

Bharti Hexacom Limited
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For the year ended March 31, 2024

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Independent Auditor's Report

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To The Members of BHARTI HEXACOM LIMITED Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **Bharti Hexacom Limited** ("the Company"), which comprise the Balance Sheet as at March 31, 2024, and the Statement of Profit and Loss (including Other Comprehensive Loss), the Statement of Changes in Equity and the Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended on that date, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of material accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the aforesaid financial statements give the information required by the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act") in the manner so required and give a true and fair view in conformity with the Indian Accounting Standards prescribed under section 133 of the Act read with the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015, as amended ("Ind AS") and other accounting principles generally accepted in India, of the state of affairs of the Company as at March 31, 2024, and its profit, total comprehensive income, the changes in equity and its cash flows for the year ended on that date.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit of the financial statements in accordance with the Standards on Auditing ("SAs") specified under section 143(10) of the Act. Our responsibilities under those Standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Code of Ethics issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ("ICAI") together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements under the provisions of the Act and the Rules made thereunder, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the ICAI's Code of Ethics. We believe that the audit evidence obtained by us is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the financial statements.

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. We have determined the matters described below to be the key audit matters to be communicated in our report.

Sr. No.	Key Audit Matter	Auditor's Response
	<p>Revenue from operations:</p> <p>We considered accuracy of revenues relating to prepaid mobile services as a key audit matter because of the complexity of the IT systems, significance of volumes of data</p>	<p>Principal Audit Procedures</p> <p>We obtained an understanding, evaluated the design, tested the implementation and operating effectiveness of (i) the general IT controls, automated controls, interfaces, and system generated reports relevant for</p>



	<p>processed by the IT systems and updation of tariff plans.</p> <p>Refer note 2.16 "Revenue recognition" for accounting policies, note 3.2.a 'Revenue recognition and presentation' under the head 'Critical judgements in applying the Company's accounting policies' and note 21 on disclosures related to Revenue from operations in the financial statements.</p>	<p>revenue recognition by involving our IT specialist; (ii) control over tariff plan configuration in the relevant IT systems; and (iii) control over validation of rate charged in call data records (CDRs) with price masters.</p> <p>We tested reconciliations between prepaid application systems with general ledger, and performed verification of revenue recognised and deferred revenue.</p> <p>We performed independent testing to evidence that the amount charged, benefit given and validity provided to the subscribers are consistent with the approved tariff plans.</p> <p>We used data analytics to perform substantive analytical procedure to develop an expectation of the revenue basis number of subscribers and ARPU trends and compared the results of the expectation with actual revenue.</p> <p>We verified the appropriateness of the accounting policies and the disclosures related to Revenue from operations in notes 2.16, 3.2.a and 21 respectively in the financial statements.</p>
2	<p>Provisions and contingencies relating to regulatory and tax matters:</p> <p>The Company has recognised provisions for probable outflows relating to tax and regulatory matters and have disclosed contingencies for tax and regulatory matters where the obligations are considered possible.</p> <p>The Company in consultation with the legal, tax and other advisers assess a likelihood that a pending matter relating to tax or regulatory will succeed. In performing this assessment, the Company has applied judgement and accordingly, has recognised provision where economic outflows are probable and disclosed contingent liabilities where economic outflows are considered possible.</p> <p>We have considered the provisions recorded and the contingencies relating to tax and regulatory matters as a key audit matter as there is significant judgement to determine the possible outcome of matters under dispute and determining the amounts involved, which may vary depending on the outcome of the matters.</p> <p>Refer note 2.15 "Contingencies" for accounting policies, note 3.1.d 'Contingent liabilities and provisions'</p>	<p>Principal Audit Procedures:</p> <p>We obtained an understanding, evaluated the design and tested the operating effectiveness of internal controls relating to: (1) identification, evaluation, recognition of provisions, disclosure of contingencies for matters under review or appeal with relevant adjudicating authorities by considering the assumptions and information used by management in performing this assessment; (2) completeness and accuracy of the underlying data / information used in the assessment.</p> <p>For tax matters, with the help of our tax specialist, we evaluated the reasonableness of the management's positions by considering tax regulations and past decisions from tax authorities, new information and opinions obtained by the Company from its external tax advisors, where applicable.</p> <p>For regulatory matters, we evaluated the reasonableness of the management's positions by considering relevant assessment orders, court judgements, statutes, interpretations and amendments, circulars and external legal opinion obtained by the Company, where applicable.</p>



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<p>under the head "Key sources of estimation uncertainties", note 17 "Provisions" for disclosure related to provisions for subjudice matters, note 4(iii) for Variable licence fees matter and Note 20 (I) in respect of details of Contingent liabilities in the financial statements.</p>	<p>We also evaluated the disclosures provided in the notes to the financial statements concerning these matters.</p>
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Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor’s Report Thereon

- The Company’s Board of Directors is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Management Discussion and Analysis, Board’s Report including Annexures to the Board’s Report, Business Responsibility & Sustainability Report and Corporate Governance Report, but does not include the financial statements and our auditor’s report thereon.
- Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.
- In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained during the course of our audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.
- If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

The Company’s Board of Directors is responsible for the matters stated in section 134(5) of the Act with respect to the preparation of these financial statements that give a true and fair view of the financial position, financial performance including other comprehensive income/(loss) and changes in equity and cash flows of the Company in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in India, including Ind AS specified under section 133 of the Act. This responsibility also includes maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of the Act for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for preventing and detecting frauds and other irregularities; selection and application of appropriate accounting policies; making judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls, that were operating effectively for ensuring the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, relevant to the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view and are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management and the Board of Directors are responsible for assessing the Company’s ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Company’s Board of Directors are also responsible for overseeing the Company’s financial reporting process.

Auditor’s Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor’s



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report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with SAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with SAs, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal financial controls relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances. Under section 143(3)(i) of the Act, we are also responsible for expressing our opinion on whether the Company has adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements in place and the operating effectiveness of company's internal financial controls.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Materiality is the magnitude of misstatements in the financial statements that, individually or in aggregate, makes it probable that the economic decisions of a reasonably knowledgeable user of the financial statements may be influenced. We consider quantitative materiality and qualitative factors in (i) planning the scope of our audit work and in evaluating the results of our work; and (ii) to evaluate the effect of any identified misstatements in the financial statements.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal financial controls that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse



consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

1. As required by Section 143(3) of the Act, based on our audit we report that:

- a) We have sought and obtained all the information and explanations which to the best of our knowledge and belief were necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- b) In our opinion, proper books of account as required by law have been kept by the Company so far as it appears from our examination of those books except for the matter as stated in (i)(vi) below for reporting related to requirements of Audit Trail.
- c) The Balance Sheet, the Statement of Profit and Loss including Other Comprehensive loss, Statement of Changes in Equity and the Statement of Cash Flows dealt with by this Report are in agreement with the books of account.
- d) In our opinion, the aforesaid financial statements comply with the Ind AS specified under Section 133 of the Act.
- e) On the basis of the written representations received from the directors as on March 31, 2024 taken on record by the Board of Directors, none of the directors is disqualified as on March 31, 2024 from being appointed as a director in terms of Section 164(2) of the Act.
- f) The modification relating to the maintenance of accounts and other matters connected therewith, is as stated in paragraph (b) above.
- g) With respect to the adequacy of the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements of the Company and the operating effectiveness of such controls, refer to our separate Report in "Annexure A". Our report expresses an unmodified opinion on the adequacy and operating effectiveness of the Company's internal financial controls with reference to financial statements.
- h) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with the requirements of section 197(16) of the Act, as amended,

In our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the remuneration paid by the Company to its directors during the year is in accordance with the provisions of section 197 of the Act.

- i) With respect to the other matters to be included in the Auditor's Report in accordance with Rule 11 of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014, as amended in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us:
 - i. The Company has disclosed the impact of pending litigations on its financial position in its financial statements - Refer Note 20 (I) to the financial statements;
 - ii. The Company did not have any long-term contracts including derivative contracts for which there were any material foreseeable losses.
 - iii. There has been no delay in transferring amounts, required to be transferred, to the Investor Education and Protection Fund by the Company.
 - iv. (a) The Management has represented that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds have been advanced or loaned or invested (either from borrowed



funds or share premium or any other sources or kind of funds) by the Company to or in any other person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ("Intermediaries"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Intermediary shall, directly or indirectly lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Company ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.

- (b) The Management has represented, that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, no funds have been received by the Company from any person(s) or entity(ies), including foreign entities ("Funding Parties"), with the understanding, whether recorded in writing or otherwise, that the Company shall, directly or indirectly, lend or invest in other persons or entities identified in any manner whatsoever by or on behalf of the Funding Party ("Ultimate Beneficiaries") or provide any guarantee, security or the like on behalf of the Ultimate Beneficiaries.
- (c) Based on the audit procedures performed that have been considered reasonable and appropriate in the circumstances, nothing has come to our notice that has caused us to believe that the representations under sub-clause (i) and (ii) of Rule 11(e), as provided under (a) and (b) above, contain any material misstatement.

- v. The final dividend proposed in the previous year, declared and paid by the Company during the year is in accordance with section 123 of the Act, as applicable.

As stated in note 14 (e) to the financial statements, the Board of Directors of the Company has proposed final dividend for the year which is subject to the approval of the members at the ensuing Annual General Meeting. Such dividend proposed is in accordance with section 123 of the Act, as applicable.

- vi. Based on our examination which included test checks, the Company has used various accounting and related softwares for maintaining its books of account wherein the audit trail (edit log) feature was not enabled through-out the year for the accounting and related softwares used by the Company for maintaining its books of accounts. Further, the Company has enabled audit trail (edit log) feature for part of the year in certain accounting and related softwares for maintaining its books of account and operated during such period. (Refer note 36 of the financial statements).

Further, during the course of our audit, we did not come across any instances of audit trail (edit log) feature being tampered with for aforesaid accounting and related softwares for the part of the year for which the audit trail feature was enabled and operating.

As proviso to Rule 3(1) of the Companies (Accounts) Rules, 2014 is applicable from April 1, 2023, reporting under Rule 11 (g) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 on preservation of audit trail as per the statutory requirements for record retention is not applicable for the year ended March 31, 2024.



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2. As required by the Companies (Auditor's Report) Order, 2020 ("the Order") issued by the Central Government in terms of Section 143(11) of the Act, we give in "Annexure B" a statement on the matters specified in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Order.

For **DELOITTE HASKINS & SELLS LLP**

Chartered Accountants

(Firm's Registration No.117366W/W-100018)



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Nilesh Lahoti

(Partner)

(Membership No. 130054)

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Place: Gurugram

Date: May 14, 2024

ANNEXURE "A" TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

(Referred to in paragraph 1(g) under 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' section of our report of even date)

Report on the Internal Financial Controls with reference to financial statements under Clause (i) of Sub-section 3 of Section 143 of the Companies Act, 2013 ("the Act")

We have audited the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements of **Bharti Hexacom Limited** ("the Company") as at March 31, 2024 in conjunction with our audit of the Ind AS financial statements of the Company for the year ended on that date.

Management's Responsibility for Internal Financial Controls

The Company's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal financial controls with reference to financial statements based on the internal control with reference to financial statements criteria established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note on Audit of Internal Financial Controls Over Financial Reporting issued by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India ("the Guidance Note"). These responsibilities include the design, implementation and maintenance of adequate internal financial controls that were operating effectively for ensuring the orderly and efficient conduct of its business, including adherence to the company's policies, the safeguarding of its assets, the prevention and detection of frauds and errors, the accuracy and completeness of the accounting records, and the timely preparation of reliable financial information, as required under the Companies Act, 2013.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal financial controls with reference to financial statements of the Company based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with the Guidance Note and the Standards on Auditing prescribed under Section 143(10) of the Companies Act, 2013, to the extent applicable to an audit of internal financial controls with reference to financial statements. Those Standards and the Guidance Note require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements was established and maintained and if such controls operated effectively in all material respects.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the adequacy of the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements and their operating effectiveness. Our audit of internal financial controls with reference to financial statements included obtaining an understanding of internal financial controls with reference to financial statements, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, and testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion on the Company's internal financial controls with reference to financial statements.

Meaning of Internal Financial Controls with reference to financial statements

A company's internal financial control with reference to financial statements is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal financial control with reference to financial statements includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorisations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding



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prevention or timely detection of unauthorised acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Inherent Limitations of Internal Financial Controls with reference to financial statements

Because of the inherent limitations of internal financial controls with reference to financial statements, including the possibility of collusion or improper management override of controls, material misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal financial controls with reference to financial statements to future periods are subject to the risk that the internal financial control with reference to financial statements may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

Opinion

In our opinion, to the best of our information and according to the explanations given to us, the Company has, in all material respects, an adequate internal financial controls with reference to financial statements and such internal financial controls with reference to financial statements were operating effectively as at March 31, 2024, based on the criteria for internal financial control with reference to financial statements established by the Company considering the essential components of internal control stated in the Guidance Note.

For **Deloitte Haskins & Sells LLP**

Chartered Accountants

(Firm's Registration No. 117366W/W-100018)



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Nilesh H. Lahoti
(Partner)

(Membership No. 130054)

(UDIN: 24130054BKFRKL2713)

Place: Gurugram
Date: May 14, 2024

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ANNEXURE B TO THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

(Referred to in paragraph 2 under 'Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements' section of our report of even date)

In terms of the information and explanations sought by us and given by the Company and the books of account and records examined by us in the normal course of audit and to the best of our knowledge and belief, we state that:

- (i) In respect of Property, Plant and Equipment and Intangible Assets:-
- (a) A. The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars, including quantitative details and situation of Property, Plant and Equipment, capital work-in-progress and relevant details of right of use assets except in the case of certain Plant and Machinery which is relocated for various network requirements and Company is in the process of updating the records for situation of these assets.
- B. The Company has maintained proper records showing full particulars of intangible assets.
- (b) The Company, except for customer premises equipment, optic fiber cables and bandwidth which due to their nature or location are not verifiable, has a program of verification of property, plant and equipment, capital work in-progress, and right-of-use assets so to cover all the items once every 3 years which, in our opinion, is reasonable having regard to the size of the Company and the nature of its assets. Pursuant to the program, certain Property, Plant and Equipment, capital work-in progress and right of use assets (based on underlying agreements/other relevant documents and refer sub-clause (c) below) were due for verification during the year and were physically verified by the Management during the year. According to the information and explanations given to us, no material discrepancies were noticed on such verification.
- (c) With respect to immovable properties (other than properties where the Company is the lessee and the lease agreements are duly executed in favour of the Company) disclosed in the Financial Statements included in property, plant and equipment and according to the information and explanations given to us and based on the examination of the property tax receipts and utility bills for self-constructed buildings, registered sale deed / transfer deed / conveyance deed provided to us, we report that, the title deeds of such immovable properties are held in the name of the Company as at the balance sheet date.
- (d) The Company has not revalued any of its property, plant and equipment, right of use assets and intangible assets during the year.
- (e) According to the information and explanations given to us, no proceedings have been initiated during the year or are pending against the Company as at March 31, 2024 for holding any benami property under the Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 1988 (as amended in 2016) and rules made thereunder.
- (ii) In respect of Inventory:
- (a) The Company does not have any inventory and hence reporting under clause 3 (ii) of the order is not applicable to the Company.
- (b) According to the information and explanations given to us, at any point of time of the year, the Company has not been sanctioned any working capital facility from banks or financial institutions on the basis of security of current assets, and hence reporting under clause (ii)(b) of the Order is not applicable.



