



13th November, 2017

National Stock Exchange of India Limited
"Exchange Plaza",
Bandra - Kurla Complex,
Bandra (E),
Mumbai – 400 051

BSE Limited
Phiroze Jeejeebhoy Towers,
Dalal Street,
Mumbai – 400 001

Dear Sirs,

Sub: Un-audited Financial Results for the Second Quarter and Half Year Ended 30th September, 2017 - Regulation 33 of SEBI (LODR) Regulations, 2015

Ref: "Idea Cellular Limited" (IDEA / 532822)

In continuation of our letter dated November 6, 2017 and pursuant to Regulation 33 of SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, please find attached herewith Un-audited Financial Results (Standalone and Consolidated) of the Company for the second quarter and half year ended 30th September, 2017, together with the Limited Review Report of the Statutory Auditors' thereon.

The aforesaid results have been approved by the Board of Directors of the Company at their meeting held today, which commenced at 7:00 A.M. and concluded at **8:45** A.M. L

A copy of Press Release issued in this regard is also attached herewith.

The above is for your information and dissemination to the public at large.

Thanking you,

Yours truly,

For Idea Cellular Limited

Pankaj Kapdeo
Company Secretary



Encl: As above



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Independent Auditor's Review Report on Review of Interim Consolidated Financial Results**To the Board of Directors
Idea Cellular Limited**

1. We have reviewed the accompanying statement of unaudited consolidated financial results of Idea Cellular Limited (the 'Holding Company') comprising its subsidiaries (together referred to as 'the Group'), its joint ventures and associates, for the quarter ended September 30, 2017 and year to date from April 1, 2017 to September 30, 2017 (the "Statement") attached herewith, being submitted by the Company pursuant to the requirements of Regulation 33 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, read with SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/FAC/62/2016 dated July 5, 2016 and Regulation 52 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2015, read with SEBI Circular No. CIR/IMD/DF1/69/2016 dated August 10, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the "Regulations"), as applicable.
2. The preparation of the Statement in accordance with the recognition and measurement principles laid down in Indian Accounting Standard 34, Interim Financial Reporting (Ind AS 34) prescribed under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 read with Rule 3 of Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) (Amendment) Rules, 2015 read with SEBI Circular No. CIR/CFD/FAC/62/2016 dated July 5, 2016 and SEBI Circular No. CIR/IMD/DF1/69/2016 dated August 10, 2016 is the responsibility of the Company's management and has been approved by the Board of Directors of the Company. Our responsibility is to issue a conclusion on the Statement based on our review.
3. We conducted our review in accordance with the Standard on Review Engagements (SRE) 2410, 'Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity' issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India. This Standard requires that we plan and perform the review to obtain moderate assurance as to whether the Statement is free of material misstatement. A review is limited primarily to inquiries of company personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data and thus provides less assurance than an audit. We have not performed an audit and accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.
4. Based on our review conducted as above, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the accompanying Statement of unaudited consolidated financial results prepared in accordance with recognition and measurement principles laid down in the applicable Indian Accounting Standards ('Ind AS') specified under Section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013, read with relevant rules issued thereunder and other recognised accounting practices and policies has not disclosed the information required to be disclosed in terms of the Regulations, as applicable, including the manner in which it is to be disclosed, or that it contains any material misstatement.
5. We draw your attention to Note 2 of the Statement which describes the uncertainties related to the legal outcome in respect of the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) demand notices for one time spectrum charges. Our report is not qualified in respect of this matter.
6. The Statements includes the Group's share of net loss of Rs. 33.95 million and Rs. 67.71 million for the quarter and for the six month period ended September 30, 2017 respectively, in respect of one associate, whose financial information have been reviewed by other auditors and whose reports have been furnished to us by the Management. Our conclusion, in so far as it relates to the affairs of such associate is based solely on the report of other auditors. Our conclusion is not qualified in respect of this matter.

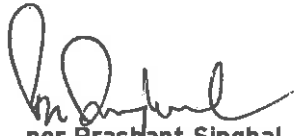


7. The comparative financial information of the Company for the corresponding quarter and six month period ended September 30, 2016 were reviewed by the predecessor auditor and the financial statements of the Company for the year ended March 31, 2017, were audited by predecessor auditor who expressed an unmodified opinion on those consolidated financial information and financial statements on October 24, 2016 and May 13, 2017 respectively.

