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Equity Market Indicators					
Index	**Closing Level (11/5/2010)**	**% Change 1 Week Ago**	**% Change 1 Month Ago**	**% Change 12/31/2009**	**% Change 12/31/2008**
S&P 500	1,225.85	3.6%	7.8%	9.9%	35.7%
Dow Jones Industrial Avg.	11,444.08	2.9%	6.4%	9.7%	30.4%
Dow Jones Tech. Index	438.92	3.1%	9.2%	9.0%	74.6%
Dow Jones Telecom. Index	240.51	1.9%	4.9%	9.6%	20.4%
NASDAQ Composite	2,578.98	2.9%	10.0%	13.7%	63.5%
Japan Nikkei 225	9,625.99	1.4%	2.6%	-8.7%	8.7%
JASDAQ	46.67	-3.1%	-2.0%	-3.5%	-3.2%
Japan Mothers	355.37	-3.3%	-3.7%	-14.6%	9.9%
Korea KOSPI Composite	1,938.96	4.5%	3.2%	15.2%	72.4%
Korea Kosdaq	528.66	8.4%	7.1%	2.9%	59.2%
Taiwan Stock Exchange	8,449.34	3.2%	2.5%	3.2%	84.0%
Singapore Straight Times	3,699.71	1.7%	1.2%	23.7%	110.0%
Hong Kong Hang Seng	24,876.82	12.5%	10.0%	13.7%	72.9%
Hong Kong GEM	837.77	4.4%	2.8%	23.7%	117.3%
China Shanghai (A-Share)	3,278.45	19.8%	17.8%	-4.6%	71.5%
China Shenzhen (A-Share)	1,415.07	16.2%	15.7%	12.2%	143.3%
China Shanghai (B-Share)	309.20	19.4%	17.7%	22.5%	178.8%
China Shenzhen (B-Share)	871.43	17.5%	14.4%	39.2%	221.2%

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Technology, Media, Telecommunications and Life Sciences Market Activity

NASDAQ/NYSE TMT and Life Sciences IPO Filings

Filing Date	Issuer	Industry Sector	Size (US$MM)	Description	Book-Runner	Co-Manager
N/A						

NASDAQ/NYSE Equity Markets: TMT and Life Sciences IPO Pricing

IPO Date	Issuer (Exchange)	Description	Size (US$MM)	Offer Price	Price on 2/15/08	% Change From Offer
N/A						

Asian Equity Markets: TMT and Life Sciences IPO Filings

Filing Date	Issuer	Industry Sector	Size (US$MM)	Description	Book-Runner	Co-Manager
N/A						

Asian Equity Markets: TMT and Life Sciences IPO Pricing

IPO Date	Issuer (Exchange)	Description	Size (US$MM)	Offer Price	Price on 2/15/08	% Change From Offer
N/A						

Asian Markets: TMT and Life Sciences Convertibles

Issuance Date	Issuer [Equity Ticker]	Description of Issuer	Maturity Date	Size (US$MM)	Per US$10,000 converts to	Convertible Until
N/A						

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Weekly Highlights

International

Mobile/ Wireless

- **Smartphone sales surged to 95 percent year-on-year to 81 million units in third quarter as price is expected to increase in 2011 due to the accelerating growth from the mid-range of the market, research firm Canalys said**. Sales of Android smartphones boosted to 20 million units from 1.4 million units a year earlier, even though Samsung Electronics, Sony Ericsson and China's Huawei Technologies are active in the competition. Nokia still had its market-leading position with a 33 percent global market share, as Android, iPhone-maker Apple. had 17 percent market share, and Blackberry-maker RIM, had a 15 percent share of the global smartphone market.
- **According to ABI Research, total mobile handset shipments will generate 1.34 billion by the end of this year and over 1.7 billion by the year 2015**. Handset sales will boost 9 percent this year from 2009 in Asia-Pacific. China is a major source of handset demand, while India and Indonesia are also surging their domestic demand. The Indian handset market will surge from 84.3 million handsets in 2009 to 104 million this year. In Indonesia, 33 million handsets were bought in 2009 and will surpass 37 million by the end of this year. Nokia expects its market-share steadily eroded in the mid to high tiers as India's and Indonesia's middle classes purchase high-end feature phones and smartphones. Vendors such as Samsung, LG and RIM have been net beneficiaries.

Japan

Hardware

- **Japan's domestic shipments of 3-D televisions came to 131,000 units in the April-September period, or 1.3 percent of all flat-panel TVs shipped, the Japan Electronics and Information Technology Industries Association said.** Since many 3-D TVs are large, they accounted for 4.1 percent of shipments of models 37 inches and up. Data covered Panasonic, Sony, Sharp and Toshiba and incorporated models requiring separately sold 3-D glasses. Shipments of 3-D-capable personal computers were at 18,000 units in the June-September period, or 0.5 percent of total PC shipments. The data covered NEC, Fujitsu, Toshiba and Onkyo, which have launched 3-D PCs since June.

