

# Harris Stratex Networks to Supply India's First Urban Mobile WiMAX Network

# Harris Stratex and ICOMM have entered into an agreement to supply mobile WiMAX technology to BSNL

**RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. – Aug. 11, 2009** – Harris Stratex Networks, Inc. (NASDAQ: HSTX), a leading provider of wireless solutions that enable the evolution of next-generation fixed and mobile broadband networks, today announced it has signed a contract with ICOMM, one of India's leading groups in the field of telecom, power transmission and distribution EPC, solar and infrastructure, to supply, install, commission and maintain an IEEE 802.16e mobile WiMAX network for Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd (BSNL). Under the multi-year contract, Harris Stratex will supply its StarMAX<sup>™</sup> WiMAX solution to extend BSNL's public wireless access network to provide high-speed wireless mobility services to enterprise and retail customers in urban areas across the southern Indian state of Kerala.

Under the agreement, Harris Stratex will supply its StarMAX WiMAX Forum Certified<sup>™</sup> IEEE 802.162005 base stations, along with solutions for access services network (ASN) gateway; home agent; authentication, authorization and accounting; and network management system. Customer premises equipment and subscriber units will be supplied by ICOMM, along with deployment and project management services.

Formed in 2000, BSNL is the world's seventh-largest telecommunications company and provides a comprehensive range of telecom services to 7,330 cities and towns, and 550,000 villages across India. In 2008, the government of India awarded BSNL 20MHz of spectrum in the 2.5 GHz band, enabling the operator to introduce mobile WiMAX to expand the reach of its broadband network to deliver services to India's un-served and under-served communities, including rural and urban areas. The contract award to ICOMM and Harris Stratex will enable broadband services to be deployed throughout the state of Kerala, India's fourth largest telecom market by revenue with a population of more than 35 million people in an area of 38,000 square kilometers. This mobile WiMAX rollout by BSNL will represent one of the largest deployments of this technology in the world.

"We are excited to work with Harris Stratex as a part of BSNL's landmark WiMAX network deployment. By combining ICOMM's infrastructure build-out expertise with Harris Stratex' sophisticated end-to-end 802.16e WiMAX solutions and top-tier customer focus, we will enable BSNL to provide its broadband users highly-reliable high-speed mobile broadband services," said C.S. Rao, chairman, ICOMM.

"We greatly appreciate BSNL's strategic leadership in India and its efforts to help the government reach its target of 20 million broadband subscribers by 2010, and are extremely proud to be a part of this very important undertaking," said Harald Braun, president and CEO, Harris Stratex. "We are thrilled to work with ICOMM to deploy one of the world's largest, most sophisticated 4G WiMAX networks for BSNL."

The StarMAX platform is the result of the March 2, 2009 acquisition of Telsima Corporation by Harris Stratex Networks and includes an extensive portfolio of IEEE 802.16d-2004 and 16e-2005 compatible base stations, fixed and mobile subscriber devices, ASN gateway solutions, home agent and network management tools. The StarMAX product is part of Harris Stratex' complete end-to-end broadband network portfolio, which also includes high-speed IP wireless backhaul, advanced core network elements, umbrella network management and service assurance, and complete turnkey services from network design and deployment, to full network operations center managed network services. For more information on the Harris Stratex WiMAX product portfolio, please <u>click here</u>.

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#### About Harris Stratex Networks, Inc.

Harris Stratex Networks, Inc. is a leading provider of wireless solutions that enable the evolution of next-generation fixed and mobile broadband networks. The company offers reliable, flexible and scalable wireless network solutions, backed by comprehensive professional services and support. Harris Stratex Networks serves all global markets, including mobile network operators, public safety agencies, private network operators, utility and transportation companies, government agencies and broadcasters. Customers in more than 135 countries depend on Harris Stratex Networks to build, expand and upgrade their voice, data and video solutions. Harris Stratex Networks is recognized around the world for innovative, best-in-class wireless networking solutions and services. For more information, visit <u>www.HarrisStratex.com</u>.

#### About ICOMM

The ICOMM is one of India's leading groups in the field of manufacturing, integrated management and infrastructure development having its manufacturing facilities spread across 120 acres of land with 900,000 Sq.ft of built-up area. The

company is having state-of-the-art conductors, transformers, solar manufacturing & a world's largest capacity of tower manufacturing facility of 250,000MT per annum, back integrated with a fully equipped Galvanizing, Rolling & fastener's manufacturing to meet the market demands of telecom, Power, Infrastructure and Solar Sectors. It is public limited company and began operations in 1989 and has gradually embarked on a process of diversification which now covers a total of 12 business areas divided into four major sectors:

- Telecom Infrastructure
- Power
- Infrastructure
- Renewable Energy

A strategically-based company with international presence in more than 4 countries, ICOMM has made an indelible mark in Telecom & Power sectors by constantly and consistently re-engineering itself to retain its position of leadership in the areas of quality, technology, capacity and capability. Its workforce of 2,700 professionals, committed to the corporate philosophy, uphold the group's values of innovation, sustainability and total quality in all its actions. For more information, visit <u>www.icommtele.com</u>.

## About BSNL

Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd, formed in October 2000, is the world's seventh-largest telecommunications company. It provides a comprehensive range of telecom services in India, including wireline, CDMA mobile, GSM mobile, internet, broadband, carrier service, MPLS-VPN, VSAT, VoIP services, IN services and more. In nine years, it has become one of the largest public sector units in India having net fixed assets valuing more than US \$13.67 billion, net worth of US \$22.02 billion, Equity Share Capital of US \$1.25 billion and Revenues of US \$ 9.51 billion in 2007-08.

#### Trademarks

StarMAX<sup>™</sup> is a trademark of Harris Stratex Networks. All other trademarks are property of their respective owners.

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