- (iii) The Company has not made any investments in, provided any guarantee or security, and granted any loans or advances in the nature of loans, secured or unsecured, to companies, firms, Limited Liability Partnerships or any other parties during the year, and hence reporting under clause (iii) of the Order is not applicable.
- (iv) The Company has not granted any loans, made investment or provided guarantees or securities and hence reporting under clause (iv) of the Order is not applicable.
- (v) The Company has not accepted any deposit or amounts which are deemed to be deposits. Hence, reporting under clause (v) of the Order is not applicable.
- (vi) The maintenance of cost records has been specified by the Central Government under section 148(1) of the Companies Act, 2013. We have broadly reviewed the books of account maintained by the Company pursuant to the Companies (Cost Records and Audit) Rules, 2014, as amended, prescribed by the Central Government for maintenance of cost records under Section 148(1) of the Companies Act, 2013, and are of the opinion that, prima facie, the prescribed cost records have been made and maintained by the Company. We have, however, not made a detailed examination of the cost records with a view to determine whether they are accurate or complete.
- (vii) In respect of statutory dues:
- (a) Undisputed statutory dues, including Goods and Service tax, Provident Fund, Employees' State Insurance, Income-tax, Duty of custom, cess and other material statutory dues applicable to the Company have been regularly deposited by it with the appropriate authorities in all cases during the year. Sales tax, service tax, value added tax and duties of excise is not applicable on the Company.

There were no undisputed amounts payable in respect of Goods and Service tax, Provident Fund, Employees' State Insurance, Income-tax, Duty of custom, cess and other material statutory dues in arrears as at March 31, 2024 for a period of more than six months from the date they became payable.

- (b) Details of statutory dues referred to in sub-clause (a) above which have not been deposited as on March 31, 2024 on account of disputes are given below:

Name of Statue	Nature of dues	Amount Disputed (In Rs Mn)	Period to which the Amount Relates	Forum where dispute is pending
Custom Act, 1962	Custom Act	182	2001-2005	Supreme Court
Sub Total (A)		182		
Finance Act, 1994 (Service tax)	Service Tax	693	2004-2023	High Court
Finance Act, 1994 (Service tax)	Service Tax	15	2008-2013	Tribunal
Finance Act, 1994 (Service tax)	Service Tax	191	2016-2017	Assessing Officer
Sub Total (B)		899		
The Rajasthan Value Added Tax Act, 2003	Value Added Tax	227	2006-10	Supreme Court
Sub Total (C)		227		



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Name of Statute	Nature of dues	Amount Disputed (In Rs Mn)	Period to which the Amount Relates	Forum where dispute is pending
Goods and Service Tax Act, 2017	Assam GST	2	2017	1 st Appellate Authority
Goods and Service Tax Act, 2017	Nagaland GST	10	2017	1 st Appellate Authority
Goods and Service Tax Act, 2017	Rajasthan GST	6	2017-19	1 st Appellate Authority
Goods and Service Tax Act, 2017	Tripura GST	5	2017-18	Assessing Officer
Sub Total (D)		23		
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax	75	FY 2003-04 to 2011-12	Supreme Court
Income Tax Act, 1961	Income Tax	16	FY 2015-16 to FY 2018-19	Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT)
Sub Total (E)		91		
Grand Total (A+B+C+D+E)		1,422		

The above-mentioned figures represent the total disputed cases without any assessment of probable, possible and remote, as done in case of contingent liabilities. Of the above cases, total amount paid under protest in respect of duties of custom, service tax, GST and income tax is Rs. 91 million, Rs. 38 million, Rs. 6 million and Rs. 28 million respectively.

- (viii) There were no transactions relating to previously unrecorded income that were surrendered or disclosed as income in the tax assessments under the Income Tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961) during the year.
- (ix) In respect of loans and borrowings:
- In our opinion, the Company has not defaulted in the repayment of loans or other borrowings or in the payment of interest thereon to any lender during the year.
 - The Company has not been declared willful defaulter by any bank or financial institution or government or any government authority.
 - The Company has not taken any term loan during the year and there are no unutilised term loans at the beginning of the year and hence, reporting under clause (ix)(c) of the Order is not applicable.
 - On an overall examination of the financial statements of the Company, funds raised on short-term basis have, prima facie, not been used during the year for long-term purposes by the Company. Refer Note 15 to the financial statements.
 - The Company did not have any subsidiaries or associates or joint ventures during the year, hence reporting under clause (ix)(e) and (ix)(f) are not applicable.



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- (x) In respect of issue of securities:
- (a) The Company has not raised moneys by way of initial public offer or further public offer (including debt instruments) during the year and hence reporting under clause (x)(a) of the Order is not applicable.
 - (b) During the year, the Company has not made any preferential allotment or private placement of shares or convertible debentures (fully or partly or optionally) and hence reporting under clause (x)(b) of the Order is not applicable to the Company.
- (xi) In respect of Fraud:
- (a) To the best of our knowledge, no fraud by the Company and no material fraud on the Company has been noticed or reported during the year.
 - (b) To the best of our knowledge, no report under sub-section (12) of section 143 of the Companies Act has been filed in Form ADT-4 as prescribed under rule 13 of Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 with the Central Government, during the year and upto the date of this report.
 - (c) We have taken into consideration the whistle blower complaints received by the Company during the year (and upto the date of this report) and provided to us, when performing our audit.
- (xii) The Company is not a Nidhi Company and hence reporting under clause (xii) of the Order is not applicable.
- (xiii) In our opinion, the Company is in compliance with Section 177 and 188 of the Companies Act, where applicable, for all transactions with the related parties and the details of related party transactions have been disclosed in the financial statements etc. as required by the applicable accounting standards.
- (xiv) In respect of internal audit:
- (a) In our opinion the Company has an adequate internal audit system commensurate with the size and the nature of its business.
 - (b) We have considered, the internal audit reports issued to the Company during the year and covering the period upto March 31, 2024.
- (xv) In our opinion during the year, the Company has not entered into any non-cash transactions with any of its directors or directors of its holding company, subsidiary company, associate company or persons connected with such directors and hence provisions of section 192 of the Companies Act, 2013 are not applicable to the Company.
- (xvi) (a) The Company is not required to be registered under section 45-IA of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934. Hence, reporting under clause (xvi)(a), (b) and (c) of the Order is not applicable.
- (b) During the year ended March 31, 2024, the Group does not have more than one CIC as part of the group. Subsequent to the year ended March 31, 2024, one of the group companies has been additionally classified as CIC.
- (xvii) The Company has not incurred cash losses during the financial year covered by our audit and the immediately preceding financial year.



- (xviii) There has been no resignation of the statutory auditors of the Company during the year.
- (xix) On the basis of the financial ratios, ageing and expected dates of realization of financial assets and payment of financial liabilities, other information accompanying the financial statements and our knowledge of the Board of Directors and Management plans and based on our examination of the evidence supporting the assumptions, nothing has come to our attention, which causes us to believe that any material uncertainty exists as on the date of the audit report indicating that Company is not capable of meeting its liabilities existing at the date of balance sheet as and when they fall due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date. We further state that our reporting is based on the facts up to the date of the audit report and we neither give any guarantee nor any assurance that all liabilities falling due within a period of one year from the balance sheet date, will get discharged by the Company as and when they fall due.
- (xx) The Company has losses on the basis of average of net profits /(losses) earned/incurred during the three immediately preceding financial years and hence, it is not required to spend any money under sub-section (5) of section 135 of the Act. Accordingly, reporting under clause (xx) of the Order is not applicable for the year.

For **Deloitte Haskins & Sells LLP**
Chartered Accountants
(Firm's Registration No. 117366W/W-100018)



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Nilesh H. Lahoti
(Partner)
(Membership No. 130054)
(UDIN: 24130054BKFRKL2713)

Place: Gurugram
Date: May 14, 2024

Ind AS Financial Statements

Bharti Hexacom Limited
Balance Sheet

(All amounts are in millions of Indian Rupee)

	Notes	As of	
		March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	5	53,444	40,708
Capital work-in-progress	5	1,969	4,563
Right-of-use assets	32	28,596	26,390
Intangible assets	6	54,110	44,643
Intangible assets under development	6	2,476	14,797
Financial assets			
- Investments	7	0	0
- Other financial assets	8	4,874	5,290
Income tax assets (net)		2,265	3,249
Deferred tax assets (net)	9	8,578	7,629
Other non-current assets	10	4,890	6,284
		161,202	153,553
Current assets			
Financial assets			
- Investments	7	2,376	10,460
- Trade receivables	11	4,446	1,489
- Cash and cash equivalents	12	398	555
- Other bank balances	13	345	332
- Other financial assets	8	10,514	9,119
Other current assets	10	5,893	7,021
		23,972	28,976
Total assets		185,174	182,529
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
Equity share capital	14	2,500	2,500
Other equity	14f	43,887	39,595
		46,387	42,095
Non-current liabilities			
Financial liabilities			
- Borrowings	15	27,924	47,299
- Lease liabilities		28,306	25,451
- Other financial liabilities	16	-	0
Deferred revenue	21	6,817	6,029
Provisions	17	228	234
		63,275	79,013
Current liabilities			
Financial liabilities			
- Borrowings	15	20,422	15,394
- Lease liabilities		4,394	3,892
- Trade payables	18		
-Total outstanding dues of micro enterprises and small enterprises		46	26
-Total outstanding dues of creditors other than micro enterprises and small enterprises		14,802	14,380
- Other financial liabilities	16	9,543	10,261
Deferred revenue	21	5,145	4,749
Provisions	17	11,968	11,032
Current tax liabilities (net)		7,785	624
Other current liabilities	19	1,407	1,063
		75,512	61,421
Total liabilities		138,787	140,434
Total equity and liabilities		185,174	182,529

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As per our report of even date

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Bharti Hexacom Limited
Statement of Profit and Loss

(All amounts are in millions of Indian Rupee; except per share data)

	Notes	For the year ended	
		March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Income			
Revenue from operations	21	70,888	65,790
Other income	21.1	2,487	1,402
		73,375	67,192
Expenses			
Network operating expenses	22	16,849	15,863
Access charges		7,461	9,833
License fee / Spectrum charges		6,520	6,329
Employee benefits expense	23	1,054	903
Sales and marketing expenses	24	3,692	3,067
Other expenses	25	1,700	1,938
		37,276	37,933
Profit before depreciation, amortisation, finance costs, tax and exceptional items		36,099	29,259
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	26	17,392	15,533
Finance costs	27	6,444	6,388
Profit before exceptional items and tax		12,263	7,338
Exceptional items (net)	28	3,030	-
Profit before tax		9,233	7,338
Tax expense			
Current tax	9	5,135	-
Deferred tax	9	(946)	1,846
		4,189	1,846
Profit for the year		5,044	5,492
Other comprehensive income:			
Items not to be reclassified to profit or loss:			
Re-measurement loss on defined benefit plans		(3)	(3)
Tax credit		1	1
Other comprehensive loss for the year		(2)	(2)
Total comprehensive income for the year		5,042	5,490
Earnings per share (Face value : Rs. 5 each)			
Basic and diluted earnings per share	29	10.09	10.98

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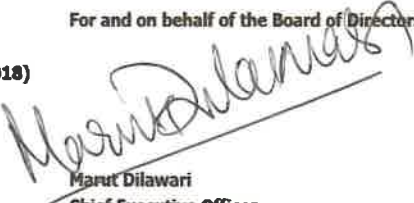
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Bharti Hexacom Limited
Statement of Changes in Equity
(All amounts are in millions of Indian Rupee; unless stated otherwise)

	Equity share capital		Other equity - Reserves and surplus						Total	Total equity
	No. of shares (in '000)	Amount	Securities premium	Retained earnings	General reserve	Capital reserve	Capital redemption reserve ('CRR')	Debt redemption reserve ('DRR')		
As of April 1, 2022	250,000	2,500	1,040	31,292	900	873	0	-	34,105	36,605
Profit for the year	-	-	-	5,492	-	-	-	-	5,492	5,492
Other comprehensive loss (net of tax)	-	-	-	(2)	-	-	-	-	(2)	(2)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	5,490	-	-	-	-	5,490	5,490
Debt redemption reserve created	-	-	-	(1,500)	-	-	-	1,500	-	-
As of March 31, 2023	250,000	2,500	1,040	35,282	900	873	0	1,500	39,595	42,095
Profit for the year	-	-	-	5,044	-	-	-	-	5,044	5,044
Other comprehensive loss (net of tax)	-	-	-	(2)	-	-	-	-	(2)	(2)
Total comprehensive income	-	-	-	5,042	-	-	-	-	5,042	5,042
Transfer from DRR to retained earnings	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	-	(1,500)	-	-
Debt redemption reserve created	-	-	-	(2,000)	-	-	-	2,000	-	-
Transfer from CRR to retained earnings	-	-	-	0	-	-	(0)	-	-	-
Dividend to shareholders	-	-	-	(750)	-	-	-	-	(750)	(750)
Impact of split of shares (Refer Note 4(iv))	250,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
As of March 31, 2024	500,000	2,500	1,040	39,074	900	873	-	2,000	43,887	46,387

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Bharti Hexacom Limited
Statement of Cash Flows

(All amounts are in millions of Indian Rupee)

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before tax	9,233	7,338
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	17,392	15,533
Finance costs	6,441	6,374
Exceptional items (net)	3,030	-
Interest income	(773)	(85)
Net gain on Fair value through profit and loss (FVTPL) instruments	(421)	(290)
Provision for doubtful debts / bad debts written off	18	397
Other non-cash items (net)	18	34
Operating cash flow before changes in assets and liabilities	34,938	29,301
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Trade receivables	(2,975)	19,075
Trade payables	33	(769)
Provisions	652	652
Other financial and non-financial liabilities	1,510	2,056
Other financial and non-financial assets	1,477	966
Net cash generated from operations before tax	35,635	51,281
Income tax paid - (net)	(174)	(197)
Net cash generated from operating activities (a)	35,461	51,084
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment and capital-work-in-progress	(20,583)	(9,448)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	106	57
Proceeds from/ (purchase of) current investments (net)	8,505	(9,680)
Payment towards Spectrum (including deferred payment liability)*	(352)	(1,321)
Interest received	773	83
Net cash used in investing activities (b)	(11,551)	(20,309)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayment of long term borrowings	(15,000)	(24,400)
Repayment of short-term borrowings (net)	-	(28)
Interest and other finance charges paid*	(5,356)	(3,855)
Payment of lease liabilities	(2,930)	(2,831)
Dividend paid	(750)	-
Net cash used in financing activities (c)	(24,036)	(31,114)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents during the year (a+b+c)	(126)	(339)
Add : Cash and cash equivalents as at the beginning of the year	524	863
Cash and cash equivalents as at the end of the year	398	524

*Cash flows towards spectrum acquisitions are based on timing of payouts to Department of Telecommunications ('DoT') (viz upfront/deferred-refer note 4(iv)).

#includes interest towards payment of deferred liabilities pertaining to spectrum acquired in auction of year 2022.

The above Statement of Cash Flows has been prepared under the "indirect method" as set out in Ind AS 7 "Statement of Cash Flows".

Refer Note 33(1)(v) for the disclosure pursuant to Ind AS 7 "Statement of Cash Flows" - Changes in liabilities arising from financing activities.

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1. Corporate information

Bharti Hexacom Limited ('the Company' or 'BHL') (CIN: L74899DL1995PLC067527) is domiciled and incorporated in India as a public limited company listed on the National Stock Exchange of India Limited and the BSE Limited. The registered office of the Company is situated at Bharti Crescent, 1, Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj, Phase – II, New Delhi – 110070.

The company is a subsidiary of Bharti Airtel Limited ('the parent'), a company registered in India. The registered address of the parent is Airtel Center, Plot no. 16, Udyog Vihar, Phase – IV, Gurugram – 122015, Haryana, India.

The Company is providing telecom services in Rajasthan and North East telecom circles in terms of Unified License (with Access Service Authorization) granted by the Department of Telecommunications ('DoT'), Government of India ('GoI'). The details as to the services provided by the Company are further provided in Note 21.