For S.R. BATLIBOI & ASSOCIATES LLP

Chartered Accountants

ICAI Firm registration number: **101049W/E300004**


per Prashant Singhal
Partner

Membership No.: 93283



Place: Mumbai

Date: November 13, 2017

IDEA CELLULAR LIMITED Regd Office :- Suman Towers, Plot No 18, Sector 11, Gandhi Nagar-382011, CIN-L32100GJ1996PLC030976 Unaudited Consolidated Financial Results for the quarter and six months ended 30-September-2017 (₹ Mn, except per share data)						
Particulars	Quarter Ended			Six Months Ended		Year Ended
	30-Sep-17 Unaudited	30-Jun-17 Unaudited	30-Sep-16 Unaudited	30-Sep-17 Unaudited	30-Sep-16 Unaudited	31-Mar-17 Audited
INCOME						
Service Revenue	74,805	81,550	92,903	156,155	187,656	355,299
Sale of Trading Goods	14	24	86	38	172	228
Other Operating Income	36	91	14	127	41	231
REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS	74,855	81,665	93,003	156,320	187,869	355,758
Other Income	454	152	1,291	806	1,949	3,069
TOTAL INCOME	75,109	81,817	94,294	158,926	189,818	358,827
EXPENSES						
Cost of Trading Goods	20	35	111	55	219	279
Employee Benefit Expenses	4,398	4,195	4,788	8,593	9,122	17,976
Network Expenses and IT Outsourcing Costs	25,361	26,883	24,965	52,244	49,681	101,817
License Fees and Spectrum Usage Charges	7,689	8,666	10,791	16,355	21,765	40,515
Roaming & Access Charges	11,198	10,690	11,520	21,888	23,346	42,754
Marketing, Content, Customer Acquisition & Service Costs	8,854	10,017	10,051	18,871	19,844	39,695
Finance Costs	12,283	11,691	10,017	23,974	20,104	40,085
Depreciation & Amortisation Expenses	21,143	20,679	19,543	41,822	38,735	78,272
Other Expenses	2,119	2,425	2,403	4,544	4,770	10,285
TOTAL EXPENSES	93,065	95,281	94,189	188,346	187,386	371,678
PROFIT / (LOSS) BEFORE TAX AND SHARE IN PROFIT / (LOSS) OF JOINT VENTURE AND ASSOCIATE	(17,956)	(13,464)	105	(31,420)	2,432	(12,851)
Add: Share in Profit / (Loss) of Joint Venture and Associate (net)	843	818	1,057	1,661	2,092	4,218
PROFIT / (LOSS) BEFORE TAX	(17,113)	(12,646)	1,162	(29,759)	4,524	(8,633)
Tax expense:						
- Current tax	321	288	317	609	1,032	990
- Deferred tax	(6,368)	(4,785)	(70)	(11,153)	373	(5,626)
NET PROFIT / (LOSS) AFTER TAX	(11,068)	(8,149)	915	(19,215)	3,119	(3,997)
Items not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:						
- Re-measurement gains/ (losses) of defined benefit plans	(16)	(15)	(9)	(31)	(58)	(58)
- Income tax effect	6	5	3	11	20	19
- Group's share in other comprehensive income of joint venture and associate	(2)	-	(8)	(2)	(9)	(6)
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME / (LOSS)	(11,078)	(8,169)	901	(19,237)	3,072	(4,040)
Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face value ₹ 10 per share)	36,072	36,064	36,010	36,072	36,010	36,053
Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve						211,269
Earnings Per Share for the period (₹)						
- Basic	(3.09)	(2.28)	0.22	(5.37)	0.80	(1.23)
- Diluted	(3.09)	(2.28)	0.22	(5.37)	0.80	(1.23)
Debenture Redemption Reserve				3,070	554	1,317
Networth				228,013	236,021	247,322
Debt Service Coverage Ratio (DSCR) *				1.49	2.37	1.99
Interest Service Coverage Ratio (ISCR) **				1.78	3.13	2.63
Debt - Equity Ratio ***				2.49	1.73	2.23

* DSCR=Profit after Tax + Depreciation & Amortisation + Gross Finance Costs (excluding fair value gains / losses on derivatives) / (Gross Finance Costs (excluding fair value gains / losses on derivatives) + Interest capitalised + scheduled long term principal repayments excluding prepayments)

** ISCR=Profit after Tax + Depreciation & Amortisation + Gross Finance Costs (excluding fair value gains / losses on derivatives) / (Gross Finance Costs (excluding fair value gains / losses on derivatives) + Interest capitalised)

