 | 0.9 | nmf | nmf | 91.0 | 1.3 | nmf | 0.0 |
| Chunghwa Telecom | 2412 TT | Neutral | 62.40 | 5.3 | 5.9 | 5.9 | -3.3 | 13.8 | 13.2 | 12.9 | 1.6 | -3.6 | 7.0 |
| Taiwan Mobile | 3045 TT | Outperform | 62.60 | 6.8 | 7.2 | 6.7 | 1.2 | 13.4 | 13.5 | 12.8 | 2.5 | -2.2 | 7.0 |
| Far EasTone | 4904 TT | Neutral | 39.25 | 5.0 | 5.2 | 5.1 | -1.3 | 13.9 | 13.7 | 13.0 | 1.7 | -13.6 | 6.9 |
| SingTel * | ST SP | Neutral | 2.95 | 6.9 | 6.4 | 5.9 | 1.4 | 11.8 | 11.9 | 10.7 | 1.7 | -89.8 | 5.4 |
| Starhub | STH SP | Outperform | 2.20 | 6.8 | 6.9 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 11.8 | 13.1 | 12.1 | 100.3 | -2.4 | 9.1 |
| MobileOne | M1 SP | Outperform | 2.13 | 7.0 | 6.7 | 6.6 | 9.2 | 12.7 | 12.6 | 12.6 | 6.0 | 33.0 | 6.4 |
| Axiata | AXIATA MK | Outperform | 3.77 | 6.9 | 6.1 | 5.6 | 0.4 | 17.1 | 13.5 | 12.3 | 1.4 | 0.6 | 2.7 |
| Digi.Com | DIGI MK | Neutral | 22.58 | 8.5 | 7.7 | 7.0 | 1.4 | 17.5 | 16.1 | 14.0 | 17.7 | -5.6 | 7.1 |
| Telekom Malaysia | T MK | Outperform | 3.31 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 4.6 | 1.4 | 18.2 | 16.5 | 15.9 | 1.7 | 1.3 | 6.0 |
| PLDT | TEL PM | Outperform | 2,380.00 | 5.8 | 5.5 | 5.3 | 2.2 | 11.3 | 10.6 | 10.2 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 6.8 |
| Globe | GLO PM | Neutral | 860.00 | 4.1 | 4.4 | 4.2 | -8.7 | 8.4 | 10.7 | 10.6 | 2.3 | -0.9 | 7.9 |
| AIS | ADVANC TB | Underperform | 82.00 | 5.6 | 5.5 | 5.4 | 19.7 | 14.2 | 13.6 | 12.7 | 4.3 | 3.6 | 7.9 |
| Shin Corp | SHIN TB | Underperform | 24.80 | 10.2 | 7.8 | 7.6 | 0.5 | 12.2 | 9.2 | 9.1 | 2.3 | 0.6 | 9.7 |
| TAC | DTAC TB | Neutral | 36.50 | 4.8 | 4.8 | 4.8 | -19.5 | 13.1 | 11.8 | 11.6 | 1.3 | -0.8 | 6.0 |
| True Corp | TRUE TB | Underperform | 2.92 | 4.7 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 1.3 | nmf | 12.5 | 10.7 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Thaicom | THCOM TB | Neutral | 5.45 | 7.0 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 0.4 | nmf | 42.6 | 14.3 | 0.4 | nmf | 0.0 |
| Smartone | 315 HK | Underperform | 8.10 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 3.1 | 1.3 | 108.4 | 20.6 | 17.3 | 1.6 | -1.9 | 5.6 |
| NTT* | 9432 JP | Outperform | 3,620.00 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 2.6 | -2.8 | 10.1 | 9.6 | 9.0 | 0.6 | 4.6 | 3.3 |
| NTT DoCoMo * | 9437 JP | Neutral | 133,300.00 | 3.7 | 3.8 | 3.8 | -1.1 | 11.2 | 11.0 | 10.9 | 1.1 | 3.7 | 3.9 |
| Softbank* KDDI * | 9984 JP | Underperform | 2,288.00 | 5.1 | 5.1 | 4.9 | 0.9 | 16.7 | 14.8 | 13.6 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 0.2 |
| | 9433 JP | Outperform | 431,000.00 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 1.3 | 7.2 | 8.0 | 7.1 | 0.8 | 18.7 | 3.5 |
| eAccess | 9427 JP | Outperform | 66,600.00 | 5.8 | 4.2 | 3.6 | 0.4 | 23.5 | 16.2 | 13.0 | 4.0 | nmf | 3.6 |
| Okinawa Cellular * | 9436 JP TLS AU | Outperform | 169,900.00 | 3.3 | 3.2 | 2.8 | 0.7 | 7.8 | 8.0 | 7.7 | 0.9 | -1.6 | 4.6 8.8 |
| Telstra | | Neutral | 3.18 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 5.0 | 3.3 | 9.7 | 10.2 | 10.4 | 3.0 | 4.1 | |
| TCNZ | TEL NZ | Neutral | 1.87 | 3.2 | 3.3 | 3.3 | -1.3 | 7.2 | 8.7 | 10.0 | 1.4 | -0.3 | 9.0 |

Note: Prices as of 11 June 2010. Aircel, Tata Teleservices, Telenor Unitech and Vodafone Essar are unlisted.

Source: Bloomberg, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Please find below excerpts from our report published after conclusion of 3G auctions in India, dated 19 May 2010.

India 3G auctions

Event

• 3G auctions ended at a pan-India winning price of Rs167.5bn per slot. There were no pan-India winners, with Bharti winning 13 circles, RCOM 13, Aircel 13, Idea 11, Vodafone Essar nine, Tata Tele (DoCoMo) nine and STel three. We maintain Underperform ratings on the India telecom sector, in view of increased balance sheet stress due to immediate 3G payouts, likely disruption on introduction of MNP and uncertain regulatory environment after the recent TRAI recommendations on licensing and spectrum. Emergence of Aircel and Tata Tele with strong wins in 3G is structurally negative for the sector, as 3G will lead to further splintering of the sector while 3G could/should have been a consolidator of the wireless space in favour of the top 4 incumbents.