2. Summary of material accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation

These Financial Statements have been prepared to comply in all material respects with the Indian Accounting Standards ('Ind AS') as notified by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs ('MCA') under section 133 of the Companies Act, 2013 ('Act'), read together with Rule 3 of the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules, 2015 (as amended from time to time) and other accounting principles generally accepted in India.

These Financial Statements are approved for issue by the Company's Board of Directors on May 14, 2024.

The Financial Statements are based on the classification provisions contained in Ind AS 1, 'Presentation of Financial Statements' and division II of schedule III (as amended) to the Act. Further, for the purpose of clarity, various items are aggregated in the Balance Sheet, Statement of Profit and Loss, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and accompanying notes. Nonetheless, these items are disaggregated separately in the notes to the Financial Statements, where applicable or required.

All the amounts included in the Financial Statements are reported in millions of Indian Rupee ('Rupee' or 'Rs.') and are rounded to the nearest million, except per share data and unless stated otherwise. Further, due to rounding off, certain amounts are appearing as '0'

The preparation of the said Financial Statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and judgements. It also requires the management to exercise judgement in the process of applying the



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Company's accounting policies. The areas where estimates are significant to the Financial Statements, or areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, are disclosed in note 3.

The accounting policies, as set out in the following paragraphs of this note, have been consistently applied, by the Company, to all the periods presented in the said Financial Statements, except in case of adoption of any new standards and/ or amendments during the year.

New amendments adopted during the year

Amendments to Ind AS

MCA vide notification no. G.S.R. 242(E) dated March 31, 2023 has issued the Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Amendment Rules, 2023 which amends following Ind AS (as applicable to the Company):

- Ind AS 102, Share-based Payments
- Ind AS 103, Business Combinations
- Ind AS 107, Financial Instruments: Disclosures
- Ind AS 109, Financial Instruments
- Ind AS 115, Revenue from Contracts with Customers
- Ind AS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements
- Ind AS 12, Income Taxes
- Ind AS 8, Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors
- Ind AS 34, Interim Financial Reporting

The amendments are applicable for annual periods beginning on or after April 1, 2023, however these do not have material impact on the financial statement of the Company.

Amendments to Ind AS issued but not yet effective

Ministry of Corporate Affairs ("MCA") notifies new standards or amendments to the existing standards under Companies (Indian Accounting Standards) Rules as issued from time to time. For the year ended March 31, 2024, MCA has not notified any new standards or amendments to the existing standards applicable to the Company.

2.2 Basis of measurement

The Financial Statements have been prepared on the accrual and going concern basis, and the historical cost convention except where the Ind AS requires a different accounting treatment. The principal variations from the historical cost convention relate to financial instruments classified as fair value through profit or loss ('FVTPL') (refer note 2.8) which are measured at fair value.



Fair value measurement

Fair value is the price at the measurement date, at which an asset can be sold or a liability can be transferred, in an orderly transaction between market participants. The Company's accounting policies require, measurement of certain financial instruments at fair values (either on a recurring or non-recurring basis).

The Company is required to classify the fair valuation method of the financial / non-financial assets and liabilities, either measured or disclosed at fair value in the Financial Statements, using a three level fair-value-hierarchy (which reflects the significance of inputs used in the measurement). Accordingly, the Company uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data is available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

The three levels of the fair-value-hierarchy are described below:

Level 1: Quoted (unadjusted) prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets

Level 2: Significant inputs to the fair value measurement are directly or indirectly observable

Level 3: Significant inputs to the fair value measurement are unobservable

2.3 Foreign currency transactions

a. Functional and presentation currency

The Financial Statements are presented in Indian Rupee which is the functional and presentation currency of the Company.

b. Transactions and balances

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded in the relevant functional currency at the exchange rate prevailing at the date of the transaction.

Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency at the closing exchange rate prevailing as at the reporting date with the resulting foreign exchange differences, on subsequent re-statement / settlement, recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rate prevalent, at the date of initial recognition (in case they are measured at historical cost) or at the date when the fair value is determined (in case they are measured at fair value) – the resulting foreign exchange difference, on subsequent re-statement / settlement, recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in the other comprehensive income ('OCI') or directly in equity.



2.4 Current versus non-current classification

The Company presents assets and liabilities in the Balance Sheet based on current / non-current classification.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities, and all assets and liabilities which are not current (as discussed in the below paragraphs) are classified as non-current assets and liabilities.

An asset is classified as current when it is expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in normal operating cycle, held primarily for the purpose of trading, expected to be realised within twelve months after the reporting period, or cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

A liability is classified as current when it is expected to be settled in normal operating cycle, it is held primarily for the purpose of trading, it is due to be settled within twelve months after the reporting period, or there is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

2.5 Property, plant and equipment ('PPE')

An item is recognised as an asset, if and only if, it is probable that the future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Company and its cost can be measured reliably. PPE are initially recognised at cost. The initial cost of PPE comprises its purchase price (including non-refundable duties and taxes but excluding any trade discounts and rebates), asset retirement obligations ('ARO') and any directly attributable cost of bringing the asset to its working condition and location for its intended use. Further, it includes assets installed on the premises of customers as the associated risks, rewards and control remain with the Company.

Subsequent to initial recognition, PPE are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses, if any. When significant parts of PPE are required to be replaced at regular intervals, the Company recognises such parts as separate component of assets. When an item of PPE is replaced, then its carrying amount is de-recognised from the Balance Sheet and cost of the new item of PPE is recognised. Further, in case the replaced part was not being depreciated separately, the cost of the replacement is used as an indication to determine the cost of the replaced part at the time it was acquired.

Cost of assets not ready for intended use, as on the Balance Sheet date, is shown as capital work-in-progress ('CWIP'), advances given towards acquisition of PPE outstanding at each Balance Sheet date are disclosed under other non-current assets.

The expenditures that are incurred after the item of PPE has been available to use, such as repairs and maintenance, are normally charged to the Statement of Profit and Loss in the period in which such costs are



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incurred. However, in situations where the said expenditure can be measured reliably, and is probable that future economic benefits associated with it will flow to the Company, it is included in the asset's carrying value or as a separate asset, as appropriate.

Depreciation on PPE is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives. The management basis its past experience and technical assessment has estimated the useful life, which is at variance with the life prescribed in Part C of Schedule II of the Act and has accordingly, depreciated the assets over such useful life.

The Company has established the estimated range of useful lives for different categories of PPE as follows:

Categories	Years
Buildings	20
Building on leased land	Lease term or 20 years, whichever is less
Leasehold improvements	Lease term or 20 years, whichever is less
Plant and equipment	
- Network equipment (including passive infrastructure)	3 – 25
- Customer premise equipment	3 – 5
Computers / servers	3 – 5
Furniture & fixtures and office equipments	2 – 5
Vehicles	3 – 5

The useful lives, residual values and depreciation method of PPE are reviewed, and adjusted appropriately, at least as at each financial year end so as to ensure that the method and period of depreciation are consistent with the expected pattern of economic benefits from these assets. The effect of any change in the estimated useful lives, residual values and / or depreciation method are accounted prospectively, and accordingly the depreciation is calculated over the PPE's remaining revised useful life. The cost and the accumulated depreciation for PPE sold, scrapped, retired or otherwise disposed off are de-recognised from the Balance Sheet and the resulting gains / losses are included in the Statement of Profit and Loss within other income / other expenses.

2.6 Intangible assets

Intangible assets are recognised when the Company controls the asset, it is probable that future economic benefits attributed to the asset will flow to the Company and the cost of the asset can be measured reliably. The intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. Those assets having finite useful life are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses, if any. Amortisation is computed using the straight-line method over the expected useful life of intangible assets.



The Company has established the estimated useful lives of different categories of intangible assets as follows:

a. Software

Software is amortised over the period of license, generally not exceeding five years.

b. Licenses (including spectrum)

Acquired licenses and spectrum are amortised commencing from the date when the related network is available for intended use in the relevant jurisdiction. The useful lives ranges upto twenty years.

The revenue-share based fee on licenses / spectrum is charged to the Statement of Profit and Loss in the period such cost is incurred.

c. Other acquired intangible assets

The useful lives and amortisation method are reviewed, and adjusted appropriately, at-least at each financial year end so as to ensure that the method and period of amortisation are consistent with the expected pattern of economic benefits from these assets. The effect of any change in the estimated useful lives and / or amortisation method is accounted for prospectively, and accordingly the amortisation is calculated over the remaining revised useful life.

Further, the cost of intangible assets under development ('IAUD') includes the following:

- (a) the amount of spectrum allotted to the Company and related costs (including borrowing costs) that are directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of qualifying assets (refer note 6), if any, for which services are yet to be rolled out and are presented separately in the Balance Sheet.

Gains or losses arising from derecognition of an intangible asset are measured as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss when the asset is derecognised.

2.7 Impairment of non-financial assets

PPE, right-of-use assets ('ROU), intangible assets and IAUD

PPE (including CWIP), ROU and intangible assets with definite lives, are reviewed for impairment, whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that their carrying values may not be recoverable. IAUD is tested for impairment, at least annually and whenever circumstances indicate that it may be impaired.



For the purpose of impairment testing, the recoverable amount (that is, higher of the fair value less costs to sell and the value in use) is determined on an individual asset basis, unless the asset does not generate cash flows that are largely independent of those from other assets, in which case the recoverable amount is determined at the cash-generating-unit ('CGU') level to which the said asset belongs. If such individual assets or CGU are considered to be impaired, the impairment to be recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss is measured by the amount by which the carrying value of the asset / CGU exceeds their estimated recoverable amount and allocated on pro rata basis.

A CGU is the smallest identifiable group of assets that generates cash inflows that are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or group of assets.

Reversal of impairment losses

Impairment losses are reversed in Statement of Profit and Loss and the carrying value is increased to its revised recoverable amount provided that this amount does not exceed the carrying value that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognised for the said asset / CGU previously.

2.8 Financial instruments

a. Recognition, classification and presentation

The financial instruments are recognised in the Balance Sheet when the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

The Company determines the classification of its financial instruments at initial recognition.

The Company classifies its financial assets in the following categories: a) those to be measured subsequently at fair value through profit or loss, and b) those to be measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows.

The Company measures all the non-derivative financial liabilities at amortised cost.

Financial assets and liabilities arising from different transactions are off-set against each other and the resultant net amount is presented in the Balance Sheet, if and only when, the Company currently has a legally enforceable right to set-off the related recognised amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.



b. Measurement – Non derivative financial instruments

I. Initial measurement

All financial assets are recognised initially at fair value plus, in the case of financial assets not recorded at FVTPL, transaction costs that are attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. However, trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component are measured at transaction price. All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value, in the case of loans and borrowings and payables, net of directly attributable transaction costs. Other transaction costs are expensed as incurred in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

The transaction price is generally the best evidence of the financial instrument's initial fair value. However, it is possible for an entity to determine that the instrument's fair value is not the transaction price. The difference between the transaction amount and the fair value (if any) is accounted for as follows:

- The difference is recognised as a gain or loss in the statement of Profit and Loss only if fair value is evidenced by a quoted price in an active market for an identical asset or liability (that is, a Level 1 input) or based on a valuation technique that uses only data from observable markets.
- In all other cases, an entity recognises the instrument at fair value and defers the difference between the fair value at initial recognition and the transaction price in the statement of financial position.

II. Subsequent measurement - financial assets

The subsequent measurement of the non-derivative financial assets depends on their classification as follows:

i. Financial assets measured at amortised cost

Assets that are held for collection of contractual cash flows where those cash flows represent solely payments of principal and interest are measured at amortised cost using the effective-interest rate ('EIR') method (if the impact of discounting / any transaction costs is significant). Interest income from these financial assets is included in other income.

ii. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss ('FVTPL')

All financial assets that do not meet the criteria for amortised cost are measured at FVTPL. Interest (basis EIR method) from financial assets at FVTPL is recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss within other income separately from the other gains/ losses arising from changes in the fair value.



Impairment

The Company assesses on a forward looking basis the expected credit losses ('ECL') associated with its assets carried at amortised cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition. If credit risk has not increased significantly, twelve months, ECL is used to provide for impairment loss, otherwise lifetime ECL is used.

However, only in case of trade receivables, the company applies the simplified approach which requires expected lifetime losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables.

III. Subsequent measurement - financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the EIR method (if the impact of discounting / any transaction costs is significant).

c. Derecognition

The financial liabilities are de-recognised from the Balance Sheet when the under-lying obligations are extinguished, discharged, lapsed, cancelled, expires or legally released. The financial assets are de-recognised from the Balance Sheet when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired, or have been transferred and the Company has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. The difference in the carrying amount is recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

2.9 Leases

The Company, at the inception of a contract, assesses the contract is, or containing, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. To assess whether a contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset, the Company assesses whether the contract involves the use of an identified asset, the Company has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the asset throughout the period of use; and the Company has the right to direct the use of the asset.

Company as a lessee

The Company recognises a ROU and a corresponding lease liability with respect to all lease agreements in which it is the lessee in the Balance Sheet. The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at the commencement date, discounted using the incremental borrowing rate (as the rate implicit in the lease cannot be readily determined). Lease liabilities include the net present value of fixed payments (including any in-substance fixed payments) and payments of penalties for terminating the lease, if the lease term reflects the lessee exercising that option.



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Subsequently, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. It is remeasured when there is a change in future lease payments including or when the lease contract is modified and the lease modification is not accounted for as a separate lease. The corresponding adjustment is made to the carrying amount of the ROU, or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the related ROU has been reduced to zero and there is a further reduction in the measurement of the lease liability.

ROU are measured at cost comprising the amount of the initial measurement of lease liability, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date and any initial direct costs less any lease incentives received.

Subsequent to initial recognition, ROU are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses and adjusted for certain remeasurements of the lease liability. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method from the commencement date to the end of the useful life of the underlying asset or the end of the lease term, whichever is shorter. The estimated useful lives of ROU are determined on the same basis as those of the underlying asset.

In the Balance Sheet, the ROU and lease liabilities are presented separately. In the Statement of Profit and Loss, interest expense on lease liabilities are presented separately from the depreciation charge for the ROU. Interest expense on the lease liability is a component of finance costs, which are presented separately in the Statement of Profit and Loss. In the Statement of Cash Flows, cash payments for the principal portion of lease payments and the interest portion of lease liability are presented as financing activities.

When a contract includes lease and non-lease components, the Company allocates the consideration in the contract on the basis of the relative stand-alone prices of each lease component and the aggregate stand-alone price of the non-lease components.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The Company has elected not to recognise ROU and lease liabilities for short term leases that have a lease term of twelve months or less and leases of low value assets. The Company recognises lease payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Company as a lessor

Whenever the terms of the lease transfer substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee, the contract is classified as a finance lease. All other leases are classified as operating leases.

Amounts due from lessees under a finance lease are recognised as receivables at an amount equal to the net investment in the leased assets. Finance lease income is allocated to the periods so as to reflect a constant periodic rate of return on the net investment outstanding in respect of the finance lease.



Rental income from operating leases is recognised on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised on a straight line basis over the lease term.

When a contract includes lease and non-lease components, the Company applies Ind AS 115 'Revenue from Contracts with Customers' to allocate the consideration under the contract to each component.

The Company enters into 'Indefeasible right to use' ('IRU') arrangements wherein the right to use the assets is given over the substantial part of the asset life. However, as the title to the assets and the significant risks associated with the operation and maintenance of these assets remains with the Company, such arrangements are recognised as operating lease. The contracted price is recognised as revenue during the tenure of the agreement. Unearned IRU revenue received in advance is presented as deferred revenue within liabilities in the Balance Sheet.

