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1. Telecom Statistics at a glance (as of Ashwin, 2066)

1.1 Available Voice Telephony Services

Services	Nepal Doorsanchar Company Limited (NDCL)	United Telecom Limited (UTL)	Spice Nepal Pvt. Ltd. (SNPL)	STM Telecom Sanchar Pvt. Ltd. (STM)	Others	Total
Fixed						**815,909**
Wireline(PSTN)	566,560	-	-	-	-	566,560
Wireless(WLL)	177,021	68,163	-	4,165	-	249,349
Mobile						**5,965,659**
GSM	3,369,928	-	2,006,392	-	-	5,376,320
CDMA(Sky Phone)	589,339	-	-	-	-	589,339
Others						**149,927**
Limited Mobility	-	147,727	-	-	-	147,727
GMPCS	-	-	-	-	1,517	1,517
WCDMA (3G)	683	-	-	-	-	683
Total	**4,703,531**	**215,890**	**2,006,392**	**4,165**	**1,517**	**6,931,495**

Tele-Density	
Services	**Penetration Rate %**
Fixed	2.96
Mobile	21.69
Others (Limited Mobility, GMPCS etc.)	0.55
Total	**25.20**

Note: Projected population for 2009 is 2,75,04,280 (Source : cbs.gov.np)

1.2 Data/Internet Services

Services	Subscribers				Total
	NDCL	UTL	SNPL	ISPs	
Dailup	10,557	-	-	18,900	29,457
Wireless Modem, Optical Fibre Ethernet	-	-	-	12,600	12,600
Cable Modem, Cable etc.	-	-	-	31,500	31,500
ADSL	24,831	-	-	-	24,831
GPRS	68,109	-	355,720	-	423,829
CDMA 1X	44,901	24,823	-	-	69,724
Total	**148,398**	**24,823**	**355,720**	**63,000**	**591,941**

1.3 Public Call Centres (PCO)

Services	Subscribers
Rural PCO	1,888
No of Unserved Village Development Committee (VDC) Telephone Service (Details in annex one)	360
No. of Served Village Development Committee (VDC)	3,555

1.4 Licence issued by NTA (Cumulative as of Ashwin, 2066)

S.No.	Name of the license	Number of the licensee
1	Basic Telecommunications	3
2	GSM Mobile	2
3	Network Service Provider	9
4	VSAT User	118
5	Internet (With e-mail)	35
6	Video Conferencing	1
7	GMPCS	3
8	Rural Telecom	2
9	Limited Mobility	24
10	International Trunk Telephone	2
11	Rural VSAT User	5
12	Rural Internet Service Provider	1
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2. Quality of Service

CEDA, TU has submitted the RAP Guidelines for the measurement of perceived Quality of Service of telecommunication service CEDA was given the consultancy service for this purpose.

3. Telecom Sector News

3.1 NTA's Internal activities

- The type approval certificate for 7 short range devices and 3 GSM mobile sets has been issue.

Month of Ashwin, 2066 (15 September - 14 October 2009)		
Short Range Devices (SRD)		
S. No.	**Brand**	**Total No. of TAC issued**
1	Intel	3
2	Atheros	1
3	Broadcom	3
	Total No. of Devices	7
GSM Mobile Sets		
1	LG	3
	Total No. of Devices	3

- Recommendation of Foreign Currency: NTA pursuant to section 35 of Telecommunication Act, 1997 recommended to MOIC for Foreign Exchange facility for payment of Bandwidth cost to an aggregated amount of NRs. 41,419,249.62 in the month of Ashwin.
- Recommendation of equipment: During the month of Ashwin recommendation for import of Telecom equipment amounting to a total of NRs. 105,849,168.08 has been made by NTA.

3.2 Capacity Building

a) International Training, Seminar, Study and Observation Tours Visit:

S. No.	Program	Date	Place	Participant's Name
1	To participate in the Telecommunications Development Symposium, 2009	2066/06/03 to 2066/06/11	Switzerland	Tulasi Bhatta (Board Member) Arjun Ghimire (Deputy Director)
2	To participate in the SATRC Workshop on Regulatory Challenge in Emerging Telecom Scenario	2066/06/25 to 2066/06/29	India	Deepesh Acharya (Deputy Director)
3	To participate in the Universal Access & Rural Broadband of Workshop	2066/06/25 to 2066/06/30	Bangkok Thailand	Girindra Raj Adhikari (Board Member)

b) National Training, Seminar, Study and Observation Tours Visit:

S. No.	Program	Date	Place	Participant's Name
1	To participate in the Opening Ceremony of Nepal Satellite Telecom Pvt. Ltd.	2066/06/07 to 2066/06/09	Dang and Rolpa	Bhesh Raj Kandel (Chairman) Mahesh Prasad Adhikari (Board Member)
2	To monitor about the license condition, tariff rate and quality of the service of Internet Service providers (Nepal Net Sanchar Pvt. Ltd., Access Net Pvt. Ltd.) and supervision of Illam ICT Center.	2066/06/26 to 2066/06/30	Illam, Biratnagar, Dharan and Bara	Santosh Paudel (Deputy Director) Bijaya Kumar Roy (Assistant Director) Sunder Pyakurel (Assistant Director)

3.3 License Issued:

S. No.	Name of Licensee	Name of License	Date (mm/dd/yy)
1	Eastern Networks Pvt. Ltd., Naxal, Kathmandu	Internet/Email	06/30/2066
2	Nepal Investment Bank Ltd, Lukla	Rural VSAT User	06/04/2066
3	Nepal Investment Bank Ltd, Jumla	Rural VSAT User	06/04/2066

3.4 License Renewal:-X

3.5 Licenses cancelled: X

4 Authority's Major Decisions during the month of Bhadra, 2066

During the month of Ashwin, 2066 Nepal Telecommunications Authority (NTA) held 4 meetings and made 15 decisions in various issues.

The following is a brief synopsis of the NTA decisions which have some regulatory importance.

Decision on policy and development agenda is given hereunder:

S. No.	Subject	Decision Date (mm/dd/yy)	Decision No.
1.	The consultation paper prepared for the fully opening of VoIP services has been approved with some modifications. It has been decided that one month time will be given to collect the feedbacks and comments from the stakeholders and experts in the consultation paper. The consultation document is available in the NTA website for comments and feedbacks.	06/06/2066	1740
2.	The tariff proposed by STM Telecom Sanchar Pvt. Ltd. from its telephone to Nepal Telecom's VSAT has been approved. The call rate ranges from Rs 3.60 to Rs3.80.	06/06/2066	1743
3.	A committee has been formed to provide recommendation for opening of GMPCS System Operator-cum-Service Provider service.	06/06/2066	1744
4.	A decision is made to issue an ISP license to Eastern Networks Pvt. Ltd and the following tariff has been approved: Unlimited Internet (Dial Up) usage plan = Rs 600/-per month Unlimited Internet (wireless with 64kbps minimum speed) =Rs 1200/-per month	23/06/2066	1747
5.	For the monitoring and inspection of the activities carried out and the services provided by the licensees, a committee has been formed to prepare a monitoring and inspection guidelines. The committee needs to submit its report in two months.	29/06/2066	1749
6.	The RFPs for hiring monitoring and certification consultants for two licenses issued by NTA viz: RTS-2 (Smart Telecom Pvt. Ltd) and Nepal Satellite Telecom Pvt. Ltd. have been approved.	29/06/2066	1748
7.	The Extraordinary leave for a period of one year has been approved for Mr Balaram Adhikary, Assistant Director at NTA.	29/06/2066	1750
8.	The Annual Report of NTA for FY 2065/066 (2008/2009) as submitted by the sub-committee has been approved with modifications.	30/06/2066	1752

5 List of the members of the Nepal Telecommunications Authority

S.No.	Members Name	Designation	Date of Appointment
1.	Mr. Bhesh Raj Kanel	Chairman	2065/08/08
2.	Mr Mahesh Prasad Adhikari	Member	2063/09/09
3.	Mr. Balaram Pradhananga	Member	2063/09/09
4.	Mr Tulsi Bhatta	Member	2064/04/07
5.	Mr. Girindra Raj Adhikari	Member	2065/09/23

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NTA Licensing Activity at a glance as of 15 July 2009 (End of Ashad 2066)

S. No.	Services	Fiscal Year												Existing
		Till 056/57	057/58	058/59	059/60	060/61	061/62	062/63	063/64	064/65	065/66	Total	License Cancelled	
1.	Basic Telecommunication	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	3
2.	GSM Mobile	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	2
3.	Network Service Provider	6	1	3	-	1	-	-	2	1	-	14	5	9
4.	VSAT User	16	8	11	15	20	6	41	7	-	6	130	28	102
5.	Internet (with e-mail)	13	2	3	2	6	6	7	3	3	7	52	14	38
6.	Radio Paging	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	0
7.	Fax Mail	4	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	6	0
8.	Video Conferencing	1		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
9.	GMPCS	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	3
10.	Rural Telecom	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	2
11.	Limited Mobility	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4	4	3	13	-	13
12.	Int. Trunk Telephone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	2
13.	Rural VSAT User	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3	-	3
14.	Rural ISP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1
Total		47	16	17	20	28	13	50	17	13	19	240	61	179

Source: NTA License Section