Impact

- Bharti will have the highest 3G license payout of Rs122.95bn, followed by Vodafone Essar (Rs116bn), RCOM (Rs86bn), Aircel (Rs65bn), Tata Tele (Rs59bn), Idea (Rs58bn) and STel (Rs3bn). Key metro circles of Delhi and Mumbai were won by Bharti, Vodafone and RCOM, and together they cost Rs65.6bn (US\$1.4bn), accounting for 39% of the pan-India price. The outcome for incumbents was splintered in the important five Category A circles and Kolkata.
- The biggest surprise winner in multiple circles is Aircel (Maxis' 74% subsidiary) in 13 circles, comprising three Category A circles: Karnataka, Tamil Nadu and Andhra Pradesh. This is a good use of proceeds from the recent sale of passive infra assets by Aircel for EV of Rs84bn (US\$1.8bn).
- The biggest negative surprise in terms of not winning in quite a few key circles was Bharti Airtel, followed by Vodafone and IDEA. Bharti has not won spectrum in nine circles of which eight are important, implying that the company does not have 3G in areas that cumulatively contribute 31.6% to its wireless revenues. IDEA has not won spectrum in 13 circles, implying it doesn not have 3G in areas that cumulatively contribute 17.9% to its all-India wireless revenue.
- 3G roaming to come to the rescue of operators that have not won 3G in a circle. However, that does not solve the problem of incumbents that were banking on the extra 5MHz of 3G spectrum to help their strained and overburdened 2G network; that is possibly already behind (voice) demand.
- MTNL liable to pay Rs65.6bn for 3G slots already awarded in Mumbai and Delhi, unless the government waives MTNL's liability in this regard, implying the company wins 3G spectrum for free. If MTNL ends up paying cash for 3G, it translates into Rs104/share, implying significant debt to be raised to fund this.
- Payment for 3G within 10 days though spectrum will be available only after September 2010. We expect launch of 3G services by December 2010.

Outlook

India is unlikely to see meaningful uplift to data revenues in the next two years, as the existing base of high-end subs will move to 3G from existing EDGE/GPRS networks, implying 3G will have a cannibalising effect on existing 2G-led data revenues. Only about 5% of India's SIM holders have 3G-capable handsets.

Fig 7 Final operator-wise 3G spectrum payout in cash

| In Rs m, Unless mentioned | | | | | | 3G spe | ectrum pay | out | | |
|------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------|---------|----------|--------|------------|-----------|--------------|-------|
| | No of Slots | Base Price | Final Bid | Bharti | Vodafone | RCOM | Idea | Tata Tele | Aircel | STel |
| Delhi | 3 | 3,200 | 33,169 | 33,169 | 33,169 | 33,169 | - | - | = | - |
| Mumbai | 3 | 3,200 | 32,471 | 32,471 | 32,471 | 32,471 | - | - | - | - |
| Karnataka | 3 | 3,200 | 15,799 | 15,799 | - | - | - | 15,799 | 15,799 | - |
| Tamil Nadu | 3 | 3,200 | 14,649 | 14,649 | 14,649 | - | - | - | 14,649 | - |
| Andhra Pradesh | 3 | 3,200 | 13,731 | 13,731 | - | - | 13,731 | - | 13,731 | - |
| Maharashtra | 3 | 3,200 | 12,578 | - | 12,578 | - | 12,578 | 12,578 | - | - |
| Gujarat | 3 | 3,200 | 10,761 | - | 10,761 | - | 10,761 | 10,761 | - | - |
| Kolkata | 3 | 1,200 | 5,443 | - | 5,443 | 5,443 | - | - | 5,443 | - |
| Uttar Pradesh (West) | 3 | 1,200 | 5,140 | 5,140 | - | - | 5,140 | 5,140 | - | - |
| Uttar Pradesh (East) | 3 | 1,200 | 3,646 | - | 3,646 | - | 3,646 | - | 3,646 | - |
| Punjab | 4 | 1,200 | 3,220 | - | - | 3,220 | 3,220 | 3,220 | 3,220 | - |
| Rajasthan | 3 | 1,200 | 3,210 | 3,210 | - | 3,210 | - | 3,210 | - | - |
| Kerala | 3 | 1,200 | 3,125 | - | - | - | 3,125 | 3,125 | 3,125 | - |
| Madhya Pradesh | 3 | 1,200 | 2,584 | - | - | 2,584 | 2,584 | 2,584 | - | - |
| Haryana | 3 | 1,200 | 2,226 | - | 2,226 | - | 2,226 | 2,226 | - | - |
| West Bengal | 4 | 1,200 | 1,236 | 1,236 | 1,236 | 1,236 | - | - | 1,236 | - |
| Bihar | 4 | 300 | 2,035 | 2,035 | - | 2,035 | - | - | 2,035 | 2,035 |
| Orissa | 3 | 300 | 970 | - | - | 970 | - | - | 970 | 970 |
| North East | 3 | 300 | 423 | 423 | - | 423 | - | - | 423 | - |
| Assam | 3 | 300 | 415 | 415 | - | 415 | - | - | 415 | - |
| Himachal Pradesh | 3 | 300 | 372 | 372 | - | 372 | 372 | - | - | 372 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 4 | 300 | 303 | 303 | - | 303 | 303 | - | 303 | - |
| Total | 70 | 35,000 | 167,506 | 122,955 | 116,179 | 85,850 | 57,686 | 58,643 | 64,995 | 3,377 |
| Total (US\$m) | | 761 | 3,641 | 2,673 | 2,526 | 1,866 | 1,254 | 1,275 | 1,413 | 73 |
| Metro & Category A | | | | 5 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | - |
| Category B | | | | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | - |
| Category C | | | | 5 | - | 6 | 2 | - | 5 | 3 |
| Total Circles won | | | | 13 | 9 | 13 | 11 | 9 | 13 | 3 |
| Source: Company data, | Macquarie Re | search, June | 2010 | | | | | | | |

Fig 8 Final operator wise 3G spectrum – circles won

| In Rsm unless mentio | ned | | | | | Ci | rcles won | | | |
|----------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|--------|----------|------|-----------|-----------|--------|------|
| | No of Slots | Base Price | Final Bid | Bharti | Vodafone | RCOM | Idea | Tata Tele | Aircel | STel |
| Delhi | 3 | 3,200 | 33,169 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Mumbai | 3 | 3,200 | 32,471 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Karnataka | 3 | 3,200 | 15,799 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Tamil Nadu | 3 | 3,200 | 14,649 | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Andhra Pradesh | 3 | 3,200 | 13,731 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Maharashtra | 3 | 3,200 | 12,578 | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Gujarat | 3 | 3,200 | 10,761 | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Kolkata | 3 | 1,200 | 5,443 | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Uttar Pradesh (West) | 3 | 1,200 | 5,140 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 | | |
| Uttar Pradesh (East) | 3 | 1,200 | 3,646 | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | |
| Punjab | 4 | 1,200 | 3,220 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Rajasthan | 3 | 1,200 | 3,210 | 1 | | 1 | | 1 | | |
| Kerala | 3 | 1,200 | 3,125 | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| Madhya Pradesh | 3 | 1,200 | 2,584 | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| Haryana | 3 | 1,200 | 2,226 | | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | |
| West Bengal and And | 4 | 1,200 | 1,236 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Bihar | 4 | 300 | 2,035 | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| Orissa | 3 | 300 | 970 | | | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| North East | 3 | 300 | 423 | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | |
| Assam | 3 | 300 | 415 | 1 | | 1 | | | 11 | |
| Himachal Pradesh | 3 | 300 | 372 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 4 | 300 | 303 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | |
| Total | 70 | 35,000 | 167,506 | 13 | 9 | 13 | 11 | 9 | 13 | 3 |
| Total (US\$m) | | 761 | 3,641 | | | | | | | |
| Metro & Category A | | | | 5 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | |
| Category B | | | | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 5 | |
| Category C | | | | 5 | - | 6 | 2 | - | 5 | 3 |
| Total Circles won | | | | 13 | 9 | 13 | 11 | 9 | 13 | 3 |