2.10 Taxes

The income tax expense comprises of current and deferred income tax. Income tax is recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised in the OCI or directly in equity, in which case the related income tax is also recognised accordingly.

a. Current tax

The current tax is calculated on the basis of the tax rates, laws and regulations, which have been enacted or substantively enacted as at the reporting date. The payment made in excess / (shortfall) of the Company's income tax obligation for the period are recognised in the Balance Sheet under assets as income tax assets / under current liabilities as current tax liabilities.

Any interest, related to accrued liabilities for potential tax assessments are not included in income tax charge or (credit), but are rather recognised within finance costs.

The Company periodically evaluates positions taken in the tax returns with respect to situations in which applicable tax regulations are subject to interpretation. The Company considers whether it is probable that a taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment. If the Company concludes it is probable that the taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, it determines the taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits or tax rates consistently with the tax treatment used or planned to be used in its income tax filings. If the Company concludes it is not probable that the taxation authority will accept an uncertain tax treatment, the entity reflects the effect of uncertainty in determining the related taxable profit (tax loss), tax bases, unused tax losses, unused tax credits or tax rates.

Current tax assets and tax liabilities are offset where the entity has a legally enforceable right to offset and intends either to settle on a net basis, or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.



b. Deferred tax

Deferred tax is recognised on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying values in the Financial Statements. Deferred tax is also recognised in respect of carried forward tax losses and tax credits. Deferred tax assets/ liabilities recognised for temporary differences arising from a business combination, affect the amount of goodwill or the bargain purchase gain that the Company recognises. However, deferred tax liabilities are not recognised if they arise from the initial recognition of goodwill. Deferred tax is not recognised if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss.

The measurement of deferred tax liabilities and assets reflects the tax consequences that would follow from the manner in which the Company expects, at the end of the reporting period, to recover or settle the carrying amount of its assets and liabilities.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised. The Company considers the projected future taxable income and tax planning strategies in making this assessment.

The unrecognised deferred tax assets / carrying amount of deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date for recoverability and adjusted appropriately.

Deferred tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date and are expected to apply when the asset is realised or the liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are off-set where there is a legally enforceable right to enforceable right to offset current tax assets and liabilities and where the deferred tax balances relate to the same taxation authority.

2.11 Cash and cash equivalents ('C&CE')

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, bank balances and any deposits with original maturities of three months or less (that are readily convertible to known amounts of C&CE and subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value). However, for the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows, in addition to above items, any bank overdrafts / cash credits that are integral part of the Company's cash management, are also included as a component of C&CE.



2.12 Equity share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as Equity when the Company has an un-conditional right to avoid delivery of cash or another financial asset, that is, when the dividend and repayment of capital are at the sole and absolute discretion of the Company and there is no contractual obligation whatsoever to that effect.

2.13 Employee benefits

The Company's employee benefits mainly include wages, salaries, bonuses, defined contribution plans, defined benefit plans, compensated absences and deferred compensation. The employee benefits are recognised in the year in which the associated services are rendered by the Company employees. Short-term employee benefits are recognised in Statement of Profit and Loss at undiscounted amounts during the period in which the related services are rendered.

a. Defined contribution plans

The contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised in profit or loss as and when the services are rendered by employees. The Company has no further obligations under these plans beyond its periodic contributions.

b. Defined benefit plans

In accordance with the local laws and regulations, all the employees in India are entitled for the Gratuity plan. The said plan requires a lump-sum payment to eligible employees (meeting the required vesting service condition) at retirement or termination of employment, based on a pre-defined formula.

The Company provides for the liability towards the said plans on the basis of actuarial valuation carried as at the reporting date, by an independent qualified actuary using the projected-unit-credit method.

The obligation towards the said benefits is recognised in the Balance Sheet, at the present value of the defined benefit obligations. The present value of the said obligation is determined by discounting the estimated future cash outflows, using interest rates of government bonds.

The interest expense is calculated by applying the above mentioned discount rate to defined benefits obligations. The interest expenses on the defined benefits obligations are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss. However, the related re-measurements of the defined benefits obligations are recognised directly in the OCI in the period in which they arise. The said re-measurements comprise of actuarial gains and losses (arising from experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions). Re-measurements are not re-classified to the Statement of Profit and Loss in any of the subsequent periods.



c. Other long-term employee benefits

The employees of the Company are entitled to compensated absences as well as other long-term benefits. Compensated absences benefits comprises of encashment and availment of leave balances that were earned by the employees over the period of past employment.

The Company provides for the liability towards the said benefits on the basis of actuarial valuation carried as at the reporting date, by an independent qualified actuary using the projected-unit-credit method. The related re-measurements are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss in the period in which they arise.

2.14 Provisions

a. General

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present obligation (legal or constructive) as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the said obligation, and the amounts of the said obligation can be reliably estimated.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to settle the relevant obligation (if the impact of discounting is significant), using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation. The increase in the provision due to unwinding of interest over passage of time is recognised within finance costs.

2.15 Contingencies

A disclosure for a contingent liability is made when there is are possible obligation or a present obligation that may, but probably will not, require an outflow of resources. When there is a possible obligation or a present obligation in respect of which the likelihood of outflow of resources is remote, no provision or disclosure is made. Contingent assets are not recognised and are disclosed only where an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

2.16 Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised upon transfer of control of promised products or services to the customer at the consideration which the Company has received or expects to receive in exchange of those products or services, net of any taxes / duties, discounts and process waivers. When determining the consideration to which the Company is entitled for providing promised products or services via intermediaries, the Company assesses whether it is primarily responsible for fulfilling the performance obligation and whether it controls the promised service before transfer to customers. To the extent that the intermediary is considered a principal, the consideration to which the Company is entitled is determined to be that received from the intermediary.



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Revenue is recognised when, or as, each distinct performance obligation is satisfied. The main categories of revenue and the basis of recognition are as follows:

a. Service revenues

Service revenues mainly pertain to usage, subscription and customer onboarding charges for voice, data, messaging and other value added services. It also includes revenue from interconnection / roaming charges for usage of the Company's network by other operators for voice, data, messaging and signaling services.

Telecommunication services (comprising voice, data and SMS) are considered to represent a single performance obligation as all are provided over the Company's network and transmitted as data representing a digital signal on the network. The transmission consumes network bandwidth and therefore, irrespective of the nature of the communication, the customer ultimately receives access to the network and the right to consume network bandwidth.

The Company recognises revenue from these services as they are provided. Revenue is recognised based on actual units of telecommunication services provided during the reporting period as a proportion of the total units of telecommunication services to be provided. Subscription charges are recognised over the subscription pack validity period. Customer onboarding revenue is recognised upon successful onboarding of customer, over the expected average customer life / customer relationship period. Revenue in excess of invoicing are classified as unbilled revenue while invoicing / collection in excess of revenue are classified as deferred revenue / advance from customers.

Service revenues also includes revenue from interconnection / roaming charges for usage of the Company's network by other operators for voice, data, messaging and signaling services. These are recognised upon transfer of control of services over time.

Certain business services revenues include revenue from registration and installation, which are amortised over the period of agreement since the date of activation of service.

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b. Costs to obtain or fulfill a contract with a customer

The Company incurs certain costs to obtain or fulfill contracts with customers viz. intermediary commission, etc. The Company estimated that the average customer life derived from customer churn rate is longer than 12 months and hence the Company deferred such costs. Such costs are thus recognized over the average expected customer life.

c. Interest income

The interest income is recognised using the EIR method. For further details, (refer note 2.8).

2.17 Government grants

Grants from the government are recognised where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the company will comply with all attached conditions.

Government grants relating to income are deferred and recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss over the period necessary to match them with the costs that they are intended to compensate.

Government grants relating to the purchase of PPE are included in non-current liabilities as deferred income and are credited to Statement of Profit and Loss on a straight line basis over the expected lives of the related assets.

2.18 Borrowing costs

Borrowing costs consist of interest and other ancillary costs that the Company incurs in connection with the borrowing of funds. The borrowing costs directly attributable to the acquisition or construction of any asset that takes a substantial period of time to get ready for its intended use or sale are capitalised. All the other borrowing costs are recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss within finance costs in the period in which they are incurred.

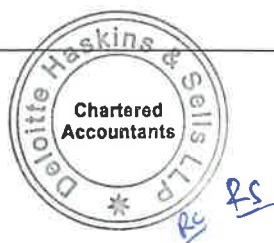
2.19 Exceptional items

Exceptional items refer to items of income or expense within the Statement of Profit and Loss from ordinary activities which are non-recurring and are of such size, nature or incidence that their separate disclosure is considered necessary to explain the performance of the Company.

2.20 Earnings per share ('EPS')

The Company presents the Basic and Diluted EPS.

Basic EPS is computed by dividing the profit for the year attributable to the shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the period.



Diluted EPS is computed by adjusting, the profit for the year attributable to the shareholders and the weighted average number of shares considered for deriving Basic EPS, for the effects of all the shares that could have been issued upon conversion of all dilutive potential shares. The dilutive potential shares are adjusted for the proceeds receivable had the shares been actually issued at fair value. Further, the dilutive potential shares are deemed converted as at beginning of the year, unless issued at a later date during the period.

2.21 Dividend paid

Dividend to shareholders is recognised as a liability on the date of approval by the shareholders. However, interim dividend is recorded as a liability on the date of declaration by the Company's Board of Directors.

3. Key sources of estimation uncertainties and critical judgements

The estimates and judgements used in the preparation of the said Financial Statements are continuously evaluated by the Company, and are based on historical experience and various other assumptions and factors (including expectations of future events), that the Company believes to be reasonable under the existing circumstances. The said estimates and judgements are based on the facts and events, that existed as at the reporting date, or that occurred after that date but provide additional evidence about conditions existing as at the reporting date.

Although the Company regularly assesses these estimates, actual results could differ materially from these estimates - even if the assumptions underlying such estimates were reasonable when made, if these results differ from historical experience or other assumptions do not turn out to be substantially accurate. The changes in estimates are recognised in the Financial Statements in the period in which they become known.

3.1 Key sources of estimation uncertainties

The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

a. Useful lives of PPE

As described at note 2.5 above, the Company reviews the estimated useful lives of PPE at the end of each reporting period. After considering market conditions, industry practice, technological developments and other factors, the Company determined that the current useful lives of its PPE remain appropriate. However, changes in economic conditions of the markets, competition and technology, among others, are unpredictable and they may significantly impact the useful lives of PPE and therefore the depreciation charges.



b. Taxes

Deferred tax assets are recognised for the unused tax losses for which there is probability of utilisation against the future taxable profit. Significant management judgement is required to determine the amount of deferred tax assets that can be recognised, based upon the likely timing and the level of future taxable profits, future tax planning strategies and recent business performances and developments.

c. Allowance for impairment of trade receivables

The expected credit loss is mainly based on the ageing of the receivable balances and historical experience. The receivables are assessed on an individual basis or grouped into homogeneous groups and assessed for impairment collectively, depending on their significance. Moreover, trade receivables are written off on a case-to-case basis if deemed not to be collectible on the assessment of the underlying facts and circumstances.

d. Contingent Liabilities and provisions

The Company is involved in various legal, tax and regulatory matters, the outcome of which may not be favourable to the Company. Management in consultation with the legal, tax and other advisers assess the likelihood that a pending claim will succeed. The Company has applied its judgement and has recognised liabilities based on whether additional amounts will be payable and has included contingent liabilities where economic outflows are considered possible but not probable.

3.2 Critical judgement's in applying the Company's accounting policies

a. Revenue recognition and presentation

The Company assesses its revenue arrangements in order to determine if it is acting as a principal or as an agent by determining whether it has primary obligation basis pricing latitude and exposure to credit / inventory risks associated with the sale of goods / rendering of services.

In the said assessment, both the legal form and substance of the agreement are reviewed to determine each party's role in the transaction.

b. Separating lease and non-lease components

The consideration paid by the Company in telecommunication towers lease contracts include the use of land and passive infrastructure as well as maintenance, security, provision of energy services etc. Therefore in determining the allocation of consideration between lease and non-lease components, for the additional services that are not separately priced, the Company performs analysis of cost split to arrive at relative stand-alone prices of each of the components. The bifurcation of the consideration paid (excluding energy) between lease versus non-lease component across the Company has been accordingly considered at 60% as lease component on an overall basis.



c. Determining the lease term

Under Ind AS 116 if it is reasonably certain that a lease will be extended / will not be early terminated, the Company is required to estimate the expected lease period which may be different from the contractual tenure. The Company has various tower lease agreements with a right to extend / renew / terminate wherein it considers the nature of the contractual terms and economic factors to determine the lease term. After assessing such factors, the lease liability has been calculated using the remaining lease period until which significant exit penalties are payable.

d. Determining the incremental borrowing rate for lease contracts

The initial recognition of lease liabilities at present value requires the identification of an appropriate discount rate. The Company has determined the incremental borrowing rate based on considerations specific to the leases by taking consideration of the risk free borrowing rates as adjusted for country / company specific risk premiums (basis the readily available data points).

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4. Significant transactions / new developments

- i. Pursuant to a resolution passed in extra-ordinary general meeting dated December 29, 2023, shareholders have approved the split of each equity share of face value of Rs. 10 into two equity shares of face value of Rs. 5 each. Accordingly, the issued, subscribed and paid-up capital of the Company was sub-divided from 250,000,000 equity shares of face value of Rs. 10 each to 500,000,000 equity shares of face value of Rs. 5 each.

The impact of split of shares has been retrospectively considered for the computation of EPS as per the requirement of Ind AS 33.

- ii. During the year ended March 31, 2024, the Company has redeemed 15,000 listed, unsecured, non-convertible debentures, of face value of Rs. 1 each aggregating to Rs. 15,000 with interest of Rs. 895 on January 19, 2024.
- iii. On October 16, 2023, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India pronounced a judgement regarding the tax treatment of adjusted revenue linked Variable License Fee ('VLF') payable to DOT since July 1999 and held that it is capital in nature and not revenue expenditure for the purpose of computation of taxable income. This decision does not alter the total amount of VLF allowed as deduction over the license period but creates a timing difference wherein later years would have a higher deduction. This has resulted in an additional tax provision of Rs. 1,054 million primarily due to change in effective tax rate on account of adoption of new tax regime. The interest charge of Rs. 2,977 million on the above matter has been presented as an exceptional item (refer note 28). The above financial assessment is based on the Company's best estimate.
- iv. During the year ended March 31, 2023, the Company participated in the spectrum auction conducted by the DoT, Government of India and acquired 1,804 MHz spectrum of 3.5 and 26 GHz bands and selective mid and low band spectrum. This entire spectrum bank was secured for a total consideration of Rs. 14,777 for 20 years. The said spectrum has been allocated by the DoT on August 17, 2022.

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5. Property, plant and equipment ('PPE')

The following table presents the reconciliation of changes in the carrying value of PPE for year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

	Leasehold improvements	Buildings	Plant and equipment	Furniture & fixtures	Vehicles	Office equipments	Computer and servers	Total
Gross carrying value								
As of April 1, 2022	89	156	99,285	79	3	243	346	100,201
Additions	0	-	10,989	3	-	13	110	11,115
Disposals / adjustment	(0)	-	(919)	-	-	(1)	(0)	(920)
As of March 31, 2023	89	156	109,355	82	3	255	456	110,396
As of April 1, 2023								
As of April 1, 2023	89	156	109,355	82	3	255	456	110,396
Additions	0	-	22,734	4	-	25	122	22,885
Disposals / adjustment	-	-	(9,877)	(1)	-	(14)	(6)	(9,898)
As of March 31, 2024	89	156	122,212	85	3	266	572	123,383
Accumulated depreciation								
As of April 1, 2022	65	103	61,126	66	2	179	238	61,802
Charge	0	7	8,598	3	-	17	72	8,697
Disposals / adjustment	-	-	(810)	-	-	(1)	-	(811)
As of March 31, 2023	65	110	68,917	69	2	195	310	69,688
As of April 1, 2023								
As of April 1, 2023	65	110	68,917	69	2	195	310	69,688
Charge	0	7	9,741	3	1	20	108	9,880
Disposals / adjustment	-	-	(9,606)	(1)	-	(14)	(6)	(9,629)
As of March 31, 2024	65	117	69,050	71	3	201	412	69,939
Net carrying value								
As of March 31, 2023	4	46	40,438	13	1	61	145	40,708
As of March 31, 2024	4	39	53,162	14	-	65	160	53,444



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The carrying value of the CWIP as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 is Rs 1,969 and Rs 4,563 respectively, which mainly pertains to plant and equipments.

