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**Sub: Press Release**

Dear Sir / Madam,

We are enclosing herewith a press release titled 'Bharti and Reliance Jio announce agreement for international data connectivity' being issued by the Company.

Kindly take the same on record.

Thanking you,

Sincerely Yours,

**For Bharti Airtel Limited**

**Sd/-  
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Dy. Company Secretary**

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**Bharti Airtel Limited**

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## Bharti and Reliance Jio announce agreement for international data connectivity

- *Reliance Jio to utilise dedicated fiber pair on Bharti's i2i submarine cable that connects India and Singapore*
- *State-of-the-art i2i cable system will provide Reliance Jio direct access and ultra fast connectivity to major hubs across Asia Pacific*

**New Delhi, April 23, 2013** – Bharti Airtel Limited (“Bharti”), a leading global telecom services provider with operations in 20 countries across Asia and Africa, and Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited (“Reliance Jio”) today announced that they have signed an Indefeasible Right to Use (IRU) Agreement, under which Bharti will provide Reliance Jio data capacity on its i2i submarine cable.

i2i connects India to Singapore and is wholly owned by Bharti. The state-of-the-art cable consists of eight fiber pairs using DWDM (Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing), capable of supporting multiple terabits of capacity per fiber pair. Its landing points are at Chennai in India and Tuas in Singapore. Reliance Jio will utilize a dedicated fiber pair on i2i. The high speed link will enable Reliance Jio to extend its network and service reach to customers across Asia Pacific region. It will connect Reliance Jio directly to the world’s major business hubs and ISPs, thereby, helping the operator to meet the bandwidth demand and provide ultra fast data experience to its customers.

The deal marks Reliance Jio’s continued efforts to rapidly grow and expand both its international and domestic network and infrastructure by building an ecosystem with multiple carriers and service providers.

Bharti and Reliance Jio will continue to build on this strategic framework and consider other mutual areas of cooperation and development to leverage their respective assets towards offering their customers a much richer experience.

Bharti’s global network runs across 225,000 Rkms, covering 50 countries and 5 continents. It includes ownership of i2i submarine cable system connecting Chennai to Singapore, consortium ownership of SMW4 submarine cable system connecting Chennai and Mumbai to Singapore and Europe, and new cable system investments like Asia America Gateway (AAG), India Middle East & Western Europe (IMEWE), Unity, EIG (Europe India Gateway) and East Africa Submarine System (EASSy). It also has terrestrial express connectivity to neighboring countries including Nepal, Pakistan, Bhutan and China.

### About Bharti Airtel Limited

Bharti Airtel Limited is a leading global telecommunications company with operations in 20 countries across Asia and Africa. Headquartered in New Delhi, India, the company ranks amongst the top 4 mobile service providers globally in terms of subscribers. In India, the company's product offerings include 2G, 3G and 4G wireless services, mobile commerce, fixed line services, high speed DSL broadband, IPTV, DTH, enterprise services including national &



international long distance services to carriers. In the rest of the geographies, it offers 2G, 3G wireless services and mobile commerce. Bharti Airtel had over 269 million customers across its operations at the end of March 2013. To know more please visit, [www.airtel.com](http://www.airtel.com)

#### **About Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited**

Reliance Jio Infocomm Limited (RJIL), a subsidiary of Reliance Industries Limited (RIL), India's largest private sector company, is the only pan India operator with Broadband Wireless Access ('BWA') spectrum across 22 circles capable of offering fourth generation (4G) wireless services. With a portfolio of products to include high speed broadband connectivity, communications, entertainment, and cloud services, RJIL plans to deliver integrated digital services across the nation.

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