Source: Macquarie Research, May 2010

■ The biggest negative surprises in terms of not winning in quite a few key circles were Bharti Airtel and, to a lesser extent, Vodafone. Bharti has not won spectrum in key circles. The company's current revenue market share in the circle and the revenue contribution from the circle to Bharti pan-India wireless revenue, respectively, are as follows: Maharashtra (22.3%, 5.1%); Gujarat (19.6%, 3.7%); Kolkata (32.4%, 2.4%); Kerala (16.2%, 2.7%); Punjab (39.1%, 5.0%); Haryana (19.0%, 1.3%); UP – East (29.0%, 5.1%); and Madhya Pradesh (32.0%, 3.9%). This implies that Bharti does not have 3G spectrum in nine circles that cumulatively contribute 31.6% to its overall wireless revenue.

■ IDEA has not won spectrum in key circles. Idea's current revenue market share and the revenue contribution from that circle to Idea's wireless revenue, respectively, are as follows: Delhi (9.4%, 7.1%); Karnataka (6.9%, 4.0%); Mumbai (2.8%; 3.0%); and Bihar (4.5%, 2.6%). This implies that IDEA does not have 3G spectrum in 13 circles that cumulatively contribute 17.9% to IDEA's India wireless revenue.

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Fig 9 Current revenue market shares for six key operators by circle and presence on 900 MHz 2G spectrum and presence on 3G spectrum

| In Rsm unless mentio | | Revenue Market Share | | | | | Spectrum in 900MHz band ("Y" if yes, "N" if no) | | | | | | 3G Spectrum ("Y" if yes, "N" if no) | | | | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------|-------|-------|-----------|--------|---|--------|------|--------|----------|--------|-------------------------------------|----------|------|------|-----------|----------|
| | Bharti ' | Vodafone | RCOM | Idea | Tata Tele | Aircel | Bharti Vo | dafone | RCOM | ldea T | ata Tele | Aircel | Bharti | Vodafone | RCOM | Idea | Tata Tele | Aircel |
| Delhi | 38.6% | 22.5% | 12.3% | 9.4% | 12.2% | 0.6% | Y | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | Y | Y | Y | N | N | N |
| Mumbai | 20.0% | 30.3% | 17.3% | 2.8% | 16.1% | 0.3% | N | Y | N | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | N | N | N |
| Karnataka | 54.2% | 14.4% | 8.9% | 6.9% | 6.3% | 0.4% | Y | N | N | N | N | N | Y | N | N | N | Y | Υ |
| Tamil Nadu | 34.9% | 21.6% | 8.0% | 0.0% | 1.9% | 22.6% | N | Υ | N | N | N | Y | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | Υ |
| Andhra Pradesh | 40.5% | 12.9% | 9.7% | 18.0% | 9.2% | 0.2% | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | Y |
| Maharashtra | 22.3% | 18.4% | 8.0% | 30.4% | 10.5% | 0.2% | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N |
| Gujarat | 19.6% | 42.8% | 7.4% | 17.8% | 5.1% | na | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N |
| Kolkata | 32.4% | 32.9% | 17.9% | 0.5% | 9.7% | 1.4% | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | Υ |
| Uttar Pradesh (West) | 16.6% | 25.6% | 10.6% | 27.9% | 6.5% | 0.2% | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | Υ | N |
| Uttar Pradesh (East) | 29.0% | 32.7% | 11.2% | 7.9% | 3.2% | 0.1% | Υ | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ |
| Punjab | 39.1% | 15.7% | 4.3% | 3.2% | 5.2% | na | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | N | N | Υ | Υ | Υ | Υ |
| Rajasthan | 46.7% | 24.3% | 7.3% | 5.2% | 5.3% | na | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N |
| Kerala | 16.2% | 21.0% | 10.3% | 31.0% | 3.2% | 0.5% | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Υ | Υ | Y |
| Madhya Pradesh | 32.0% | 2.4% | 18.9% | 29.9% | 3.8% | na | N | N | Υ | Υ | N | N | N | N | Y | Υ | Υ | N |
| Haryana | 19.0% | 24.9% | 7.2% | 20.6% | 9.4% | na | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N |
| West Bengal and And | 28.8% | 37.6% | 11.7% | 0.3% | 5.8% | 3.4% | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | Y | Υ | Y | N | N | <u>Y</u> |
| Bihar | 51.2% | 3.7% | 20.1% | 4.5% | 6.0% | 4.0% | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | Υ | N | Y | N | N | Y |
| Orissa | 46.7% | 3.7% | 18.0% | 0.6% | 5.0% | 5.7% | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | N | N | N | Y | N | N | Y |
| North East | 38.4% | 3.8% | 6.5% | 0.0% | 0.6% | 28.6% | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | Y |
| Assam | 37.0% | 2.4% | 16.9% | 0.0% | 0.8% | 25.1% | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | N | Y |
| Himachal Pradesh | 46.0% | 2.2% | 21.0% | 4.9% | 3.7% | 2.7% | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Υ | N | Y | Υ | N | N |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 65.7% | 1.5% | 1.2% | 0.2% | 1.2% | 24.4% | Υ | N | N | N | Υ | Y | Υ | N | Υ | Υ | N | Y |

Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, May 2010

Fig 10 India wireless sector - key metrics

| March Year ends; Rs million | 3QFY08 | 4QFY08 | 1QFY09 | 2QFY09 | 3QFY09 | 4QFY09 | 1QFY10 | 2QFY10 | 3QFY10A | 4QFY10A |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| Bharti Gross ARPU (Rs) | 358 | 357 | 350 | 331 | 324 | 305 | 278 | 252 | 230 | 220 |
| YoY growth (%) | -16.2 | -12.1 | -10.4 | -9.5 | -9.3 | -14.6 | -20.4 | -23.9 | -29.0 | -27.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -2.2 | -0.2 | -2.1 | -5.3 | -2.0 | -6.0 | -8.8 | -9.4 | -8.6 | -4.5 |
| RCOM Gross ARPU (Rs) | 339 | 317 | 282 | 271 | 251 | 224 | 210 | 161 | 149 | 139 |
| YoY growth (%) | 3.4 | -15.9 | -24.8 | -24.9 | -26.0 | -29.3 | -25.5 | -40.6 | -40.6 | -37.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -6.1 | -6.5 | -11.0 | -3.9 | -7.4 | -10.8 | -6.3 | -23.3 | -7.5 | -6.7 |
| Idea Gross ARPU (Rs) | 292 | 297 | 294 | 266 | 271 | 261 | 236 | 215 | 206 | 190 |
| YoY growth (%) | | | -11.2 | -12.2 | -7.2 | -12.0 | -19.7 | -19.1 | -23.8 | -27.4 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -3.8 | 1.8 | -1.0 | -9.4 | 1.6 | -3.5 | -9.7 | -8.7 | -4.3 | -8.0 |
| VOD Gross ARPU (Rs) | 349 | 350 | 332 | 305 | 297 | 274 | 247 | 222 | 209 | 197 |
| YoY growth (%) | -15.7 | -13.6 na | | -15.5 | -14.9 | -21.7 | -25.7 | -27.2 | -29.6 | -28.1 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -3.3 | 0.3 | -5.1 | -8.1 | -2.6 | -7.7 | -10.0 | -10.0 | -5.9 | -5.7 |
| Bharti MoUs per subscriber | 474 | 507 | 534 | 526 | 505 | 485 | 478 | 450 | 446 | 468 |
| YoY growth (%) | 1.4 | 6.8 | 11.8 | 12.2 | 6.7 | -4.3 | -10.6 | -14.5 | -11.8 | -3.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 1.1 | 7.0 | 5.4 | -1.6 | -3.9 | -4.0 | -1.5 | -5.9 | -0.9 | 5.0 |
| RCOM MoUs per subscriber | 449 | 430 | 425 | 423 | 410 | 372 | 365 | 340 | 330 | 318 |
| YoY growth (%) | -1.1 | -20.5 | -16.7 | -13.7 | -8.7 | -13.5 | -14.1 | -19.6 | -19.5 | -14.5 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -8.4 | -4.2 | -1.2 | -0.4 | -3.1 | -9.3 | -1.9 | -6.8 | -2.9 | -3.6 |
| Idea MoUs per subscriber | 377 | 411 | 431 | 421 | 416 | 402 | 399 | 375 | 389 | 398 |
| YoY growth (%) | 2.2 | 6.2 | 13.1 | 16.9 | 10.3 | -2.2 | -7.4 | -10.9 | -6.5 | -1.0 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 4.7 | 9.0 | 4.9 | -2.3 | -1.2 | -3.4 | -0.7 | -6.0 | 3.7 | 2.3 |
| VOD MoUs per subscriber | 384 | 391 | 374 | 364 | 355 | 336 | 330 | 319 | 318 | 325 |
| YoY growth (%) | -10.5 | -9.6 na | | -2.2 | -7.4 | -14.1 | -11.9 | -12.6 | -10.5 | -3.1 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 3.0 | 1.8 | -4.2 | -2.6 | -2.5 | -5.6 | -1.8 | -3.3 | -0.1 | 2.1 |
| Bharti ARPM (Rs) | 0.76 | 0.70 | 0.65 | 0.63 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.58 | 0.56 | 0.52 | 0.47 |
| YoY growth (%) | -17.3 | -17.7 | -19.9 | -19.4 | -14.9 | -10.7 | -11.0 | -10.9 | -19.5 | -25.2 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -3.3 | -6.7 | -7.1 | -3.8 | 2.1 | -2.1 | -7.4 | -3.7 | -7.8 | -9.1 |
| RCOM ARPM (Rs) | 0.76 | 0.74 | 0.66 | 0.64 | 0.61 | 0.60 | 0.58 | 0.47 | 0.45 | 0.44 |
| YoY growth (%) | 4.5 | 5.8 | -9.7 | -13.0 | -18.9 | -18.3 | -13.4 | -26.1 | -26.2 | -27.4 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 2.5 | -2.4 | -9.9 | -3.5 | -4.4 | -1.6 | -4.5 | -17.7 | -4.6 | -3.2 |
| Idea ARPM (Rs) | 0.74 | 0.72 | 0.68 | 0.62 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.58 | 0.56 | 0.51 | 0.48 |
| YoY growth (%) | -15.2 | -11.8 | -18.9 | -22.5 | -13.5 | -12.8 | -14.9 | -9.7 | -20.3 | -24.4 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -7.5 | -2.4 | -5.6 | -9.0 | 3.2 | -1.6 | -7.9 | -3.4 | -8.9 | -6.6 |
| VOD ARPM (Rs) | 0.91 | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.84 | 0.82 | 0.75 | 0.70 | 0.66 | 0.61 |
| YoY growth (%) | -5.8 | -4.4 na | | -13.6 | -8.1 | -8.9 | -15.7 | -16.8 | -21.4 | -25.8 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -6.1 | -1.5 | -0.9 | -5.7 | -0.2 | -2.3 | -8.4 | -6.9 | -5.7 | -7.7 |

Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Fig 11 Key quarterly operating and financial metrics – wireless business: Bharti and RCOM