*** Debt - Equity Ratio = Debt / Total Equity





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Segmental Reporting		₹ Mn					
Particulars	Quarter Ended			Six Months Ended		Year Ended	
	30-Sep-17	30-Jun-17	30-Sep-16	30-Sep-17	30-Sep-16	31-Mar-17	
	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Unaudited	Audited	
Segment Revenue							
Revenue from Operations from each segment							
Mobility	72,646	79,728	91,146	152,374	164,513	348,788	
International Long Distance	1,571	1,599	2,017	3,170	4,126	7,510	
Passive Infrastructure	3,137	2,828	1,855	5,965	2,471	7,596	
Total	77,354	84,155	95,018	161,509	191,110	363,884	
Less: Inter Segment Eliminations	(2,699)	(2,490)	(2,015)	(5,189)	(3,241)	(8,126)	
Revenue from Operations	74,655	81,665	93,003	156,320	187,869	355,758	
Segment Results							
Profit/(Loss) from Operations before Other Income, Finance Charges and Tax from each segment							
Mobility	(6,996)	(2,483)	8,348	(9,479)	19,816	22,414	
International Long Distance	150	105	234	255	378	542	
Passive Infrastructure	719	453	249	1,172	393	1,209	
Profit/(Loss) from Operations before Other Income, Finance Charges and Tax	(6,127)	(1,925)	8,831	(8,052)	20,587	24,165	
Unallocable Income	454	152	1,291	806	1,949	3,069	
Finance Costs	(12,283)	(11,691)	(10,017)	(23,974)	(20,104)	(40,085)	
Profit/(Loss) before Tax and share in profit/(loss) of Joint Venture and Associate	(17,956)	(13,464)	105	(31,420)	2,432	(12,851)	
Segment Assets							
Mobility	869,006	865,755	728,949	869,006	728,949	877,064	
International Long Distance	1,076	803	1,021	1,076	1,021	975	
Passive Infrastructure	21,349	20,443	27,517	21,349	27,517	23,165	
Unallocated	47,288	21,314	56,986	47,288	56,986	67,078	
Gross Assets	938,719	908,315	814,473	938,719	814,473	968,302	
Less: Inter Segment Eliminations	(1,723)	(1,562)	(1,925)	(1,723)	(1,925)	(1,255)	
Total Assets	936,996	906,753	812,548	936,996	812,548	967,047	
Segment Liabilities							
Mobility	704,422	657,143	554,230	704,422	554,230	703,837	
International Long Distance	845	726	677	845	677	480	
Passive Infrastructure	3,299	2,877	3,773	3,299	3,773	3,050	
Unallocated	2,140	8,439	19,772	2,140	19,772	13,613	
Gross Liabilities	710,706	669,185	578,452	710,706	578,452	720,980	
Less: Inter Segment Eliminations	(1,723)	(1,562)	(1,925)	(1,723)	(1,925)	(1,255)	
Total Liabilities	708,983	667,623	576,527	708,983	576,527	719,725	



Notes

1. The above unaudited consolidated financial results, as reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board, were approved and taken on record by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 13th November 2017.
2. On 8th January 2013, Department of Telecommunications (DoT) issued demand notices towards one time spectrum charges:
 - for spectrum beyond 6.2 Mhz in respective service areas for retrospective period from 1st July 2008 to 31st December 2012, amounting to ₹ 3,691 Mn, and
 - for spectrum beyond 4.4 Mhz in respective service areas effective 1st January 2013 till expiry of the period as per respective licenses, amounting to ₹ 17,444 Mn.

In the opinion of Company, *inter-alia*, the above demands amount to alteration of financial terms of the licenses issued in the past. The Company had therefore, petitioned the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay, where the matter was admitted and is currently sub-judice. The Hon'ble High Court of Bombay has directed the DoT, not to take any coercive action until the matter is further heard. No effects have been given in the financial results for the above.

3. The listed 9.45% Non-Convertible Debentures (NCD's) aggregating to ₹ 3,960 Mn have a pari-passu charge on the tangible fixed assets of the company excluding passive telecom infrastructure.

The listed 8.12% NCD's aggregating to ₹ 10,000 Mn have a pari-passu charge on movable fixed assets of the company excluding Spectrum and Telecom Licenses, Vehicles and Passive Telecom Infrastructure.

Additional details required with regards to the listed secured and unsecured NCD's are as follows:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Principal Amount (₹ Mn)	Previous Due Date		Next Due Date	
			Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
1	Secured 9.45% NCD's	3,960	N.A	1-Nov-16	31-Oct-19	31-Oct-17
2	Secured 8.12% NCD's	10,000	N.A	N.A	8-Feb-24	8-Feb-18
3	Unsecured 7.57% NCD's	15,000	N.A	N.A	13-Dec-21	13-Dec-17
4	Unsecured 7.77% NCD's	10,000	N.A	N.A	4-Jan-22	4-Jan-18
5	Unsecured 7.77% NCD's	5,000	N.A	N.A	17-Jan-22	17-Jan-18
6	Unsecured 8.04% NCD's	20,000	N.A	N.A	27-Jan-22	27-Jan-18
7	Unsecured 8.03% NCD's	5,000	N.A	N.A	31-Jan-22	31-Jan-18
8	Unsecured 8.03% NCD's	5,000	N.A	N.A	14-Feb-22	14-Feb-18

Interest has been paid on the respective due dates and the principal is not yet due.