CWIP Ageing Schedule

The following table presents the CWIP ageing schedule as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

March 31, 2024

	Amount in CWIP for a period of				Total
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	1,924	45	-	-	1,969

March 31, 2023

	Amount in CWIP for a period of				Total
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	4,535	28	-	-	4,563

6. Intangible assets

The following table presents the reconciliation of changes in the carrying value of intangible assets for the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

	Licenses (including spectrum)	Other acquired intangibles	Total
Gross carrying value			
As of April 1, 2022	68,325	45	68,370
Additions	559	-	559
Disposals / adjustment	-	(4)	(4)
As of March 31, 2023	68,884	41	68,925
As of April 1, 2023	68,884	41	68,925
Additions	13,119	-	13,119
Disposals / adjustment	-	-	-
As of March 31, 2024	82,003	41	82,044
Accumulated amortisation			
As of April 1, 2022	20,714	44	20,758
Amortisation	3,528	0	3,528
Disposals / adjustment	-	(4)	(4)
As of March 31, 2023	24,242	40	24,282
As of April 1, 2023	24,242	40	24,282
Amortisation	3,651	1	3,652
Disposals / adjustment	-	-	-
As of March 31, 2024	27,893	41	27,934
Net Carrying Amount			
As of March 31, 2023	44,642	1	44,643
As of March 31, 2024	54,110	-	54,110

Weighted average remaining amortisation period of spectrum license as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 is 13.81 and 12.96 years, respectively.



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The carrying value of IAUD as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 is Rs. 2,476 and Rs. 14,797 respectively, which mainly pertains to spectrum.

IAUD Ageing Schedule

March 31, 2024

	Amount in IAUD for a period of				Total
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	145	2,331	-	-	2,476

March 31, 2023

	Amount in IAUD for a period of				Total
	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
Projects in progress	14,797	-	-	-	14,797

The Company has capitalised borrowing cost of Rs. 799 and Rs. 580 during the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 respectively. The rate used to determine the amount of borrowing costs eligible for capitalisation is 7.2% for the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023.

7. Investments

Non-current

	As of			
	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	No. of units	Cost	No. of units	Cost
Government securities (NSC)	1	0	1	0
	1	0	1	0
Aggregate book / market value of unquoted investments		0		0

Current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Investments carried at FVTPL		
Mutual funds (quoted)	137	10,460
Investments carried at amortised cost		
Commercial papers (quoted)	2,239	-
	2,376	10,460
Aggregate book / market value of quoted investments	2,376	10,460



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8. Other financial assets

Non-current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Claims recoverable*	2,514	2,956
Indemnification assets^	1,930	1,930
Security deposits	430	404
	4,874	5,290

Current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Unbilled revenue (refer note 21)	440	354
Interest accrued on investments	9	8
Claims recoverable*	1,064	400
Indemnification assets^	8,953	8,289
Recoverable from related party (refer note 31)	17	49
Others	31	19
	10,514	9,119

* pertains to Universal Service Obligation Fund ('USOF') subsidy (refer note 21).

^pursuant to merger with Tata Teleservices Limited ('TTSL').

9. Income tax

The major components of Income Tax expense are:

Amounts recognised in Statement of Profit and Loss	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Current tax		
- For the year	1,271	-
- Adjustments for prior periods	3,864	-
	5,135	-
Deferred tax		
- Origination and reversal of temporary differences	1,864	1,846
- Adjustments for prior periods	(2,810)	-
	(946)	1,846
Income tax expense	4,189	1,846
Amounts recognised in OCI		
Deferred tax related to items charged to OCI during the year:		
-Re-measurement loss on defined benefit plans	(1)	(1)
Deferred Tax credited to OCI	(1)	(1)



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The reconciliation between the amount computed by applying the statutory income tax rate to the profit before tax and income tax expense is summarised below:

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Profit before tax	9,233	7,338
Tax charge @ 25.168%	2,324	1,847
Effect of:		
Adjustment in respect to current income tax of previous years	1,054	-
Recognition of previously unrecognised losses and deductible temporary differences	-	(1)
Expense not deductible (net)	812	-
Others	(1)	-
Income tax expense	4,189	1,846

The analysis of deferred tax assets / (liabilities) is as follows:

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Deferred tax asset / (liabilities)		
Trade receivables	536	500
Provision for employee benefits	20	18
Variable license fees	5,486	-
Fair valuation of financial instruments and exchange differences	(1)	(11)
Property, plant and equipments, intangible assets and leases	656	234
Government grants	977	722
Payables and non financial liability	904	806
Carry forward losses	-	5,360
Net deferred tax asset	8,578	7,629

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Deferred tax income / (expense)		
Trade receivables	36	23
Carry forward losses	(5,360)	(2,251)
Provision for employee benefits	2	1
Variable license fees	5,486	-
Fair valuation of financial instruments and exchange differences	10	(11)
Property, plant and equipments, intangible assets and leases	422	205
Government grants	255	192
Payables and non financial liability	98	(5)
Others	(3)	-
Net deferred tax income / (expense)	946	(1,846)



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The movement in deferred tax assets / (liabilities) during the year is as follows:

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Opening balance	7,629	9,474
Tax credit / (expense) recognised in Statement of profit or loss	946	(1,846)
Others	2	-
Tax credit recognised in OCI	1	1
Closing balance	8,578	7,629

Deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profit will be available in future against which the deductible temporary differences and carry forward tax losses / credits can be utilised.

Further, the company has not recognised deferred tax assets in respect of business combination losses and unabsorbed depreciation in relation to Tata Tele Services Limited amounting to INR 3,505 (March 31, 2023 INR 3,771) (including INR 1,919 (March 31, 2023 INR 1,919) towards unabsorbed depreciation) as of March 31, 2024 due to uncertainties of outcome of certain tax matters.

The expiry schedule of the above mentioned losses is as follows:

Expiry date	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Within five periods	1,586	1,852
Above five periods	-	-
Unlimited	1,919	1,919
	3,505	3,771

10. Other assets

Non-current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Advances (net)*	301	272
Cost to obtain a contract with a customer (refer note 21)	1,323	1,508
Capital advance	69	123
Taxes recoverable#	545	1,200
Prepaid expenses	2,591	3,094
Rent equalisation	40	66
Others	21	21
	4,890	6,284

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	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Taxes recoverable#	3,052	4,367
Advances to suppliers (net)**	251	232
Prepaid expenses	662	728
Cost to obtain a contract with a customer (refer note 21)	1,921	1,682
Others	7	12
	5,893	7,021

*Advances represent payments made to various Government authorities under protest and are disclosed net of provision.

#Taxes recoverable primarily include Goods & Services Tax ('GST') and customs duty.

**Advance to suppliers are disclosed net of allowance of Rs. 97 and Rs. 89 as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023, respectively.

11. Trade receivables

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Trade receivable considered good - unsecured*	6,285	3,128
Less: Allowances for doubtful receivables	(1,839)	(1,639)
	4,446	1,489

* It includes amount due from related parties (refer note 31)

Refer note 33 (1) (iv) for credit risk

Movement in allowances for doubtful receivables is as follows:

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Opening balance	1,639	1,580
Additions / (written back)	200	59
Closing balance	1,839	1,639

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Trade receivable

The following table presents the trade receivable ageing as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

March 31, 2024

Particulars	Not due	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment					Total
		Less than 6 months	6 months -1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i) Undisputed Trade receivables — considered good	2,197	2,270	75	73	64	1,156	5,835
(ii) Disputed Trade receivables — considered good	-	-	-	-	-	90	90
(iii) Disputed Trade receivables — credit impaired	-	-	-	-	-	360	360
Less: Allowance for doubtful receivables							(1,839)
Total Trade receivables							4,446

March 31, 2023

Particulars	Not due	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment					Total
		Less than 6 months	6 months -1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i) Undisputed Trade receivables — considered good	788	502	89	76	69	1,179	2,703
(ii) Disputed Trade receivables — considered good	-	-	-	-	-	65	65
(iii) Disputed Trade receivables — credit impaired	-	-	-	-	-	360	360
Less: Allowance for doubtful receivables							(1,639)
Total Trade receivables							1,489

12. Cash and cash equivalents ('C&CE')

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Balances with banks		
On current accounts	24	82
Bank deposits with original maturity of 3 months or less	374	473
Cash on hand	0	0
	398	555

13. Other bank balances

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Margin money*	354	340
Less :- Interest accrued (refer note 8)	9	8
	345	332

*Margin money represents amount given as collateral for legal cases and / or bank guarantees for disputed matter.

For the purpose of Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:-

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
C&CE as per balance sheet	398	555
Bank overdraft	-	(31)
	398	524



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14. Equity share capital

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Authorised shares		
500,000,000 equity shares of Rs 5 each (March 31, 2023- 250,000,000 equity shares of Rs 10 each) (Refer note 4(i))	2,500	2,500
520 (March 31, 2023 - 520) preference shares of Rs 100 each	0	0
	2,500	2,500
Issued, subscribed and fully paid-up shares		
500,000,000 equity shares of Rs 5 each (March 31, 2023- 250,000,000 equity shares of Rs 10 each) (Refer note 4 (i))	2,500	2,500
	2,500	2,500

a. Reconciliation of the equity shares outstanding at the beginning and at the end of the period

	For the year ended			
	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	No. of shares (in '000)	Amount	No. of shares (in '000)	Amount
At the beginning of the year	250,000	2,500	250,000	2,500
Issued on account of split off of shares during the year (Refer Note 4(i))	250,000	-	-	-
Outstanding at the end of the year	500,000	2,500	250,000	2,500

b. Rights, Preferences and restrictions attached to shares

The Company has only one class of equity shares having par value of Rs. 5 each. The holder of the equity share is entitled to dividend right and voting right in the same proportion as the capital paid-up on such equity share bears to the total paid-up equity share capital of the Company. In the event of liquidation of the Company, the holder of equity shares will be entitled to receive the remaining assets of the Company, after distribution of all preferential amounts, in proportion to the number of equity shares held by the shareholders.

c. Details of shareholders (as per the register of shareholders) holding more than 5% shares in the Company

	As of			
	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	No of shares (in '000)*	% holding	No of shares (in '000)	% holding
Bharti Airtel Limited	350,000	70%	175,000	70%
Telecommunications Consultants India Limited ('TCIL')#	150,000	30%	75,000	30%

* Refer note 4(i)

Post initial public offering of Company (refer note 38(ii)), TCIL shareholding has reduced to 15%.



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d. Shareholding of promoters*

Shares held by promoters as of March 31, 2024:

S No.	Promoter Name	As of				% Change during the year
		April 1, 2023		March 31, 2024		
		No. of shares ('000)	% of total shares	No. of shares ('000)	% of total shares	
1	Bharti Airtel Limited ^{^A}	175,000	70.00	350,000	70.00	-

Shares held by promoters as of March 31, 2023:

S No.	Promoter Name	As of				% Change during the year
		April 1, 2022		March 31, 2023		
		No. of shares ('000)	% of total shares	No. of shares ('000)	% of total shares	
1	Bharti Airtel Limited*	175,000	70.00	175,000	70.00	-

* 5 shares held by nominees

For the purpose of disclosure, definition of promoter as per Companies Act, 2013 has been considered.

^Refer note 4(i).

e. Dividend

	For the period ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
A Declared and paid during the year		
Final dividend for FY 2022-23 : Rs 3 per share (2021-22 : Nil per share)	750	-
B Proposed Dividend		
Proposed dividend for FY 2023-24 : Rs 4 per share (2022-23 : Rs 3 per share)	2,000	750

f. Reserve and surplus

- Retained earnings:** Retained earnings represent the amount of accumulated earnings of the Company, re-measurement differences on defined benefit plans and any transfer from general reserve.
- Securities premium :** Securities premium is used to record the premium on issue of equity shares. The same is utilised in accordance with the provisions of the Act
- General reserve:** The Company has transferred a portion of its profit before declaring dividend in respective prior years to general reserve, as stipulated under the erstwhile Companies Act 1956. Mandatory transfer to general reserve is not required under the Act.
- Capital reserve:** It pertains to capital reserve acquired pursuant to the scheme of arrangement under the Act accounted under pooling of interest method and excess of purchase consideration over fair value of net assets (for certain business combinations).
- Capital redemption reserve:** The Company has created this reserve on redemption of redeemable preference shares out of the profits, as stipulated under the Act.



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- vi. **Debenture redemption reserve:** The Company has created this reserve for redemption of debentures, as stipulated under the Act. Reclassified from retained earnings for previous periods, as applicable.

15. Borrowings

Non-current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Unsecured		
Deferred payment liabilities	28,938	28,299
Non convertible debentures*	21,087	36,228
	50,025	64,527
Less: Interest accrued	(1,682)	(1,865)
Less: Current maturities of long-term borrowings	(20,419)	(15,363)
	27,924	47,299

Current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Unsecured		
Working capital demand loan	3	-
Bank overdraft	-	31
	3	31
Current maturities of long term borrowings		
Unsecured		
Non convertible debentures*	19,999	14,970
Deferred payment liabilities	420	393
	20,419	15,363
	20,422	15,394

* Refer note 38(i)

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Analysis of borrowings

The details given below are gross of debt origination cost.

15.1 Maturity of borrowings, interest rate and currency of borrowings

Borrowings are at floating and fixed rate of interest. The table below summarises the maturity profile and interest rates of the Company's borrowings based on contractual undiscounted payments.

Borrowings	Interest rate (range)	As of March 31, 2024	Maturity Profile				Terms of repayment
			Within one year	between one and two years	between two and five years	Over five years	
Working capital demand loan	8.6% to 9.2%	3	3	-	-	-	Payable on demand
Non-Convertible debentures	5.9%	20,000	20,000	-	-	-	Bullet payment, payable on due date
Deferred payment liabilities for spectrum	7.2%-7.3%	14,219	420	452	1,560	11,787	15 to 18 installments, payable annual
Deferred payment liability for adjusted gross revenue	8.0%	14,124	-	-	8,240	5,884	6 installments, payable annual
Total		48,346	20,423	452	9,800	17,671	

Borrowings	Interest rate (range)	As of March 31, 2023	Maturity Profile				Terms of repayment
			Within one year	between one and two years	between two and five years	Over five years	
Bank Overdraft	8.2%	31	31	-	-	-	Payable on demand
Non-Convertible debentures	5.9%-6.0%	35,000	15,000	20,000	-	-	Bullet payment, payable on due date
Deferred payment liabilities for spectrum	7.2%-7.3%	14,615	393	422	1,456	12,344	16 to 19 installments, payable annual
Deferred payment liability for adjusted gross revenue	8.0%	13,078	-	-	5,101	7,977	6 installments, payable annual
Total		62,724	15,424	20,422	6,557	20,321	

	Weighted average rate of interest	Total borrowings	Floating rate borrowings	Fixed rate borrowings
INR	6.9%	48,346	3	48,343
March 31, 2024		48,346	3	48,343
INR	6.7%	62,724	31	62,693
March 31, 2023		62,724	31	62,693

16 Others financial liabilities

Non-current

Interest accrued (refer note 15)

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Interest accrued (refer note 15)	-	0
	-	0

Current

Payable against capital expenditure
 Security deposits
 Dues to employees
 Interest accrued (refer note 15)
 Others*

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Payable against capital expenditure	7,444	7,963
Security deposits	218	237
Dues to employees	31	31
Interest accrued (refer note 15)	1,682	1,865
Others*	168	165
	9,543	10,261

* It mainly includes payable against certain unclaimed liabilities with respect to distributors.