| Bharti Airtel - Actuals for 4QFY10 | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----------|---------|--------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| March Year ends; Rs million | 3QFY08 | 4QFY08 | 1QFY09 | 2QFY09 | 3QFY09 | 4QFY09 | 1QFY10 | 2QFY10 | 3QFY10A | 4QFY10A |
| Windows December (Decemb | 50.405 | 04.004 | 00.450 | 70.040 | 70.000 | 00.040 | 00.005 | 00.004 | 70.040 | 04.075 |
| Wireless Revenues (Rs m) | 56,105 | 64,201 | 69,150 | 72,843 | 79,392 | 82,216 | 82,285 | 80,994 | 79,618 | 81,975 |
| YoY growth (%) | 49.3 | 51.3 | 47.2 | 44.0 | 41.5 | 28.1 | 19.0 | 11.2 | 0.3 | -0.3 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 10.9 | 14.4 | 7.7 | 5.3 | 9.0 | 3.6 | 0.1 | -1.6 | -1.7 | 3.0 |
| Subscribers (m) | 55.16 | 61.98 | 69.38 | 77.48 | 85.65 | 93.92 | 102.37 | 110.51 | 118.86 | 127.62 |
| YoY growth (%) | 72.5 | 66.9 | 62.5 | 58.5 | 55.3 | 51.5 | 47.5 | 42.6 | 38.8 | 35.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 12.9 | 12.4 | 11.9 | 11.7 | 10.5 | 9.7 | 9.0 | 8.0 | 7.6 | 7.4 |
| Gross ARPU (Rs) | 358 | 357 | 350 | 331 | 324 | 305 | 278 | 252 | 230 | 220 |
| YoY growth (%) | -16.2 | -12.1 | -10.4 | - 9.5 | -9.3 | -14.6 | -20.4 | -23.9 | -29.0 | -27.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -2.2 | -0.2 | -2.1 | -5.3 | -2.0 | -6.0 | -8.8 | -9.4 | -8.6 | -4.5 |
| Avg. monthly MoUs per subscriber | 474 | 507 | 534 | 526 | 505 | 485 | 478 | 450 | 446 | 468 |
| YoY growth (%) | 1.4 | 6.8 | 11.8 | 12.2 | 6.7 | -4.3 | -10.6 | -14.5 | -11.8 | -3.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 1.1 | 7.0 | 5.4 | -1.6 | -3.9 | -4.0 | -1.5 | -5.9 | -0.9 | 5.0 |
| ARPM (Rs) | 0.76 | 0.70 | 0.65 | 0.63 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.58 | 0.56 | 0.52 | 0.47 |
| YoY growth (%) | -17.3 | -17.7 | -19.9 | -19.4 | -14.9 | -10.7 | -11.0 | -10.9 | -19.5 | -25.2 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -3.3 | -6.7 | -7.1 | -3.8 | 2.1 | -2.1 | -7.4 | -3.7 | -7.8 | -9.1 |
| Total minutes carried (m) | 73,840 | 89,058 | 105,217 | 115,834 | 123,626 | 130,669 | 140,713 | 143,680 | 153,241 | 172,797 |
| YoY growth (%) | 78.8 | 80.9 | 84.2 | 79.9 | 67.4 | 46.7 | 33.7 | 24.0 | 24.0 | 32.2 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 14.7 | 20.6 | 18.1 | 10.1 | 6.7 | 5.7 | 7.7 | 2.1 | 6.7 | 12.8 |
| Avg. EBITDA per minute (Rs) | 0.31 | 0.26 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.20 | 0.20 | 0.19 | 0.18 | 0.16 | 0.14 |
| YoY growth (%) | -9.3 | -24.2 | -39.6 | -41.0 | -34.8 | -22.6 | -4.1 | -5.2 | -21.9 | -30.0 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -3.8 | -17.4 | -21.2 | -5.7 | 6.3 | -2.0 | -2.4 | -6.7 | -12.5 | -12.2 |
| Wireless EBITDA (Rs m) | 22,887 | 22,779 | 21,218 | 22,009 | 24,963 | 25,860 | 27,183 | 25,860 | 24,178 | 23,969 |
| YoY growth (%) | 62.0 | 37.2 | 11.2 | 6.2 | 9.1 | 13.5 | 28.1 | 17.5 | -3.1 | -7.3 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 10.4 | -0.5 | -6.9 | 3.7 | 13.4 | 3.6 | 5.1 | -4.9 | -6.5 | -0.9 |
| Wireless EBITDA margin (%) | 40.8 | 35.5 | 30.7 | 30.2 | 31.4 | 31.5 | 33.0 | 31.9 | 30.4 | 29.2 |
| YoY expansion (basis points) | 319.5 | -365.1 | -994.7 | -1,076.7 | -935.0 | -402.7 | 235.1 | 171.4 | -107.5 | -221.4 |
| QoQ expansion (basis points) | -18.8 | -531.2 | -479.7 | -47.0 | 122.8 | 1.1 | 158.1 | -110.7 | -156.1 | -112.8 |
| Blended Churn | 3.8% | 4.2% | 3.7% | 3.2% | 2.9% | 3.2% | 3.4% | 4.4% | 6.3% | 5.7% |
| VAS as % of total revenue | 9.3% | 9.4% | 9.7% | 10.0% | 9.5% | 9.3% | 9.3% | 9.8% | 11.0% | 11.8% |
| YoY growth (%) | -10.6 | -6.9 | -2.0 | 2.0 | 2.2 | -1.1 | -4.1 | -2.0 | 15.8 | 26.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -5.1 | 1.1 | 3.2 | 3.1 | -5.0 | -2.1 | 0.0 | 5.4 | 12.2 | 7.3 |
| Total Cell Sites | 60,299 | 69,141 | 75,876 | 82,554 | 88,319 | 93,368 | 96,149 | 99,501 | 102,190 | 104,826 |
| YoY growth (%) | 75.8 | 76.3 | 65.7 | 56.3 | 46.5 | 35.0 | 26.7 | 20.5 | 15.7 | 12.3 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 14.1 | 14.7 | 9.7 | 8.8 | 7.0 | 5.7 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 2.7 | 2.6 |
| Wireless Capex (Rsm) | 27,538 | 17,995 | 32,227 | 23,396 | 29,012 | 16,039 | 13,037 | 15,028 | 12,513 | 8,565 |
| YoY growth (%) | 76.6 | 68.1 | -1.8 | -18.4 | 5.4 | -10.9 | -59.5 | -35.8 | -56.9 | -46.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -3.9 | -34.7 | 79.1 | -27.4 | 24.0 | -44.7 | -18.7 | 15.3 | -16.7 | -31.6 |
| Total Population Centres covered | 325,525 | 347,646 | 369,335 | 389,571 | 406,939 | 419,966 | 428,216 | 434,795 | 438,929 | 444,024 |
| YoY growth (%) | 79.7 | 64.0 | 48.7 | 32.1 | 25.0 | 20.8 | 15.9 | 11.6 | 7.9 | na |
| QoQ growth (%) | 10.4 | 6.8 | 6.2 | 5.5 | 4.5 | 3.2 | 2.0 | 1.5 | 1.0 | na |
| Total employees | 24,703 | 25,543 | 26,144 | 25,616 | 25,553 | 24,538 | 23.789 | 18,598 | 18,201 | 18.354 |
| YoY growth (%) | 35.6 | 25.7 | 13.9 | 10.1 | 3.4 | -3.9 | -9.0 | -27.4 | -28.8 | na |
| QoQ growth (%) | 6.2 | 3.4 | 2.4 | -2.0 | -0.2 | -4.0 | -3.1 | -21.8 | -2.1 | na |
| India Total Wireless Subscribers | 233.63 | 261.08 | 286.87 | 315.31 | 346.89 | 391.76 | 437.51 | 483.27 | 515.5 | 574.77 |
| YoY growth (%) | 59.5 | 58.1 | 55.1 | 50.8 | 48.5 | 50.1 | 52.5 | 53.3 | 48.6 | 46.7 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 11.7 | 11.8 | 9.9 | 9.9 | 10.0 | 12.9 | 11.7 | 10.5 | 6.7 | 11.5 |
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Fig 11 Key quarterly operating and financial metrics – wireless business: Bharti and RCOM