4. The Company retained its domestic credit rating of "CARE AA+" from CARE for all NCD's listed above and additionally its 8.12% NCD (Sl. No.2) and 8.03% NCD (Sl. No. 7) issues have been rated as "BWR AA+" with "Stable" outlook by Brickwork.
5. Unaudited financial results of Idea Cellular Limited (Standalone) :-

₹ Mn

Particulars	Quarter ended			Six Months ended		Year Ended
	30-Sept-17 Unaudited	30-Jun-17 Unaudited	30-Sept-16 Unaudited	30-Sept-17 Unaudited	30-Sept-16 Unaudited	31-Mar-17 Audited
Revenue from Operations	73,491	80,541	92,253	154,032	186,747	352,786
Profit / (Loss) before Tax	(18,874)	(14,074)	(652)	(32,948)	1,838	(14,190)
Net Profit / (Loss) after Tax	(12,368)	(9,228)	(428)	(21,596)	1,176	(8,311)



6. Statement of Assets and Liabilities:-

₹ Mn

Particulars		As at 30-Sep-17 Unaudited	As at 31-Mar-17 Audited
A	ASSETS		
1	Non-current Assets		
	Property, Plant and Equipment	237,411	228,443
	Capital work-in-progress	8,695	13,303
	Goodwill on consolidation	61	61
	Intangible assets	550,987	539,128
	Intangible assets under development	43,932	62,048
	Financial Assets		
	Non-current investments	13,138	14,785
	Long term loans to employees	26	26
	Others	4,779	4,865
	Deferred Tax Assets	462	369
	Other non-financial assets	23,366	27,694
	Sub-total Non-current assets	882,857	890,722
2	Current Assets		
	Inventories	444	588
	Financial Assets		
	Current investments	26,953	48,998
	Trade receivables	12,967	13,139
	Cash and cash equivalents	632	782
	Bank balance other than cash and cash equivalents	44	45
	Current portion of loans to employees	20	21
	Others	463	399
	Current tax assets (Net)	10	25
	Other non-financial assets	12,598	12,312
	Sub-total current assets	54,131	76,309
	Non-Current assets classified as held for sale	8	16
	Sub-total current assets	54,139	76,325
	TOTAL – ASSETS	936,996	967,047
B	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
1	Equity		
	Equity share capital	36,072	36,053
	Other equity	191,941	211,269
	Sub-total Equity	228,013	247,322
2	Non-Current Liabilities		
	Financial liabilities		
	Long term borrowings	559,845	516,378
	Others	21,946	10,382
	Long term provisions	4,306	3,842
	Deferred tax liabilities	1,975	13,587
	Other non-financial liabilities	5,094	4,921
	Sub-total non-current liabilities	593,166	549,110
3	Current Liabilities		
	Financial liabilities		
	Short term borrowings	470	347
	Trade payable	44,578	40,777
	Others	40,118	102,560
	Other non-financial liabilities	30,305	26,732
	Short term provisions	346	199
	Sub-total current liabilities	115,817	170,615
	TOTAL – EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	936,996	967,047



7. Subsequent to the quarter end, the Board of Directors of the Company at its meeting held on 13th November 2017 has approved the sale of its entire shareholding in Idea Cellular Infrastructure Services Limited (ICISL), a wholly owned subsidiary to ATC Telecom Infrastructure Private Limited (ATC). ATC and the Company will enter into a Share Purchase Agreement for a consideration of ₹ 40,000 Mn. The closing of the transaction is subject to certain regulatory approvals and other closing conditions. ICISL is in the business of providing Passive Infrastructure services to telecom companies and forms part of the "Passive Infrastructure" segment in the consolidated financial results.
8. Previous periods' figures have been regrouped and rearranged wherever necessary.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of
IDEA CELLULAR LIMITED

Date: 13th November 2017
Place: Mumbai

Himanshu Kapania
Himanshu Kapania
Managing Director



Independent Auditor's Review Report on Review of Interim Standalone Financial Results**To the Board of Directors
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For S.R. BATLIBOI & ASSOCIATES LLP

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per Prashant Singhal
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Place: Mumbai