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17 Provisions

Non-current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Asset retirement obligations	182	195
Gratuity	42	36
Other employee benefit plans	4	3
	228	234

Current

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Gratuity	12	13
Other employee benefit plans	21	19
Sub judice matters	11,935	11,000
	11,968	11,032

Refer note 23 for movement of provision towards various employee benefits.

The movement of provision towards assets retirement obligations is as below:

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Opening Balance	195	171
Net additions / (reversals)	(2)	7
Net interest costs	(11)	17
	182	195

The provision for ARO is in relation to the site restoration related obligation arising from the land taken on lease and represent the management's best estimate of the costs which will be incurred in the future to meet the Company's obligation under these lease arrangements.

The movement of provisions towards sub-judice matters is as below :

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Opening	11,000	10,230
Provision made during the year*	935	770
Closing*	11,935	11,000

*It includes provision of Rs. 663 and Rs. 618 towards AGR pursuant to merger with TTSL for the year ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 respectively.

*Closing balance includes Rs. 8,953 and Rs. 8,289 for TTSL for the year ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 respectively. The Company has recognised an indemnification asset towards the said provisions



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18 Trade payable

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Dues to micro and small enterprises	46	26
Others*	14,802	14,380
	14,848	14,406

* Trade payables includes dues to related parties (refer note 31).

Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Development Act, 2006 ('MSMED') disclosure

The dues to micro and small enterprises as required under the MSMED Act, 2006 based on the information available with the Company is given below:

Sr No	Particulars	For the year ended	
		March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
1	Principal amount and the interest due thereon remaining unpaid to any supplier as at the end of each accounting period [^]	183	85
2	Amount of interest paid by the buyer in terms of section 16 of the MSMED Act, 2006, along with the amounts of the payment made to the supplier beyond the appointed day during each accounting period	-	-
3	Amount of interest due and payable for the period of delay in making payment (which have been paid but beyond the appointed day during the period) but without adding the interest specified under MSMED Act, 2006.	-	-
4	Amount of interest accrued and remaining unpaid at the end of each accounting period;	-	-
5	Amount of further interest remaining due and payable even in the succeeding periods, until such date when the interest dues as above are actually paid to the small enterprise for the purpose of disallowance as a deductible expenditure under section 23 of the MSMED Act, 2006.	-	-

[^]Includes dues of micro and small enterprises included in other financial liabilities.

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Trade payable ageing

The following table presents the trade payable ageing as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

March 31, 2024

Particulars	Unbilled	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment					Total
		Not due	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i) Dues to micro and small enterprises (A)	-	40	6	-	-	-	46
(ii) Others (B)	8,991	974	101	6	2	64	10,138
(iii) Disputed dues to micro and small enterprises (C)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others (D)	-	0	370	32	380	3,882	4,664
Total dues to micro and small enterprises (A + C)							46
Total Others (B + D)							14,802

March 31, 2023

Particulars	Unbilled	Outstanding for following periods from due date of payment					Total
		Not due	Less than 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	More than 3 years	
(i) Dues to micro and small enterprises (A)	-	25	-	-	-	1	26
(ii) Others (B)	8,309	1,585	15	2	72	83	10,067
(iii) Disputed dues to micro and small enterprises (C)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Disputed dues - Others (D)	-	1	24	371	1,136	2,781	4,313
Total dues to micro and small enterprises (A + C)							26
Total Others (B + D)							14,380

19 Other current liabilities

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Taxes payable*	1,162	854
Advance from subscribers	245	209
	1,407	1,063

* Taxes payable mainly pertains to GST and payable towards sub-judice matters.

20 Contingencies and commitments

(I) Contingent liabilities*

Claims against the company not acknowledged as debt:

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
(i) Taxes, duties and other demands (under adjudication / appeal / dispute)		
- Service tax and GST	763	686
- Income tax	-	645
- DoT demands**	1,240	1,175
- Other miscellaneous demands	21	21
(ii) Claims under legal cases including arbitration matters		
- Access Charges / port Charges	65	65
- Others	42	40
	2,131	2,632

*Per demand order

**Includes self assessed amounts



The category wise details of the contingent liabilities has been given below:-

a) Service tax and GST

The Company has received demands from service tax authorities in relation to CENVAT claimed on tower & related material and applicability of service tax on License Fees, Spectrum Usage Charges paid to DOT for the quarter ended June 30, 2017.

The Company has received show cause notice from GST authorities on availment of Transitional Credit of Capital Goods.

b) Income tax demand

Income tax demands mainly include the appeals filed by the Company before various appellate authorities against the disallowance by income tax authorities of certain expenses being claimed.

c) DOT demands

DOT demands mainly includes:

- (i) Demands for the contentious matters in respect of subscriber verification guidelines including validity of certain documents allowed as proof of address / identity. Telecommunications Dispute Settlement and Appellate Tribunal ('TDSAT') has granted interim stay on the demand notices and the matters are pending for adjudication.
- (ii) DoT had enhanced the microwave rates by introducing slab-wise rates based on the number of carriers vide circulars issued in 2006 and 2008 from erstwhile basis being allocated frequency. The Company had challenged the matter in TDSAT and it has set aside the respective circulars of DoT vide its Judgement dated April 22, 2010. Thereafter, DoT has challenged the order of TDSAT before the Supreme Court, which is pending for adjudication. An amount of Rs. 595 which pertains to pre-migration to Unified License 'UL' / Unified access Service License 'UASL' is disclosed as contingent liability as on March 31, 2024.

In addition to the amounts disclosed in the table above, the contingent liability on DOT matters includes the following:

In respect of levy of one time spectrum charge ('OTSC'), the DoT has raised demand on the Company in January 2013. The company challenged the OTSC Demand and the High Court of Bombay vide its order dated January 28, 2013, stayed the enforcement of the demand and directed DoT not to take any coercive action. The DoT has filed its reply and this matter is currently pending with High Court of Bombay. The DoT has issued revised demands on the Company aggregating **Rs. 4,737** in June 2018, including a retrospective charge and a prospective charge till the expiry of



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the initial terms of the respective licenses. The said revised demand has subsequently also been brought within the ambit of the earlier order of no coercive action by the High Court of Bombay. The Company intends to continue to pursue its legal remedies.

Further, in a similar matter on a petition filed by another telecom service provider, the TDSAT, vide its judgement dated July 4, 2019, has set aside the DoT order for levy of OTSC with retrospective effect. Accordingly, as per the said order of the TDSAT; DoT can levy OTSC on the Spectrum beyond 6.2 MHz allotted after July 1, 2008, only from the date of allotment of such spectrum and in case of Spectrum beyond 6.2 MHz allotted before July 1, 2008, only prospectively i.e. w.e.f. January 1, 2013.

Further, demand for OTSC on spectrum allotted beyond start-up and up-to the limit of 6.2 MHz has been set aside. The TDSAT has asked DoT to issue revise demands, if any, in terms of the above directions. The said telecom service provider filed an appeal before the Supreme Court against judgment passed by TDSAT. On March 16, 2020, the Supreme Court dismissed the appeal of the telecom service providers and did not interfere with the TDSAT judgement. Thereafter, the Telecom service provider had filed a review petition against the judgment dated March 16, 2020. The Supreme Court allowed the review petition and restored the telecom service provider appeal. The matter is pending adjudication before the Supreme Court.

DoT's appeal against the said TDSAT Order for the levy on Spectrum below 6.2 MHz is pending. The Supreme Court vide order dated August 21, 2020, stayed the TDSAT judgement of July 4, 2019 in a case of another telecom service provider. The Supreme Court, vide order dated December 7, 2020, directed status quo to be maintained in case of another telecom service provider.

On account of prudence, of the total demands of Rs. 4,737, the Company had recorded a charge of Rs. 160 during the year ended March 31, 2020 and an interest charge thereon till March 31, 2024 amounting to Rs. 755. Balance demand amount of Rs. 4,577 (without interest) has continued to be disclosed as contingent liability.

Considering the nature of above disputes/ litigations, it is difficult to reliably ascertain the amount or timing of outflow on settlement.



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(II) Commitments

Capital commitments

The Company has contractual commitments towards capital expenditure (net of related advances paid) of Rs. 7,361 and Rs. 15,678 as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 respectively.

21 Revenue from operations

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Service revenue	70,888	65,790
	70,888	65,790

Disaggregation of revenue

Revenue is disaggregated by geographical market, major products / service lines and timing of revenue recognition as follows:

Particulars	For the year ended					
	Mobile Services		Home and Office Services		Total	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Geographical markets						
India	68,707	64,156	2,059	1,543	70,766	65,699
Outside India	122	91	-	-	122	91
	68,829	64,247	2,059	1,543	70,888	65,790
Major products / Service lines						
Data and Voice Services	67,718	63,143	2,011	1,522	69,729	64,665
Others	1,111	1,104	48	21	1,159	1,125
	68,829	64,247	2,059	1,543	70,888	65,790
Timing of revenue recognition						
Services transferred at a point in time	100	61	12	5	112	66
Services transferred over time	68,729	64,186	2,047	1,538	70,776	65,724
	68,829	64,247	2,059	1,543	70,888	65,790

Contract Balances

The following table provides information about unbilled revenue and deferred revenue from contract with customers

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Unbilled revenue (refer note 8)	440	354
Deferred revenue	11,962	10,778

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Significant changes in the unbilled revenue and deferred revenue balance during the period are as follows:

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	
	Unbilled Revenue	Deferred Revenue
Revenue recognised that was included in deferred revenue at the beginning of the year	-	4,749
Increase due to cash received, excluding amounts recognised as revenue during the year	-	5,933
Transfer from unbilled revenue recognised at the beginning of the year to receivables	354	-

Costs to obtain or fulfil a contract with a customer

Reconciliation of costs to obtain or fulfil contracts with customers

The Company estimated that the historical average customer life is longer than 12 months and believes that its churn rate provides the best indicator of anticipated average customer life.

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Opening balance	3,190	2,259
Costs incurred and deferred	2,147	2,399
Less: Cost amortized	2,093	1,468
Closing balance	3,244	3,190

21.1 Other Income

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Net gain on marketable securities	421	290
Interest income	774	85
Government grant	1,192	984
Miscellaneous income	100	43
	2,487	1,402

The Company has entered into respective agreements with Universal Service Obligation Fund ('USOF') to provide mobile services in identified uncovered villages and seamless mobile coverage on the national highways in north-eastern region. The Company has recognised deferred income for front loaded subsidy (representing 50% of eligible USOF subsidy) on receipt of approved Proof of Concept (PoC) for a particular USOF site and for equated quarterly subsidy (representing remaining 50% of the eligible USOF subsidy receivable in twenty quarterly instalments) on quarterly basis. The deferred income is amortised over the period they are required to operate and maintain the asset. The company has recognized government grant of Rs. 1,192 and Rs 984 during the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023.



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22 Network operating expenses

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Power and fuel	7,798	7,861
Passive infrastructure charges	4,107	3,276
Repair and maintenance	2,764	1,908
Internet, bandwidth and leasedline charges	1,448	2,321
Others*	732	497
	16,849	15,863

*It includes charges towards installation, insurance and security.

23 Employee benefits expense

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Salaries, wages and bonus	972	848
Contribution to provident and other funds	22	20
Defined benefit obligation/ other long term benefits	20	14
Staff welfare expenses	31	14
Others	9	7
	1,054	903

23.1 Employee benefits

The details of significant defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	For the year ended			
	March 31, 2024		March 31, 2023	
	Gratuity	Compensated absences	Gratuity	Compensated absences
Obligation:				
Balance as at beginning of the year	49	19	49	19
Current service cost	8	5	6	3
Interest cost	4	1	4	1
Benefits paid	(10)	(4)	(11)	(4)
Transfers	(0)	1	(2)	0
Remeasurements	3	(1)	3	0
Present value of obligation	54	21	49	19
Current portion	12	21	13	19
Non-current portion	42	-	36	-

As of March 31, 2024, expected contributions for the next annual reporting period is Rs. 12.

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Amount recognised in OCI

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Experience losses	2	4
Losses / (gain) from change in demographic assumptions	0	(1)
Losses / (gain) from change in financial assumptions	1	(0)
Remeasurements on defined benefit plans	3	3

Due to its defined benefit plans, the Company is exposed to the following significant risks:

Changes in bond yields - A decrease in bond yields will increase plan liability

Salary risk - The present value of the defined benefit plans liability is calculated by reference to the future salaries of the plan participants. As such, an increase in the salary of the plan participants will increase the plan's liability.

The financial (per annum rates) and demographic assumptions used to determine defined benefit obligations are as follows:

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Discount rate	7.1%	7.4%
Rate of salary increase	7.0%	7.0%
Rate of attrition	13% to 27%	11% to 34%
Retirement age	58	58

Sensitivity analysis

The Company regularly assesses these assumptions with the projected long-term plans and prevalent industry standards.

The impact of sensitivity due to changes in the significant actuarial assumptions on the defined benefit obligations is given in the table below:

Change in assumption	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Discount rate	+1%	(2)
	-1%	2
Salary growth rate	+1%	2
	-1%	(2)

The above sensitivity analysis is determined based on a method that extrapolates the impact on the net defined benefit obligations, as a result of reasonable possible changes in the significant actuarial



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assumptions. Further, the above sensitivity analysis is based on a reasonably possible change in a particular underlying actuarial assumption, while assuming all other assumptions to be constant. In practice, this is unlikely to occur, and changes in some of the assumptions may be correlated.

The methods and types of assumptions used in preparing the sensitivity analysis did not change compared to the prior period.

The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Company' gratuity liability:

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Within one year	12	13
Between one and three years	16	15
Between three and five years	9	7
Above five years	17	14
Weighted average duration (in years)	3.63	2.96

24 Sales and marketing expense

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Sales commission and distribution expenses	2,766	2,221
Advertisement and marketing	392	434
Business promotion	42	50
Others	492	362
	3,692	3,067

25 Other expenses

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Content cost	345	340
Legal & professional charges^	47	42
Customer care expenses	102	97
IT expenses	331	308
Bad debts written off	2	5
Provision for doubtful receivables	141	73
Collection and recovery expense	109	93
Printing and Stationery	320	260
Other administrative expenses@	303	720
	1,700	1,938

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^Details of Auditor's remuneration (excluding GST) included in legal and professional charges:

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Audit fee*	7	5
Reimbursement of expenses	0	0
Other services (including certification)	0	1
	7	6

As per the requirements of section 135 of the Act, the Company was not required to spend any amount for the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 on Corporate Social Responsibility expenditure.

@It includes short term and low value lease payments, printing and stationery, security, travelling and conveyance expenses, etc.

*Audit fees excludes Rs. 16 with respect to audit and certification services for initial public offering of the Company, which is borne by Telecommunication Consultants India Limited (selling shareholders).

26 Depreciation and amortisation expenses

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Depreciation on property plant and equipment	9,880	8,697
Depreciation on right of use assets	3,860	3,308
Amortisation	3,652	3,528
	17,392	15,533

27 Finance costs

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Interest expense	3,197	3,698
Net exchange (gain) / loss	(9)	26
Interest expense on leases	2,379	2,028
Other finance charges*	877	636
	6,444	6,388

* It includes bank charges, trade finance charges and interest charges towards sub-judice matters.