| March Year ends; Rs million | 4QFY08 | 1QFY09 | 2QFY09 | 3QFY09 | 4QFY09 | 1QFY10 | 2QFY10 | 3QFY10A | 4QFY10. |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Wireless Revenues (Rs m) | 41,608 | 41,187 | 43,356 | 44,119 | 45,015 | 47,931 | 40,100 | 40,225 | 40,900 |
| YoY growth (%) | 40.1 | 22.1 | 16.5 | 11.5 | 8.2 | 16.4 | -7.5 | -8.8 | -9.1 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 5.2 | -1.0 | 5.3 | 1.8 | 2.0 | 6.5 | -16.3 | 0.3 | 1.7 |
| Subscribers (m) | 45.79 | 50.79 | 56.05 | 61.35 | 72.67 | 79.62 | 86.12 | 93.80 | 102.42 |
| YoY growth (%) | 63.5 | 59.4 | 54.3 | 49.8 | 58.7 | 56.8 | 53.7 | 52.9 | 40.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 11.8 | 10.9 | 10.4 | 9.5 | 18.5 | 9.6 | 8.2 | 8.9 | 9.2 |
| Gross ARPU (Rs) | 317 | 282 | 271 | 251 | 224 | 210 | 161 | 149 | 139 |
| YoY growth (%) | -15.9 | -24.8 | -24.9 | -26.0 | -29.3 | -25.5 | -40.6 | -40.6 | -37.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -6.5 | -11.0 | -3.9 | -7.4 | -10.8 | -6.3 | -23.3 | -7.5 | -6.7 |
| Avg. monthly MoUs per subscriber | 430 | 425 | 423 | 410 | 372 | 365 | 340 | 330 | 318 |
| YoY growth (%) | -20.5 | -16.7 | -13.7 | -8.7 | -13.5 | -14.1 | -19.6 | -19.5 | -14.5 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -4.2 | -1.2 | -0.4 | -3.1 | -9.3 | -1.9 | -6.8 | -2.9 | -3.6 |
| ARPM (Rs) | 0.74 | 0.66 | 0.64 | 0.61 | 0.60 | 0.58 | 0.47 | 0.45 | 0.44 |
| YoY growth (%) | 5.8 | -9.7 | -13.0 | -18.9 | -18.3 | -13.4 | -26.1 | -26.2 | -27.4 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -2.4 | -9.9 | -3.5 | -4.4 | -1.6 | -4.5 | -17.7 | -4.6 | -3.2 |
| Total minutes carried (m) | 55,959 | 62,000 | 67,800 | 72,100 | 74,800 | 83,300 | 84,500 | 89,057 | 93,596 |
| YoY growth (%) | 18.9 | 35.4 | 35.3 | 38.5 | 33.7 | 34.4 | 24.6 | 23.5 | 25.1 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 7.5 | 10.8 | 9.4 | 6.3 | 3.7 | 11.4 | 1.4 | 5.4 | 5.1 |
| Avg. EBITDA per minute (Rs) | 0.30 | 0.27 | 0.25 | 0.23 | 0.22 | 0.22 | 0.15 | 0.14 | 0.13 |
| YoY growth (%) | 9.8 | -8.3 | -4.5 | -23.5 | -25.8 | -17.9 | -39.7 | -38.9 | -42.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -1.5 | -9.6 | -7.3 | -7.3 | -4.5 | 0.0 | -31.8 | -6.1 | -10.3 |
| Wireless EBITDA (Rs m) | 16,763 | 16,623 | 16,859 | 16,616 | 16,629 | 18,489 | 13,132 | 12,545 | 11,815 |
| YoY growth (%) | 45.6 | 24.1 | 13.4 | 5.0 | -0.8 | 11.2 | -22.1 | -24.5 | -28.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 6.0 | -0.8 | 1.4 | -1.4 | 0.1 | 11.2 | -29.0 | -4.5 | -5.8 |
| Wireless EBITDA margin (%) | 40.3 | 40.4 | 38.9 | 37.7 | 36.9 | 38.6 | 32.7 | 31.2 | 28.9 |
| YoY expansion (basis points) | 152.0 | 65.6 | -106.4 | -231.9 | -334.7 | -178.6 | -613.7 | -647.5 | -805.3 |
| QoQ expansion (basis points) | 30.8 | 7.2 | -147.5 | -122.3 | -72.1 | 163.3 | -582.6 | -156.1 | -230.0 |
| Blended Churn | 1.4% | 1.4% | 1.3% | 1.0% | 0.8% | 1.3% | 1.3% | 2.0% | 2.8% |
| VAS as % of total revenue | 6.9% | 7.6% | 7.3% | 7.4% | na | na | na | na | na |
| YoY growth (%) | 9.5 | 33.3 | 17.7 | 15.6 | na | na | na | na | na |
| QoQ growth (%) | 7.8 | 10.1 | -3.9 | 1.4 | na | na | na | na | na |
| Total Cell Sites | na | na |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na |
| QoQ growth (%) | na | na |
| Wireless Capex (Rs m) | 46,442 | 56,926 | 33,260 | 32,508 | 17,084 | 9,402 | 8,964 | 11,037 | 2,016 |
| YoY growth (%) | 371.0 | 280.2 | -33.1 | -46.4 | -63.2 | -83.5 | -73.0 | -66.0 | -88.2 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -23.4 | 22.6 | -41.6 | -2.3 | -47.4 | -45.0 | -4.7 | 23.1 | -81.7 |

Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Fig 12 Key quarterly operating and financial metrics – wireless business: Idea

| Idea Cellular - Actuals for 4QFY10 | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|---------|
| March Year ends; Rs million | 4QFY08 | 1QFY09 | 2QFY09 | 3QFY09 | 4QFY09 | 1QFY10A | 2QFY10 | 3QFY10 | 4QFY10A |
| Wireless Revenues (Rs m) | 19,724 | 21,735 | 22,992 | 26,209 | 28,627 | 28,883 | 28,909 | 30,610 | 33,011 |
| YoY growth (%) | 51.1 | 47.1 | 47.2 | 53.4 | 45.1 | 32.9 | 25.7 | 16.8 | 15.3 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 15.5 | 10.2 | 5.8 | 14.0 | 9.2 | 0.9 | 0.1 | 5.9 | 7.8 |
| Subscribers (m) | 22.13 | 27.19 | 30.38 | 34.21 | 38.89 | 42.77 | 46.76 | 52.30 | 63.82 |
| YoY growth (%) | 45.8 | 57.0 | 56.2 | 54.5 | 43.0 | 40.8 | 36.7 | 34.5 | 49.2 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 13.8 | 22.9 | 11.7 | 12.6 | 13.7 | 10.0 | 9.3 | 11.9 | 22.0 |
| Gross ARPU (Rs) | 297 | 294 | 266 | 271 | 261 | 236 | 215 | 206 | 190 |
| YoY growth (%) | #DIV/0! | -11.2 | -12.2 | -7.2 | -12.0 | -19.7 | -19.1 | -23.8 | -27.4 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 1.8 | -1.0 | -9.4 | 1.6 | -3.5 | -9.7 | -8.7 | -4.3 | -8.0 |
| Avg. monthly MoUs per subscriber | 411 | 431 | 421 | 416 | 402 | 399 | 375 | 389 | 398 |
| YoY growth (%) | 6.2 | 13.1 | 16.9 | 10.3 | -2.2 | -7.4 | -10.9 | -6.5 | -1.0 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 9.0 | 4.9 | -2.3 | -1.2 | -3.4 | -0.7 | -6.0 | 3.7 | 2.3 |
| ARPM (Rs) | 0.72 | 0.68 | 0.62 | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.58 | 0.56 | 0.51 | 0.48 |
| YoY growth (%) | -11.8 | -18.9 | -22.5 | -13.5 | -12.8 | -14.9 | -9.7 | -20.3 | -24.4 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -2.4 | -5.6 | -9.0 | 3.2 | -1.6 | -7.9 | -3.4 | -8.9 | -6.6 |
| Total minutes carried (m) | 27,824 | 33,087 | 36,315 | 40,254 | 44,224 | 48,729 | 50,339 | 57,841 | 68,275 |
| YoY growth (%) | 79.9 | 93.5 | 92.8 | 79.2 | 58.9 | 47.3 | 38.6 | 43.7 | 54.4 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 23.9 | 18.9 | 9.8 | 10.8 | 9.9 | 10.2 | 3.3 | 14.9 | 18.0 |
| Avg. EBITDA per minute (Rs) | 0.26 | 0.26 | 0.20 | 0.17 | 0.17 | 0.16 | 0.15 | 0.12 | 0.12 |
| YoY growth (%) | #DIV/0! | -21.5 | -34.7 | -39.9 | -35.9 | -39.0 | -26.2 | -26.2 | -28.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -6.5 | -1.6 | -23.9 | -14.1 | -0.4 | -6.3 | -7.9 | -14.1 | -3.6 |
| Wireless EBITDA (Rs m) | 6,731 | 8,242 | 7,151 | 6,806 | 7,416 | 7,701 | 7,307 | 7,203 | 8,328 |
| YoY growth (%) | #DIV/0! | <i>53.4</i> | 35.2 | 16.5 | 10.2 | -6.6 | 2.2 | 5.8 | 12.3 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 15.3 | 22.4 | -13.2 | -4.8 | 9.0 | 3.8 | -5.1 | -1.4 | 15.6 |
| Wireless EBITDA margin (%) | 34.1 | 37.9 | 31.1 | 26.0 | 25.9 | 26.7 | 25.3 | 23.5 | 25.2 |
| YoY expansion (basis points) | 3,412.8 | 154.7 | -275.7 | -822.0 | -822.3 | -1,125.8 | -582.7 | -243.7 | -67.7 |
| QoQ expansion (basis points) | -6.1 | 379.3 | -681.8 | -513.4 | -6.4 | 75.8 | -138.7 | -174.4 | 169.6 |
| Blended Churn | 4.6% | 4.0% | 3.9% | 4.3% | 5.2% | 6.7% | 7.2% | 9.1% | 7.7% |
| Total Cell Sites | 24,793 | 27,594 | 33,377 | 39,289 | 44,230 | 48,067 | 50,915 | 55,804 | 66,187 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | 109.7 | 95.1 | 85.4 | 78.4 | 74.2 | 52.5 | 42.0 | 49.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 17.0 | 11.3 | 21.0 | 17.7 | 12.6 | 8.7 | 5.9 | 9.6 | 18.6 |

Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Fig 13 Key quarterly operating and financial metrics – wireless business: MTNL and Tata Teleservices Maha.