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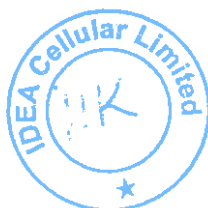
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INCOME						
Service Revenue	73,460	80,451	92,238	153,911	186,708	352,565
Other Operating Income	31	90	15	121	39	221
REVENUE FROM OPERATIONS	73,491	80,541	92,253	154,032	186,747	352,786
Other Income	384	105	611	489	1,125	1,971
TOTAL INCOME	73,875	80,646	92,864	154,521	187,872	354,757
EXPENSES						
Employee Benefit Expenses	4,040	3,797	4,356	7,837	8,272	16,256
Network Expenses and IT Outsourcing Costs	25,390	26,847	24,945	52,237	49,593	101,813
License Fees and Spectrum Usage Charges	7,689	8,666	10,792	16,355	21,765	40,515
Roaming & Access Charges	11,198	10,690	11,521	21,888	23,346	42,754
Marketing, Content, Customer Acquisition & Service Costs	9,134	10,325	10,363	19,459	20,297	40,832
Finance Costs	12,418	11,812	10,008	24,230	19,804	39,780
Depreciation & Amortisation Expenses	20,822	20,240	19,220	41,062	38,332	77,000
Other Expenses	2,058	2,343	2,311	4,401	4,625	9,997
TOTAL EXPENSES	92,749	94,720	93,616	187,469	186,034	368,947
PROFIT / (LOSS) BEFORE TAX	(18,874)	(14,074)	(652)	(32,948)	1,838	(14,190)
Tax expense:						
- Current tax	-	-	(59)	-	573	-
- Deferred tax	(6,506)	(4,846)	(165)	(11,352)	89	(5,879)
NET PROFIT / (LOSS) AFTER TAX	(12,368)	(9,228)	(428)	(21,596)	1,176	(8,311)
Items not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:						
- Re-measurement gains/ (losses) of defined benefit plans	(18)	(12)	2	(30)	(49)	(49)
- Income tax effect	6	4	(1)	10	17	17
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME / (LOSS)	(12,380)	(9,236)	(427)	(21,616)	1,144	(8,343)
Paid up Equity Share Capital (Face value ₹ 10 per share)	36,072	36,064	36,010	36,072	36,010	36,053
Reserves excluding Revaluation Reserve						201,185
Earnings Per Share for the period (₹)						
- Basic	(3.43)	(2.56)	(0.12)	(5.99)	0.33	(2.31)
- Diluted	(3.43)	(2.56)	(0.12)	(5.99)	0.33	(2.31)
Debt Redemption Reserve				3,070	554	1,317
Networth				215,699	246,476	237,238
Debt Service Coverage Ratio (DSCR) *				1.39	2.29	1.88
Interest Service Coverage Ratio (ISCR) **				1.66	3.05	2.50
Debt - Equity Ratio ***				2.63	1.66	2.32

* DSCR=Profit after Tax + Depreciation & Amortisation + Gross Finance Costs (excluding fair value gains / losses on derivatives) / (Gross Finance Costs (excluding fair value gains / losses on derivatives) + interest capitalised + scheduled long term principal repayments excluding prepayments)

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*** Debt - Equity Ratio = Debt / Total Equity



Notes

1. The above unaudited financial results, as reviewed by the Audit Committee of the Board, were approved and taken on record by the Board of Directors at their meeting held on 13th November 2017.
2. On 8th January 2013, Department of Telecommunications (DoT) issued demand notices towards one time spectrum charges:
 - for spectrum beyond 6.2 Mhz in respective service areas for retrospective period from 1st July 2008 to 31st December 2012, amounting to ₹ 3,691 Mn, and
 - for spectrum beyond 4.4 Mhz in respective service areas effective 1st January 2013 till expiry of the period as per respective licenses, amounting to ₹ 17,444 Mn.

In the opinion of Company, *inter-alia*, the above demands amount to alteration of financial terms of the licenses issued in the past. The Company had therefore, petitioned the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay, where the matter was admitted and is currently sub-judice. The Hon'ble High Court of Bombay has directed the DoT, not to take any coercive action until the matter is further heard. No effects have been given in the financial results for the above.

3. The listed 9.45% Non-Convertible Debentures (NCD's) aggregating to ₹ 3,960 Mn have a pari-passu charge on the tangible fixed assets of the company excluding passive telecom infrastructure.

The listed 8.12% NCD's aggregating to ₹ 10,000 Mn have a pari-passu charge on movable fixed assets of the company excluding Spectrum and Telecom Licenses, Vehicles and Passive Telecom Infrastructure.

Additional details required with regards to the listed secured and unsecured NCD's are as follows:

Sl. No.	Particulars	Principal Amount (₹ Mn)	Previous Due Date		Next Due Date	
			Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
1	Secured 9.45% NCD's	3,960	N.A	1-Nov-16	31-Oct-19	31-Oct-17
2	Secured 8.12% NCD's	10,000	N.A	N.A	8-Feb-24	8-Feb-18
3	Unsecured 7.57% NCD's	15,000	N.A	N.A	13-Dec-21	13-Dec-17
4	Unsecured 7.77% NCD's	10,000	N.A	N.A	4-Jan-22	4-Jan-18
5	Unsecured 7.77% NCD's	5,000	N.A	N.A	17-Jan-22	17-Jan-18
6	Unsecured 8.04% NCD's	20,000	N.A	N.A	27-Jan-22	27-Jan-18
7	Unsecured 8.03% NCD's	5,000	N.A	N.A	31-Jan-22	31-Jan-18
8	Unsecured 8.03% NCD's	5,000	N.A	N.A	14-Feb-22	14-Feb-18

Interest has been paid on the respective due dates and the principal is not yet due.

4. The Company retained its domestic credit rating of "CARE AA+" from CARE for all NCD's listed above and additionally its 8.12% NCD (Sl. No.2) and 8.03% NCD (Sl. No. 7) issues have been rated as "BWR AA+" with "Stable" outlook by Brickwork.