28 Exceptional Items

For the year ended March 31, 2024, exceptional items comprise of the following:

- Interest charge of Rs. 2,977 pertaining to tax treatment of adjusted revenue linked Variable License Fee from revenue expenditure to capital in nature for the purpose of computation of taxable income.
- Charge of Rs. 53 on account of re-assessment of regulatory levies.



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Tax expenses includes:

For the year ended March 31, 2024,

- Charge of Rs. 1,054 primarily due to change in effective tax rate due to adoption of new tax regime pertaining to tax treatment of adjusted revenue linked Variable License Fee from revenue expenditure to capital in nature for the purpose of computation of taxable income.
- Credit of Rs. 13 on exceptional item pertaining to re-assessment of regulatory levies.

29 Earnings per share ('EPS')

The details used in the computation of basic and diluted EPS:

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Profit attributable to equity shareholder as per Statement of profit and loss (A)	5,044	5,492
Weighted average number of equity shares for calculation of basic / diluted EPS (in thousand) (B)	500,000	500,000
Earning per share		
Equity share of face value Rs. 5 per share		
Basic / diluted earnings per share (A) / (B) (Refer note 4(i))	10.09	10.98

30 Segment Reporting

The Company's operating segments are organised and managed separately through the respective business managers, according to the nature of products and services provided with each segment representing a strategic business unit. These business units are reviewed by one of the Directors of the Company (Chief Operating Decision Maker - 'CODM').

The amounts reported to CODM are based on the accounting principles used in the preparation of Financial Statements as per Ind AS. Segment's performance is evaluated based on segment revenue and segment result viz. profit or loss from operating activities before exceptional items and tax, after excluding charity and donation cost. Accordingly, finance costs, non – operating expenses and exceptional items are not allocated to individual segment.

Inter-segment pricing and terms are reviewed and changed by the management to reflect changes in market conditions and changes to such terms are reflected in the period in which the changes occur. Inter-segment revenues are eliminated upon consolidation of segments and reflected in the 'Eliminations' column.

Segment assets / liabilities comprise assets / liabilities directly managed by each segment. Segment assets primarily include receivables, right-of-use asset ('ROU'), property, plant and equipment, CWIP, intangible assets, IAUD and cash and cash equivalents. Segment liabilities primarily include operating and lease



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liabilities. Segment capital expenditure comprises of additions to property, plant and equipment, CWIP, intangible assets, IAUD and capital advances.

The reporting segments of the Company are as below:

Mobile Services: These services cover voice and data telecom services provided through wireless technology (2G/4G/5G). This also includes intra city fibre networks.

Homes and Office Services: These services cover voice and data communications through fixed-line network and broadband technology for homes and offices.

Unallocated: Unallocated items include expenses / results, assets and liabilities of corporate headquarters of the Company, current taxes, deferred taxes, borrowings (which includes external borrowings and deferred payment liabilities) and certain financial assets and liabilities, not allocated to the operating segments.

Summary of the segmental information for the year ended and as of March 31, 2024 is as follows:

	Mobile Services	Homes and Office Services	Unallocated	Eliminations	Total
Revenue from external customers	68,829	2,059	-	-	70,888
Inter segment revenue	382	-	-	(382)	-
Total revenue	69,211	2,059	-	(382)	70,888
Segment results	17,307	205	-	-	17,512
Less:					
Finance costs (net)*					5,249
Exceptional items					3,030
Profit before tax					9,233
Other segment items					
Capital expenditure	19,769	1,265	-	-	21,034
Addition to ROU	6,398	15	-	-	6,413
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	16,897	495	-	-	17,392
As of March 31, 2024					
Segment assets	172,999	4,556	9,129	(1,510)	185,174
Segment liabilities	82,945	2,935	54,417	(1,510)	138,787

*net of interest income and net gain on fair value through profit and loss.



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Summary of the segmental information for the year ended and as of March 31, 2023 is as follows:

	Mobile Services	Homes and Office Services	Unallocated	Eliminations	Total
Revenue from external customers	64,247	1,543	-	-	65,790
Inter segment revenue	377	-	-	(377)	-
Total revenue	64,624	1,543	-	(377)	65,790
Segment results	13,200	151	-	-	13,351
Less:					
Finance costs (net)*					6,013
Profit before tax					7,338
Other segment items					
Capital expenditure	29,919	599	-	-	30,518
Addition to ROU	13,878	219	-	-	14,097
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	15,241	292	-	-	15,533
As of March 31, 2023					
Segment assets	171,392	2,960	9,026	(849)	182,529
Segment liabilities	77,706	2,114	61,463	(849)	140,434

* net of interest income and net gain on fair value through profit and loss.

Geographical information:

The Company is operating mainly in single geographic segment, i.e. in India. Thus, no information concerning geographical areas is applicable to the Company.

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31 Related party disclosures

- i. Parent Company**
Bharti Airtel Limited
- ii. Ultimate controlling entity ***
Bharti Enterprises (Holding) Private Limited. It is held by private trusts of Bharti family, with Mr. Sunil Bharti Mittal's family trust effectively controlling the said company.
- iii. Entity having significant influence over the Company**
Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (upto April 12, 2024)
- iv. Entity having significant influence over the Parent Company***
Singapore Telecommunications Limited
- v. Other entities with whom transactions have taken place during the period**
- a. Fellow Subsidiaries**
- Indian**
Bharti Airtel Services Limited
Bharti Telemedia Limited
Telesonic Networks Limited^ (merged with Bharti Airtel Limited w.e.f. February 01, 2023)
Nxtra Data Limited
Xtelify Limited (formerly known as Airtel Digital Limited)
Beetel Teletech Limited (w.e.f January 01, 2024)
- Foreign**
- Airtel (Seychelles) Limited
Airtel Congo RDC S.A.
Airtel Congo S.A
Airtel Gabon S.A.
Airtel Malawi Public Limited Company
Airtel Madagascar S.A.
Airtel Networks Kenya Limited
Airtel Networks Zambia Plc
Airtel Rwanda Limited
Airtel Tanzania Public Limited Company
Airtel Tchad S.A.
Airtel Uganda Limited
Bharti Airtel Lanka (Private) Limited
Bharti Airtel Nigeria B.V.
Bharti Airtel Uganda Holdings B.V.
Celtel Niger S.A.
- b. Entity where parent company exercises significant influence**
Airtel Payments Bank Limited
Robi Axiata Limited
Hughes Communication India Private Limited
HCIL Comtel Private Limited
- c. Joint venture of the Parent company**
Indus Towers Limited
Smartx Services Limited
FireFly Networks Limited



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d. Other related parties #

Beetel Teletech Limited (upto December 31, 2023)
Centum Learning Limited
Jersey Airtel Limited
Bharti AXA Life Insurance Company Limited
Singtel Mobile Singapore Pte. Ltd

* There is no transaction with Ultimate Controlling entity and Entity having significant influence over Parent Company during the reported periods.

'**Other related parties**' though not 'Related Parties' as per the definition under Ind AS 24, have been included by way of a voluntary disclosure, following the best corporate governance practices.

vi. Key Management Personnel

Nidhi Lauria, Chief Executive Officer (upto November 11, 2022)
Marut Dilawari, Chief Executive Officer (w.e.f. November 12, 2022)
Kamal Dua, Chief Financial Officer (upto November 7, 2023)
Akhil Garg, Chief Financial Officer (w.e.f. November 7, 2023)
Richa Gupta Rohatgi, Company Secretary

The remuneration paid to Key Management Personnel of the Company is borne by its Holding company, Bharti Airtel Limited and cross charged as part of a single composite consideration. Accordingly, the same is not reported under related party transaction.

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The summary of transactions with the above mentioned parties are as follows:

	For the year ended March 31, 2024					
	Parent Company	Fellow subsidiaries	Entity where parent company exercises significant influence	Joint venture of the Parent company	Entity having significant influence over the Company	Other related parties
Purchase of fixed assets/bandwidth	1,194	26	10	695	-	101
Sale of fixed assets/IRU given	260	18	-	-	-	-
Rendering of services	7,266	24	5	0	-	18
Receiving of services	9,571	525	389	3,003	-	2
Expenses incurred on behalf of others	19	13	2	-	12	-
Expenses incurred on behalf of the company	1,743	645	-	-	-	-
Interest charged by others	-	20	-	-	-	-
Interest charged by the company	415	-	-	-	-	-
Reimbursement of energy expenses	-	-	-	4,136	-	-
Receiving of assets(ROU/Ind AS 116) *#	-	11	-	5,188	-	-
Repayment of Lease liability	-	86	-	3,064	-	-
Guarantees and collaterals	(0)	-	-	-	-	-
Dividend paid	525	-	-	-	225	-

	For the year ended March 31, 2023					
	Parent Company^	Fellow subsidiaries	Entity where parent company exercises significant influence	Joint venture of the Parent company	Entity having significant influence over the Company	Other related parties
Purchase of fixed assets/bandwidth	832	8	-	13	-	40
Sale of fixed assets/IRU given	43	-	-	-	-	-
Rendering of services	10,220	22	10	-	-	4
Receiving of services	13,398	425	287	2,280	-	4
Expenses incurred on behalf of others	0	63	0	-	-	-
Expenses incurred on behalf of the company	1,635	580	-	-	-	-
Interest charged by others	-	15	-	-	-	-
Reimbursement of energy expenses	-	-	-	4,358	-	-
Receiving of assets(ROU/Ind AS 116) *#	-	217	-	9,535	-	-
Repayment of Lease liability	-	35	-	3,081	-	-
Guarantees and collaterals	(3)	-	-	-	-	-

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The details of significant transactions with related parties for the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 are provided below:-

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023 [^]
(i) Receiving of services		
Parent Company		
Bharti Airtel Limited*	9,571	13,398
Joint venture of the parent company#		
Indus Towers Limited	3,003	2,280
(ii) Rendering of services		
Parent Company		
Bharti Airtel Limited	7,266	10,220
(iii) Reimbursement of energy expenses		
Joint venture of the parent company		
Indus Towers Limited	4,136	4,358
(iv) Purchase of fixed assets / bandwidth (net)		
Parent Company		
Bharti Airtel Limited	1,194	832
Joint venture of the parent company		
Indus Towers Limited	695	13
(v) Fund received / Expenses incurred on behalf of the company		
Parent Company		
Bharti Airtel Limited	1,743	1,635
(vi) Receiving / termination of assets(ROU)#		
Joint venture of the parent company \$		
Indus Towers Limited	5,188	9,535
(vii) Dividend paid		
Parent Company		
Bharti Airtel Limited	525	-
Entity having significant influence over the Company		
Telecommunications Consultants India Limited	225	-

Amount excluding goods and service tax.

* Amount disclosed above is net of termination.

\$ During the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023, the Company has made payment of Rs. 3,064 and Rs. 3,081 respectively in respect of lease liabilities.

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The outstanding balances of the above mentioned related parties are as follow:

	Parent Company [^]	Fellow subsidiaries	Entity where parent company exercise significant influence	Joint venture of the Parent company	Entity having significant influence over the Company	Other related parties
As of March 31, 2024						
Trade Receivables	1,842	10	1	0	-	3
Other Financial assets	7	1	5	98	12	-
Trade Payables	-	175	38	2,704	-	0
Guarantees and collaterals	47	-	-	-	-	-
Lease liabilities @	-	230	-	20,002	-	-
As of March 31, 2023						
Trade Receivables	356	0	12	-	-	3
Other Financial assets	42	6	-	98	-	-
Trade Payables	-	200	0	2,687	-	6
Guarantees and collaterals	47	-	-	-	-	-
Lease liabilities @	-	285	-	16,431	-	-

Outstanding balances at period end are un-secured and settlement occurs in cash.

[^]Consequent to the amalgamation of Telesonic Networks Limited (Telesonic) and Nettle Infrastructure Investments Limited (Nettle) with Bharti Airtel Limited (Airtel) with appointed date of April 1, 2022, related party transactions of Telesonic and Nettle for the year ended March 31, 2023 have been included with Airtel and disclosed accordingly.

@ It include discounted value of future cash payouts.

32 Leases

Company as a lessee

Right-of-use assets ('ROU')

The following table presents the reconciliation of changes in the carrying value of ROU assets for the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

	Bandwidth	Plant and equipment	Building	Leasehold land	Total
Balance as at April 1, 2022	958	11,943	93	3,330	16,324
Additions	-	13,155	300	643	14,098
Depreciation expense	(78)	(2,841)	(53)	(336)	(3,308)
Disposals / adjustments	-	(444)	(5)	(275)	(724)
Balance as at March 31, 2023	880	21,813	335	3,362	26,390
Balance as at April 1, 2023	880	21,813	335	3,362	26,390
Additions	-	6,103	63	248	6,414
Depreciation expense	(78)	(3,390)	(52)	(340)	(3,860)
Disposals / adjustments	-	(312)	(11)	(25)	(348)
Balance as at March 31, 2024	802	24,214	335	3,245	28,596

- Bandwidth**

The Company's leases of bandwidth comprise of dark fiber taken on lease.



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• **Plant and equipment**

The Company leases passive infrastructure for providing telecommunication services under composite contracts that include lease of passive infrastructure and land on which the passive infrastructure is built as well as maintenance, security, provision of energy etc. services.

• **Building**

The Company's leases of building comprise of lease of offices, warehouses and shops.

• **Leasehold land**

The Company's leases of land comprise of land taken on lease on which passive infrastructure and offices are built.

Amounts recognised in profit or loss

Leases under Ind AS 116

	For the year ended	
Leases under Ind AS 116	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Interest on lease liabilities	2,379	2,028
Expenses relating to leases of low-value assets, excluding short-term leases of low value assets	5	5

Amounts recognised in Statement of Cash Flows

	For the year ended	
Leases under Ind AS 116	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Principal payment of lease liabilities	2,930	2,831

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The following table sets out a maturity analysis of lease payments, showing the undiscounted lease payments to be paid after the reporting date.

Operating leases under Ind AS 116	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Not later than one year	6,805	6,103
Later than one year but not later than five years	21,183	18,415
Later than five years	16,587	15,816
	44,575	40,334

Company as a lessor- operating lease

The Company enters into 'Indefeasible right to use' ('IRU') arrangements wherein the right to use the assets is given over the substantial part of the asset life. However, as the title to the assets and the significant risks associated with the operation and maintenance of these assets remains with the Company, such arrangements are recognised as operating lease. The contracted price is recognised as revenue during the tenure of the agreement. Unearned IRU revenue received in advance is presented as deferred revenue within liabilities in the Balance Sheet.

Amounts recognised in Statement of Profit and Loss

Leases under Ind AS 116	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Lease income	492	505

The following table sets out a maturity analysis of lease payments, showing the undiscounted lease payments to be received after the reporting date.

Operating leases under Ind AS 116	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Less than one year	257	325
One to two years	61	264
Two to three years	39	62
Three to four years	30	40
Four to five years	26	30
More than five years	59	82
	472	803

Company has entered into non-cancellable lease arrangements to provide dark fiber on IRU basis and tower assets on site-sharing basis. Due to the nature of these transactions, it is not possible to compute gross carrying amount, depreciation for the year and accumulated depreciation of the asset given on operating lease as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023 and accordingly, the related disclosures are not provided.



33 Financial and capital risk

1. Financial Risk

The business activities of the Company expose it to a variety of financial risks, namely market risks (that is, foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk and liquidity risk. The Company's risk management strategies focus on the un-predictability of these elements and seek to minimise the potential adverse effects on its financial performance.

The financial risk management for the Company is driven by the Company's senior management ('CSM'), in close co-ordination with internal / external experts subject to necessary supervision. The Company does not undertake any speculative transactions either through derivatives or otherwise. The CSM are accountable to the Board of Directors and Audit Committee. They ensure that the Company's financial risk-taking activities are governed by appropriate financial risk governance framework, policies and procedures. The Board of Directors of the Company periodically reviews the exposures to financial risks, and the measures taken for risk mitigation and the results thereof.