| MTNL- Actuals for 4QFY10 | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| March Year ends; Rs million | 3QFY08 | 4QFY08 | 1QFY09 | 2QFY09 | 3QFY09 | 4QFY09 | 1QFY10 | 2QFY10 | 3QFY10 | 4QFY10 |
| Windows Barrens (Barre) | 0.000 | 0.400 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 4.070 | 4705.57 | 4050.40 | 4040 |
| Wireless Revenues (Rs m) | 2,329 | 2,409 | 2,298 | 2,332 | 2,269 | 2,089 | 1,870 | 1795.57 | 1656.42 | 1840 |
| YoY growth (%) | 6.3 | 22.0 | 2.5 | -7.6 | -2.6 | -13.3 | -18.6 | -23.0 | -27.0 | -11.9 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -7.7 | 3.4 | -4.6 | 1.5 | -2.7 | -7.9 | -10.5 | -4.0 | -7.7 | 11.1 |
| Subscribers (m) | 3.21 | 3.53 | 3.72 | 3.96 | 4.19 | 4.48 | 4.58 | 4.68 | 4.60 | 5.09 |
| YoY growth (%) | 26.5 | 20.1 | 32.2 | 32.2 | 30.5 | 26.9 | 23.1 | 18.2 | 9.8 | 13.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 7.2 | 10.0 | 5.3 | 6.4 | 5.8 | 7.0 | 2.1 | 2.2 | -1.7 | 10.7 |
| Blended ARPU GSM (Rs) | 242 | 237 | 213 | 207 | 188 | 162 | 138 | 133 | 116 | 127 |
| YoY growth (%) | -12.6 | 3.7 | -15.7 | -27.2 | -22.2 | -31.5 | -35.0 | -35.5 | -38.6 | -21.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | -14.8 | -2.3 | -10.0 | -2.8 | -9.0 | -14.0 | -14.6 | -3.6 | -13.3 | 9.9 |
| Tata Tele Maha Actuals for 3Q FY10 | 3QFY08 | 4QFY08 | 1QFY09 | 2QFY09 | 3QFY09 | 4QFY09 | 1QFY10A | 2QFY10A | 3QFY10A | 4QFY10A |
| Subscribers (m) | 4.33 | 4.68 | 5.19 | 5.70 | 6.15 | 6.96 | 7.44 | 9.04 | 10.90 | 12.34 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na | 64% | 50% | 42% | 49% | 43% | 59% | 77% | 77% |
| QoQ growth (%) | 14% | 8% | 11% | 10% | 8% | 13% | 7% | 22% | 21% | 13% |
| Gross ARPU (Rs) | 254 | 254 | 232 | 210 | 196 | 178 | 154 | 148 | 143 | 125 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na | -23% | -21% | -23% | -30% | -34% | -30% | -27% | -30% |
| QoQ growth (%) | -4% | 0% | -9% | -9% | -7% | -9% | -13% | -4% | -3% | -13% |
| Avg. monthly MoUs per subscriber | 313 | 302 | 369 | 336 | 323 | 311 | 292 | 271 | 266 | 250 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na | -7% | -6% | 3% | 3% | -21% | -19% | -18% | -20% |
| QoQ growth (%) | -12% | -4% | 22% | -9% | -4% | -4% | -6% | -7% | -2% | -6% |
| ARPM (Rs) | 0.81 | 0.84 | 0.63 | 0.62 | 0.61 | 0.57 | 0.53 | 0.55 | 0.54 | 0.5 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na | -18% | -16% | -25% | -32% | -16% | -11% | -11% | -12% |
| QoQ growth (%) | 9% | 4% | -25% | -2% | -2% | -7% | -7% | 4% | -2% | -7% |
| Total minutes carried (m) | na | 4083 | 5463 | 5487 | 5741 | 6113 | 6301 | 6705 | 7957 | 8713 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na | na | na | na | 50% | 15% | 22% | 39% | 43% |
| QoQ growth (%) | na | na | 34% | 0% | 5% | 6% | 3% | 6% | 19% | 10% |
| Blended Churn | 1.80% | 2.20% | 0.80% | 0.80% | 1.80% | 1.10% | 1.20% | 2.80% | 0.50% | 2.20% |
| VAS as % of total revenue | 10.40% | 11.80% | 12.30% | 13.40% | 13.40% | 13.90% | 15.40% | 14.30% | 13.90% | 14.80% |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na | 48.2 | 44.1 | 28.8 | 17.8 | 25.2 | 6.7 | 3.7 | 6.5 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 11.8 | 13.5 | 4.2 | 8.9 | - | 3.7 | 10.8 | (7.1) | (2.8) | 6.5 |
| Total Population Centres covered | na | 7,966 | 8,026 | 8,115 | 9,378 | 10,664 | 10,904 | 11,055 | 11,303 | 11,421 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | na | na | na | na | 34% | 36% | 36% | 21% | 7% |
| QoQ growth (%) | na | na | 1% | 1% | 16% | 14% | 2% | 1% | 2% | 1% |

Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Fig 14 Key quarterly operating and financial metrics - Vodafone India

| | 1QFY09 | 2QFY09 | 3QFY09 | 4QFY09 | 1QFY10 | 2QFY10 | 3QFY10A | 4QFY10A |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Subscribers (m) | 49 | 55 | 61 | 69 | 76 | 83 | 91 | 101 |
| YoY growth (%) | 60.0 | 62.2 | 70.9 | 55.8 | <i>55.4</i> | 51.7 | 50.0 | 46.7 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 11.5 | 11.0 | 11.5 | 12.9 | 11.2 | 8.4 | 10.3 | 10.3 |
| Gross ARPU (Rs) | 332 | 305 | 297 | 274 | 247 | 222 | 209 | 197 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | (15.5) | (14.9) | (21.7) | (25.7) | (27.2) | (29.6) | (28.1) |
| QoQ growth (%) | (5.1) | (8.1) | (2.6) | (7.7) | (10.0) | (10.0) | (5.9) | (5.7) |
| Avg. monthly MoUs per subscriber | 374 | 364 | 355 | 336 | 330 | 319 | 318 | 325 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | (2.2) | (7.4) | (14.1) | (11.9) | (12.6) | (10.5) | (3.1) |
| QoQ growth (%) | (4.2) | (2.6) | (2.5) | (5.6) | (1.8) | (3.3) | (0.1) | 2.1 |
| ARPM (Rs) | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.84 | 0.82 | 0.75 | 0.70 | 0.66 | 0.61 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | (13.6) | (8.1) | (8.9) | (15.7) | (16.8) | (21.4) | (25.8) |
| QoQ growth (%) | (0.9) | (5.7) | (0.2) | (2.3) | (8.4) | (6.9) | (5.7) | (7.7) |
| Total minutes carried (m) | 52,349 | 56,745 | 61,606 | 65,276 | 71,775 | 76,135 | 83,172 | 93,735 |
| YoY growth (%) | na | 57.6 | 54.4 | 39.7 | 37.1 | 34.2 | 35.0 | 43.6 |
| QoQ growth (%) | 12.0 | 8.4 | 8.6 | 6.0 | 10.0 | 6.1 | 9.2 | 12.7 |

Source: Company data, Macquarie Research, June 2010

Important disclosures:

Recommendation definitions

Macquarie - Australia/New Zealand

Outperform – return >5% in excess of benchmark return Neutral – return within 5% of benchmark return Underperform - return >5% below benchmark return

Macquarie - Asia/Europe

Outperform - expected return >+10% Neutral - expected return from -10% to +10% Underperform - expected return <-10%

Macquarie First South - South Africa

Outperform - expected return >+10% Neutral – expected return from -10% to +10% Underperform - expected return <-10%

Macquarie - Canada

Outperform - return >5% in excess of benchmark return Neutral - return within 5% of benchmark return Underperform - return >5% below benchmark return

Macquarie - USA

Outperform (Buy) - return >5% in excess of Russell 3000 index return

Neutral (Hold) - return within 5% of Russell 3000 index

Underperform (Sell)- return >5% below Russell 3000 index return

Recommendations - 12 months

Note: Quant recommendations may differ from Fundamental Analyst recommendations

Volatility index definition*

This is calculated from the volatility of historical price movements.

Very high-highest risk - Stock should be expected to move up or down 60-100% in a year investors should be aware this stock is highly speculative.

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ROA = adjusted ebit / average total assets
ROA Banks/Insurance = adjusted net profit /average

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