5. Statement of Assets and Liabilities :-

₹ Mn

Particulars	As at 30-Sep-17 Unaudited	As at 31-Mar-17 Audited
A ASSETS		
1 Non-current Assets		
Property, Plant and Equipment	231,417	221,885
Capital work-in-progress	8,662	13,244
Intangible assets	551,218	539,365
Intangible assets under development	43,932	62,048
Financial Assets		
Non-current investments	22,308	22,266
Long term loans to employees	26	26
Others	4,990	5,079
Other non-financial assets	23,237	27,497
Sub-total Non-current assets	885,790	891,410
2 Current Assets		
Inventories	417	542
Financial Assets		
Current investments	14,102	40,247
Trade receivables	12,140	12,581
Cash and cash equivalents	276	269
Bank balance other than cash and cash equivalents	43	44
Current portion of loans to employees	20	21
Others	467	403
Other non-financial assets	12,378	12,091
	39,843	66,198
Non-Current assets classified as held for sale	8	16
Sub-total current assets	39,851	66,214
TOTAL – ASSETS	925,641	957,624
B EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
1 Equity		
Equity share capital	36,072	36,053
Other equity	179,627	201,185
Sub-total Equity	215,699	237,238
2 Non-Current Liabilities		
Financial liabilities		
Long term borrowings	559,845	516,378
Others	21,552	10,034
Long term provisions	3,740	3,311
Deferred tax liabilities	5,429	16,791
Other non-financial liabilities	5,082	4,908
Sub-total non-current liabilities	595,648	551,422
3 Current Liabilities		
Financial liabilities		
Short term borrowings	462	337
Trade payable	43,875	39,921
Others	40,015	102,295
Other non-financial liabilities	29,773	26,250
Short term provisions	169	161
Sub-total current liabilities	114,294	168,964
TOTAL – EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	925,641	957,624



6. Subsequent to the quarter end, the Board of Directors of the Company at its meeting held on 13th November 2017 has approved the sale of its entire shareholding in Idea Cellular Infrastructure Services Limited (ICISL), a wholly owned subsidiary to ATC Telecom Infrastructure Private Limited (ATC). ATC and the Company will enter into a Share Purchase Agreement for a consideration of ₹ 40,000 Mn. The closing of the transaction is subject to certain regulatory approvals and other closing conditions. ICISL is in the business of providing Passive Infrastructure services to Telecom companies.
7. Previous periods' figures have been regrouped and rearranged wherever necessary.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors of
IDEA CELLULAR LIMITED

Date : 13th November 2017
Place : Mumbai

Himanshu Kapania
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Managing Director





Media Release

Mumbai – November 13, 2017

Idea Cellular announces un-audited results for the Second Quarter (Q2) and Half Year ended September 30, 2017

Highlights Standalone¹ Results -

Revenue - Rs. 74,654 million,

EBITDA - Rs. 15,016 million,

PAT - Rs. -11,760 million

	INR million				
	Q2FY18	Q1FY18	Q2FY17	QoQ Change	YoY Change
Revenue - Established Service Areas ³	69,239	75,784	86,112	-8.6%	-19.6%
Revenue - New Service Areas ⁴	5,415	5,881	6,890	-7.9%	-21.4%
Total Revenue	74,654	81,665	93,002	-8.6%	-19.7%
EBITDA - Established Service Areas ³	16,482	20,169	29,846	-18.3%	-44.8%
EBITDA - New Service Areas ⁴	-1,465	-1,416	-1,474	-3.5%	0.6%
Total EBITDA	15,016	18,753	28,372	-19.9%	-47.1%
EBITDA% - Established Service Areas ³	23.8%	26.6%	34.7%	-2.8%	-10.9%
EBITDA% - New Service Areas ⁴	-27.1%	-24.1%	-21.4%	-3.0%	-5.7%
EBITDA%	20.1%	23.0%	30.5%	-2.8%	-10.4%
Depreciation & Amortisation	21,143	20,679	19,543	2.2%	8.2%
EBIT	-6,127	-1,926	8,829	-218.1%	-169.4%
Interest and Financing Cost (Net)	11,829	11,538	8,725	2.5%	35.6%
Dividend from Indus	-	2,657	-	-	-
PBT	-17,956	-10,807	105	-66.2%	NA
PAT (Standalone¹)	-11,760	-6,170	43	-90.6%	NA
Cash Profit⁵ (Standalone)	2,885	9,608	19,406	-70.0%	-85.1%
Share of Profit from Indus & ABIPBL	843	818	1,057	3.1%	-20.2%
Deferred Tax on Undistributed earnings of Indus	148	140	186	6.0%	-20.3%
Other Comprehensive Income (net of Tax)	-12	-10	-14	-22.5%	14.5%
Total Comprehensive Income (Consolidated²)	-11,077	-8,159	900	-35.8%	NA

Seasonally slow quarter witnessed high competition, regulatory changes and industry consolidation

The operating environment for Indian mobile operators remained challenging with unrelenting pressure on pricing, introduction of GST @18% (compared to service tax @15%) and need for large investments to support the exploding data demand. The significant financial pressure forced the sub-scale operators with limited or no 4G footprint to exit or combine with other operators, leading to faster than expected mobile industry consolidation.