(i) Foreign currency risk

Foreign exchange risk arises on all recognised monetary assets and liabilities, and any highly probable forecasted transactions, which are denominated in a currency other than the functional currency of the Company. The Company has foreign currency trade payables and receivables. However, foreign exchange exposure mainly arises from trade payables denominated in foreign currencies.

Foreign currency sensitivity

The impact of foreign exchange sensitivity on profit for the year and OCI is given in the table below:

	Change in currency exchange rate	Effect on profit before tax	Effect on equity (OCI)
For the year ended March 31, 2024			
US Dollars	+5%	(25)	-
	-5%	25	-
EURO	+5%	2	-
	-5%	(2)	-
For the year ended March 31, 2023			
US Dollars	+5%	(21)	-
	-5%	21	-
EURO	+5%	0	-
	-5%	(0)	-



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The sensitivity disclosed in the above table is mainly attributable to foreign exchange gains / (losses) on translation of USD denominated trade payables and trade receivables.

The above sensitivity analysis is based on a reasonable possible change in the under-lying foreign currency against the respective functional currency while assuming all other variables to be constant.

Based on the movements in the foreign exchange rates historically and the prevailing market conditions as at the reporting date, the Company's management has concluded that the above mentioned rates used for sensitivity are reasonable benchmarks.

(ii) Interest rate risk

As the Company does not have exposure to any floating-interest bearing assets, or any significant long-term fixed-interest bearing assets, its interest income and related cash inflows are not affected by changes in market interest rates. Consequently, the Company's interest rate risk arises mainly from borrowings.

Borrowings

Borrowings with floating and fixed interest rates expose the Company to cash flow and fair value interest rate risk respectively. However, the short-term borrowings of the Company do not have a significant fair value or cash flow interest rate risk due to their short tenure. Accordingly, the components of the debt portfolio are determined by the CSM in a manner which enables the Company to achieve an optimum debt-mix basis its overall objectives and future market expectations.

The Company monitors the interest rate movement and manages the interest rate risk based on its risk management policies - as considered appropriate and whenever necessary.

Interest rate sensitivity of borrowings

The impact of the interest rate sensitivity on Profit before tax is given in the table below:

Interest rate sensitivity	Increase / decrease in basis points	Effect on profit before tax
For the year ended March 31, 2024		
INR - borrowings	+100	(0)
	-100	0
For the year ended March 31, 2023		
INR - borrowings	+100	(0)
	-100	0

The sensitivity disclosed in the above table is attributable to floating-interest rate borrowings.



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The above sensitivity analysis is based on a reasonably possible change in the under-lying interest rate of the Company's borrowings, while assuming all other variables to be constant.

Based on the movements in the interest rates historically and the prevailing market conditions as at the reporting date, the Company's management has concluded that the above mentioned rates used for sensitivity are reasonable benchmarks.

(iii) Price risk

The Company invests its surplus funds in various mutual funds (debt fund, equity fund, liquid schemes and income funds etc.), short term debt funds, government securities and fixed deposits. In order to manage its price risk arising from investments, the Company diversifies its portfolio in accordance with the limits set by the risk management policies.

(iv) Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk of default on its obligation by the counter-party, the risk of deterioration of credit-worthiness of the counter-party as well as concentration risks of financial assets, and thereby exposing the Company to potential financial losses.

The Company is exposed to credit risk mainly with respect to trade receivables.

Trade receivables

The Trade receivables of the Company are typically non-interest bearing un-secured and derived from sales made to a large number of independent customers. As the customer base is widely distributed both economically and geographically, there is no concentration of credit risk. The credit period provided by the Company to its customers (other than Group entities), generally ranges between 14-30 days. For details of trade receivables / revenues from related-parties, refer note 31.

The Company uses a provision matrix to measure the ECL of trade receivables, which comprise a very large numbers of small balances. Refer Note 11 for details on the impairment of trade receivables. Based on the industry practices and the business environment in which the entity operates, management considers that the trade receivables are impaired if the payments are more than 90 days past due.

The ageing analysis of trade receivables as of the reporting date is as follows:

	Neither past due nor impaired	Past due but not impaired				Total
		Less Than 30 days	30 to 60 days	60 to 90 days	Above 90 days	
Trade receivables as of March 31, 2024	2,197	1,971	162	103	13	4,446
Trade receivables as of March 31, 2023	788	348	101	19	233	1,489



The Company performs on-going credit evaluations of its customers' financial condition and monitors the credit-worthiness of its customers to which it grants credit in its ordinary course of business.

Financial instruments and cash deposits

The Company's treasury, in accordance with the board approved policy, maintains its cash and cash equivalents, deposits and investment in mutual funds, having good reputation and past track record, and high credit rating. Similarly, counter-parties of the Company's other receivables carry either no or very minimal credit risk. Further, the Company reviews the credit-worthiness of the counter-parties (on the basis of its ratings, credit spreads and financial strength) of all the above assets on an on-going basis, and if required, takes necessary mitigation measures.

(v) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they become due. Accordingly, as a prudent liquidity risk management measure, the Company closely monitors its liquidity position and deploys a robust cash management system. It maintains adequate sources of financing including bilateral loans, debt and overdraft from domestic at an optimised cost. It also enjoys strong access to domestic and international capital markets across debt and equity.

Moreover, the Company's senior management regularly monitors the rolling forecasts of the entity's liquidity reserve (comprising of the amount of available un-drawn credit facilities and Cash and cash equivalents) and the related requirements, to ensure they have sufficient cash on an on-going basis to meet operational needs while maintaining sufficient headroom at all times on its available un-drawn committed credit facilities, so that there is no breach of borrowing limits or relevant covenants on any of its borrowings. For details as to the Borrowings, refer Note 15.

Based on past performance and current expectations, the Company believes that the Cash and cash equivalents, cash generated from operations and available un-drawn credit facilities, will satisfy its working capital needs, capital expenditure, investment requirements, commitments and other liquidity requirements associated with its existing operations, through at least the next twelve months.

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The table below summarises the maturity profile of the Company's financial liabilities based on contractual undiscounted payments:-

	As of March 31, 2024						Total
	Carrying amount	On demand	Less than 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 2 years	> 2 years	
Interest bearing borrowings*#	50,028	3	23,678	125	4,542	38,248	66,596
Other financial liabilities#	7,861	218	7,643	-	-	-	7,861
Trade payables	14,848	-	14,848	-	-	-	14,848
Lease liabilities	32,700	-	4,015	2,790	5,500	32,271	44,576
Financial liabilities	105,437	221	50,184	2,915	10,042	70,519	133,881

	As of March 31, 2023						Total
	Carrying amount	On demand	Less than 6 months	6 to 12 months	1 to 2 years	> 2 years	
Interest bearing borrowings*#	64,558	31	2,501	16,020	22,627	42,790	83,969
Other financial liabilities#	8,396	237	8,159	-	-	-	8,396
Trade payables	14,406	-	14,406	-	-	-	14,406
Lease liabilities	29,343	-	3,609	2,494	4,862	29,369	40,334
Financial liabilities	116,703	268	28,675	18,514	27,489	72,159	147,105

* Includes contractual interest payment based on interest rate prevailing at the end of the reporting period over the tenor of the borrowings.

Interest accrued has been included in interest bearing borrowings and excluded from other financial liabilities.

The following table provides the reconciliation of liabilities whose cash flow movements are disclosed as part of financing activities of Statement of Cash Flows:

	April 1, 2023	Cash flows	Non-cash changes		March 31, 2024
			Interest expense	Others	
Borrowings*	62,693	(15,000)	-	653	48,346
Interest accrued	1,865	(5,356)	6,453	(1,280)^	1,682
Lease liabilities	29,343	(2,930)	-	6,287	32,700

	April 1, 2022	Cash flows	Non-cash changes		March 31, 2023
			Interest expense	Others	
Borrowings*	71,983	(24,428)	-	15,138	62,693
Interest accrued	890	(4,830)	6,362	(558)^	1,865
Lease liabilities	18,701	(2,831)	-	13,473	29,343

*It does not include deferred payment liabilities and lease liabilities.

^Mainly pertains to provision on regulatory matters, spectrum interest & interest capitalisation.



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(vi) Disclosure of non-cash transactions

	For the year ended	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
ROU additions during the year by means of lease	6,413	14,097
Acquisition of Intangible assets and Intangible assets under development acquired by means of deferred payment liability	-	13,456

2. Capital Risk

The Company's objective while managing capital is to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern (so that it is enabled to provide returns and create value for its shareholders, and benefits for other stakeholders), support business stability and growth, ensure adherence to the covenants and restrictions imposed by lenders and / or relevant laws and regulations, and maintain an optimal and efficient capital structure so as to reduce the cost of capital. However, the key objective of the Company's capital management is to, ensure that it maintains a stable capital structure with the focus on total equity, uphold investor; creditor and customer confidence, and ensure future development of its business activities. In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Company may issue new shares, declare dividends, return capital to shareholders, etc.

The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it, in light of changes in economic conditions or its business requirements.

The Company monitors capital using a gearing ratio calculated as below:

	As of	
	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Borrowings	48,346	62,693
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	398	555
Net Debt (A)	47,948	62,138
Equity	46,387	42,095
Total Capital (B)	46,387	42,095
Capital and Net Debt (C = A+B)	94,335	104,233
Gearing Ratio (A/C)	50.8%	59.6%

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34 Fair Value of financial assets and liabilities

The category wise details as to the carrying value and fair value of the Company's financial instruments are as follows:

		Carrying Value as of		Fair Value as of	
		March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023
Financial Assets					
FVTPL					
Investments - quoted	Level 1	137	10,460	137	10,460
Amortised cost					
Investments - quoted	Level 1	2,239	-	2,239	-
Trade receivables		4,446	1,489	4,446	1,489
Cash and cash equivalents		398	555	398	555
Other bank balances		345	332	345	332
Other financial assets		15,388	14,409	15,388	14,409
		22,953	27,245	22,953	27,245
Financial Liabilities					
Amortised cost					
Borrowings- fixed rate	Level 1	19,999	34,969	18,862	33,071
Borrowings- fixed rate	Level 2	28,344	27,693	27,595	26,893
Borrowings- floating rate		3	31	3	31
Trade payables		14,848	14,406	14,848	14,406
Other financial liabilities		9,543	10,261	9,543	10,261
		72,737	87,360	70,851	84,662

The following methods / assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

- The carrying value of other bank balances, trade receivables, trade payables, floating – rate borrowings, other current financial assets and liabilities approximate their fair value mainly due to the short-term maturities of these instruments being subject to floating – rates.
- The fair value of non – current financial assets, other long-term borrowing and other financial liabilities is estimated by discounting future cash flows using current rates applicable to instruments with similar terms, currency, credit risk and remaining maturities.

The following table describes the key inputs used in the valuation (basis discounted cash flow technique) of the Level 2 financial assets / liabilities as of March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

Financial liabilities	Inputs used
Fixed Rate borrowings	Prevailing interest rates in market, future payouts, Interest rates

During the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023, there were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 fair value measurements. None of the financial assets and financial liabilities are in Level 3.



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35 Ratios

The following are analytical ratios for the year ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023:

Ratio	Numerator	Denominator	March 31, 2024	March 31, 2023	% Variance
Current Ratio - [no. of times]	Current Assets	Current Liabilities	0.32	0.47	(32.7%)
Debt-equity Ratio - [no. of times]*	Non-Current borrowings (+) current borrowings (-) cash and cash equivalents	Equity	1.03	1.48	(30.0%)
Debt service coverage ratio - [no. of times]	Profit before depreciation, amortisation, finance costs, exceptional items and tax	Interest expenses (+) principal repayments of long-term debt (+) payment of lease liabilities	1.54	3.42	(55.1%)
Return on equity ratio - [no. of times]	Profit for the year	Average Equity	0.11	0.14	(18.3%)
Trade receivables turnover ratio - [no. of days]	Average trade receivables	Revenue from operations / no of days for the year	15	62	(75.4%)
Net capital turnover ratio - [no. of times]	Revenue from operations	Working Capital (i.e. Current assets - Current liabilities)	(1.38)	(2.03)	32.2%
Net profit ratio (%)	Profit for the year	Revenue from operations	7.1%	8.3%	(14.8%)
Return on capital employed (%)	EBIT	Average Capital Employed#	14.1%	10.7%	31.8%
Return on investment	Income generated from investments	Time weighted average investment	4.69%	5.02%	(6.5%)

*excluding lease liabilities

Average capital employed= Average of (Equity + Net Debt)

Explanation where variance in ratio is more than 25%

Current ratio

Decrease is majorly on account of increase in current liabilities.

Debt-equity ratio

Decrease is majorly on account of decrease in debt.

Debt service coverage ratio

Decrease is on account of increase in repayment of long term debt.

Trade receivables turnover ratio

Decrease is majorly on account of decrease in average trade receivables.

Net capital turnover ratio

Increase is majorly on account of decrease in working capital.

Return on capital employed

Increase on account of increase in EBIT and reduce in debt.

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36 Audit Trail

Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA) vide its notification number G.S.R. 206(E) dated March 24, 2021 (amended from time to time) in reference to the proviso to Rule 3 (1) of the Companies (Accounts) Amendment Rules, 2021, introduced the requirement w.e.f April 01, 2023, to only use such accounting software which has a feature of recording audit trail of each and every transaction.

The Company has assessed all of its IT applications including supporting applications considering the guidance provided in "Implementation guide on reporting on audit trail under rule 11(g) of the Companies (Audit and Auditors) Rules, 2014 (Revised 2024 edition)" issued by the Institute of Chartered Accounts of India in February 2024, and identified applications that are relevant for maintaining books of accounts. The Company has an IT environment which is adequately governed with General information technology controls (GITCs) for financial reporting process. During the financial year, the Company has enabled audit trail feature, in a phased manner, in certain critical applications including the ERP application (Oracle) which maintains the general ledger for financial reporting purposes. During such period, audit trail feature has operated effectively and there were no instances of audit trail feature being tampered with. Further, for the remaining applications, the Company is in the process of implementing audit trail feature.

37 Relationship with struck off companies

March 31, 2024

S No.	Name of struck off company	Nature of transactions	Balance outstanding as of March 31, 2024
1	SARVCON TRAINING AND CONSULTANTS PVT.LTD.	Receivables	-
2	TRUEBLUE TOURS AND TAXI PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	0
3	SHREE SANWARE ORGANIC PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	-
4	CLIMAX TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	-

March 31, 2023

S No.	Name of struck off company	Nature of transactions	Balance outstanding as of March 31, 2023
1	ONLINE MANOJ PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	0
2	P C PATEL AGRO FARM PVT LTD	Receivables	0
3	SOLRAD (OPC) PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	0
4	TRUEBLUE TOURS AND TAXI PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	0
5	WORKOLEX SERVICES (OPC) PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	0
6	CLIMAX TECHNOLOGIES PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	-
7	SARVCON TRAINING AND CONSULTANTS PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	-
8	SHREE SANWARE ORGANIC PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	-
9	SOLARS4U INFRATECH PRIVATE LIMITED	Receivables	-



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38 Events after the reporting period

i) Subsequent to year ended March 31, 2024, the Company has redeemed 20,000 listed, unsecured, Non-Convertible Debentures ('NCDs'), of face value of Rs. 1 Mn each aggregating to Rs. 20,000 million with interest of Rs. 1,180 million on April 30, 2024.

ii) Subsequent to year ended March 31, 2024, the Company has completed its Initial Public Offering of an offer for sale by Telecommunications Consultants India Limited (selling shareholder) of 75,000,000 equity shares of Rs. 5 each at a premium of Rs. 565 per share aggregating to Rs. 42,750 million. The equity shares are listed and traded on BSE Limited and National Stock Exchange of India Limited with effect from April 12, 2024.