While seasonal industry slowdown followed the past trends, as always 'July to September 2017 quarter' impact on Idea's subscribers and revenue loss was more pronounced given its higher share of rural subscribers. This coupled with continued pricing pressure and GST change, resulted in overall company revenue declining to Rs. 74,654 million, a reduction of 8.6% compared to Rs. 81,665 million in Q1FY18. Competitively, Idea maintained its 'Subscriber Market Share' (VLR) at 19.4% (Aug'17) and 'Revenue Market Share' @ 18.9% (Q1FY18).



As industry operating tariffs tumble, voice and data volume growth partially compensated the steep rate fall. During this low demand period, the sequential quarterly voice minutes grew by 1.7% to 255 billion minutes (vs decline of 1.9% in Q2FY17) and mobile data volume (2G+3G+4G) witnessed strong sequential growth of 73.5% (on back of 99.1% growth in Q1FY18) as Idea's pan India data network carried 438.7 billion MB. The broadband data usage (3G+4G) has nearly doubled to 413 billion MB in Q2FY18 from 228.8 billion MB in Q1FY18. While the total mobile data users on Idea network remained flat at 38.2 million, the broadband (3G+4G) subscribers increased by 3.2 million to 29.6 million in Q2FY18.

The rate realisation continued its free fall in Q2FY18 as voice realisation rate fell by 9.9% to 22.0 paisa/min (vs 24.4 paisa in Q1FY18) and mobile data realisation saw a sharp decline of 49.2% to 2.7 paisa/MB (vs 5.4 paisa in Q1FY18). The revenue per subscriber (ARPU) also fell by 6.6% to Rs. 132 (vs Rs. 141 in Q1 FY18).

Idea introduces mass market unlimited voice and bundled data price plans

With the introduction of unlimited voice (Local + STD) and bundled data price plans, the consumption habits of Indian mobility users is undergoing a sea change. As Indian customers graduate to higher ticket unlimited/bundled plans, the mobile service consumption trends are shifting from 'snacking' to 'buffet' with marked higher per subscriber usage. The company recently introduced three pan India mass market prepaid price plans for all its 2G, 3G and 4G handset customers.

- (a) Rs. 179 - Unlimited voice and 1GB only data valid for 21/28 days (validity varies across telecom circles)
- (b) Rs. 357 - Unlimited voice and 1.5 GB per day data valid for 28 days
- (c) Rs. 449 - Unlimited voice and 1GB per day data valid for 70 days (@Rs. 498 in 5 leadership markets)

The Rs. 357 and Rs. 449 prepaid price plans are bundled with free roaming and unlimited SMS (100 SMS/day).

More details are available on Idea's website www.ideacellular.com

Accelerated broadband Investments to support strong data demand

Over the period of last two years, Idea has aggressively expanded its mobile broadband infrastructure and added 93,818 broadband (3G+4G) sites. Idea has multiplied its broadband sites by 3.4 times in last two years and the overall broadband sites now stands at 133,685, higher than the unique 2G sites built over a span of last 21 years. Idea's wireless broadband network (3G+4G) population under coverage now exceeds 568 million Indians (46.9% of Indian population) across 22 service areas spread over 121,446 towns and villages.

As 4G adoption rate is ahead of initial company estimates primarily driven by affordable smartphones, expanding 4G coverage and world's lowest 'voice and mobile broadband tariffs', almost all of Idea's incremental network capital investments is allocated to 4G expansion (including fibre and capacity). The 4G population under coverage has nearly tripled from 14.8% (~170 mn) in Q2FY17 to 38.1% (~450 mn), reflecting Idea's aggressive intent to participate in emerging 4G consumer market. Further, the planned deployment of 2300 MHz or 2500 MHz spectrum band in many of its leadership markets during the current financial year will further boost Idea's 4G capacity in these key markets. Additionally, the company also remains on course to introduce its own VoLTE – 'Voice over LTE' by early calendar year 2018.



In order to support the burgeoning demand of mobile broadband services, Idea has also increased its fibre backbone network by more than 50,000 kms (100,400 km in Q2FY16 to 150,500 km in Q2FY18). On overall terms Idea's Gross Investment in Fixed Assets has now risen to over Rs 1,222 billion, a net addition of Rs. 486 billion (capex + spectrum) during the last 24 months. The capex spend for the current quarter was Rs. 19.7 billion.

In October 2017, Idea and Vodafone India have entered into Active Infrastructure sharing arrangement, to avoid duplication of spends and make best use of capex, and both operators have started to enjoy expanded coverage from such shared sites. Similarly, additional 4G coverage in nearly 5,000 new towns and neighbouring villages for each operator is under discussion/ testing and the company expects to close the new 4G ICR arrangements with Vodafone India at the earliest.

Subdued Q2FY18 financial performance given challenging environment

With steep decline in revenue, the EBITDA for the quarter declined by 19.9% to Rs. 15,016 million compared to Rs. 18,753 million in Q1FY18, largely due to lower revenue and higher operating cost related to 'Roaming & Access' (as outgoing minutes increased) and 'Manpower' due to annual increments. The EBITDA margin for the quarter declined to 20.1% from 23% in Q1FY18.

Additionally, the 'Depreciation & Amortisation' charge increased to Rs. 21,143 million and 'Interest & Financing Cost (Net)' rose to Rs. 11,829 million as the company continued to aggressively invest in expanding its 4G footprint. The standalone PAT loss for the quarter stands at Rs. 11,760 million (vs PAT loss of Rs. 8,827 million in Q1FY18 excluding Indus dividend).

The Net Debt as on September 30, 2017 stands at Rs. 541 billion, including a large component of debt from DoT under 'Deferred Payment Obligation' for Spectrum acquired in Auctions.

The consolidated Total Comprehensive Income (including proportionate share from Indus & ABIPBL) stands at a loss of Rs. 11,077 million in Q2FY18 (vs loss of Rs. 8,159 million in Q1FY18).

Merger Update

On 20th March, 2017 Vodafone Group Plc and Idea Cellular announced an agreement to combine their operations in India (excluding Vodafone's 42% stake in Indus Towers) to create India's largest telecom operator with complementary footprint and amongst highest overall spectrum holding of 1,850 MHz across multiple bands. The merger transaction is subject to approval from the relevant regulatory authorities. During the quarter, the company received approval for the proposed combination from (a) 'Competition Commission of India' (CCI) and (b) SEBI & Stock Exchanges. The company subsequently filed its scheme of arrangement with National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT), Ahmedabad on 7th August 2017. On 12th October 2017, Idea under NCLT's supervision organized meeting of its shareholders, secured creditors and unsecured creditors and received their approval for the merger. Final petition for approval of the Scheme of Arrangement has since been filed with NCLT. The merger of Idea and Vodafone India is on track.

As a part of the Idea & Vodafone India merger announcement of 20th March, 2017 both the parties had announced their intention to sell their standalone tower businesses to strengthen the balance sheet of the combined entity. Today, Idea and Vodafone, through a joint press release announced the companies have separately agreed to sell



their respective standalone tower businesses in India to ATC Telecom Infrastructure Private Limited ("American Tower") for an aggregate enterprise value of Rs. 78.5 billion. In the event that the completion of the sale of the standalone tower businesses precedes the completion of the proposed merger, Idea will receive Rs. 40.0 billion. On completion of Idea and Vodafone India merger, ~6,300 co-located tenancies on the combined standalone tower businesses will be merged into single tenancy, within a staggered period of two years, without a penalty fee. Further details of the transaction have been separately provided in today's joint press release by Idea & Vodafone.

In the meantime, Idea remains nimble, agile, adaptive, and focused on its execution capabilities. The company continues to strive for building capacity, optimising costs and delivering sustainable benefits to the consumers. Idea expects to benefit from faster than anticipated consolidation of industry and emerge as one of the three major mobile service providers for both voice and broadband services across 2G, 3G and 4G platforms. Idea remains focused on tapping all the emerging opportunities in mobile voice, wireless data business, digital content and mobile banking, etc.

Notes:

1. Idea Standalone represents Idea, and its 100% subsidiaries. Effectively, this encompasses all operations, excluding Indus and Payments Bank (ABIPBL).
2. Idea Consolidated represents Idea Standalone and proportionate consolidation of Indus and Payments Bank at PAT level.
3. Established Service Areas represent 15 service areas namely Maharashtra & Goa, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh & Chhattisgarh, Delhi, Kerala, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh West & Uttaranchal, Uttar Pradesh East, Rajasthan, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Karnataka, Mumbai and Bihar service areas.
4. New Service Areas represent 7 service areas of Orissa, Tamil Nadu, J&K, Kolkata, West Bengal, Assam and North East.
5. Cash Profit is calculated as summation of PAT, Depreciation & Amortisation, charge on account of ESOPs and Deferred tax (excluding MAT), for relevant period.
6. Figures for past periods have been regrouped, wherever necessary.

About Idea Cellular Ltd.

Idea Cellular is the third largest wireless operator in India with a Revenue Market Share of 18.9% (Q1FY18). Idea is listed on the National Stock Exchange (NSE), and the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) in India. Idea is part of the Aditya Birla Group, which is one of the largest business groups in India. The Aditya Birla Group is a conglomerate with operations in more than 35 countries. The Aditya Birla group has a history of over 50 years and has businesses in, among others, mobile telecommunications, metals and mining, cement, carbon black, textiles, garments, chemicals, fertilizers, life insurance and financial services industries.