Telecommunications

- **Jupiter Telecommunications Co. (JCOM) will enable customers to watch cable television programs on various electronic devices, including smartphones with no additional charge starting around 2011**. The company will initially launch a service in which customers can record TV programs on their cable converter boxes and transmit them within their homes via Wi-Fi networks. JCOM hopes to make it possible for users to watch recorded shows outdoors on their mobile phones and PCs, in addition to receiving content directly through an on-demand service.
- **Pacnet named Hirofumi Tadokoro as chief executive officer of Pacnet Japan.** CEO Hideo Ishii already resigned, who has joined Pacnet's corporate headquarters in Singapore as vice president of cloud and IP services.
- **Softbank's net income and sales surged in the first half ended 30 September driven by the mobile segment**. Net sales surged by 8.6 percent to 1.47 trillion yen (US$18 billion) due to

accelerated revenue at the mobile communications unit on strong growth in the number of subscribers combined with increases in ARPU and the number of mobile handsets shipped. Operating income boosted 36.8 percent to 315.52 billion yen (US$3.8 billion) and ordinary income surged 46.3 percent to 253.84 billion yen (US$3.1 billion). Softbank generated net income of 76.84 billion yen (US$945 million). The mobile communications segment generated net sales of 940.04 billion yen (US$11.6 billion) as operating income was 207.20 billion yen (US$2.5 billion). Softbank Mobile added 1.59 million new customers due to the iPhone, which reach a total of 23.47 million mobile customers. Broadband sales were at 97.37 billion yen (US$1.2 billion). Operating income decreased 15.9 percent year-on-year to 22.70 billion yen (US$279 million).

Internet

- **Facebook is venturing with Japan's biggest, mixi Inc.** Both companies added a new feature that lets their respective users share information, links, videos and photos.

Media, Entertainment and Gaming

- **Impress Holdings Inc had consolidated net profit for the April-September first half in Japan topped to 100 million yen (US$1.2 million).** Brisk book sales and a smaller-than-expected decline in advertising revenue appear to have lifted its net profit for the interim period. Sales might be mostly unchanged on the year at just over 8.5 billion yen (US$105 million). Magazine sales were dismal, but books for smartphones flew off the shelves. Impress' digital advertising operations also showed revenue growth. Efforts to trim payroll costs and other fixed expenses, as well its withdrawal from certain unprofitable segments, also paid off.

Internet

- **Japan is a strategic market for Google cloud services according to a company executive**. Google will make it easier for businesses to deploy its cloud computing services by strengthening security for workers who access them via mobile phone, Dave Girouard, president of the company's enterprise division said. The company will make its cloud-based Google Apps services from smartphones convenient, running the firm's Android operating system more securely. Google will promote its cloud services to major corporations as well as government entities. The company should merge with cellular phone service providers.

Korea

Media, Gaming and Entertainment

- **South Korean online game makers have become acquisition targets of Chinese firms as Beijing's online game market grows in a highly accelerating mode**. Shanda Interactive Entertainment Ltd. will acquire Korea's Eyedentity Games Inc. for US$95 million. Shanda bought a 29-percent stake in another South Korean game developer, Actoz Soft Co, for US$91.7 million. Actoz's online role-playing game Legend of Mir 2 was well received across Asia. Tencent Holdings Ltd. invested 20 billion won (US$18 million) in seven South Korean game developers. According to market researcher Niko Partners, the online game market in China is set to nearly triple to US$9.2 billion in annual revenue by 2014.

- **NHN Corp.'s third-quarter net profit boosted 21 percent to 129.3 billion won (US$114 million) from a year ago due to accelerating revenue from its search advertisement**. Sales boosted 10.2 percent to 320.4 billion won (US$289 million) as operating profit also rose 16 percent to 148.5 billion won (US$134 million).

Hardware

- **Samsung Electronics Co.'s third-quarter earnings rose 17.1 percent from a year earlier, due to strong memory-chip and handset business**. Net profit was at 4.46 trillion won (US$3.96 billion) in the July-September period with a 4.2 percent increase. The bottom line declined short of the market consensus of 4.5 trillion won (US$4.05 billion) polled by Yonhap Infomax. Sales rose 12.1 percent from a year ago to 40.23 trillion won (US$36.3 billion) in the last quarter. Operating profit boosted 15.2 percent on-year to 4.86 trillion won (US$4.4 billion), but declined 3 percent from a record 5.01 trillion won (US$4.5 billion) three months earlier.

Telecommunications

- **LG Uplus Corp ventured with Facebook Inc. to allow subscribers of LG Uplus access to Facebook from their mobile phones without paying wireless data fees for six months through April**. The Facebook service will come preloaded on mobile phones operated by LG Uplus. LG Uplus will also offer an automatic short message service, forwarding alerts and messages from Facebook to mobile phones. Both will introduce other jointly developed mobile services that mesh music, video or location-based services with social networking. Facebook hopes to expand its service in the Asian country, where more than 80 percent of the population are Internet users and one person has more than one cell phone on average.
- **Daum Communications Corp.'s third-quarter earnings more than quadrupled from a year ago on the proceeds from the sale of its U.S. search engine unit.** Net profit was at 56.24 billion won (US$50.35 million) in the July-September period with sales surged 40.4 percent on year to 86.2 billion won (US$77.7 million) in the same period. Operating profit stood at 26.1 billion won (US$23.5 million). In August this year, Daum sold Lycos Inc. to India-based Ybrant Media Acquisition Inc. at US$36 million.

China

Internet

- **Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. will further develop its business-to-consumer online retail business**. Business-to-consumer transactions account for just a small portion of the overall market, but analysts expect share to boost due to surging demand of shoppers for goods online from brands and retailers they recognize. Taobao.com separated the Taobao Mall business-to-consumer portal from its flagship consumer-to-consumer portal and gave it its own web address, Tmall.com. Users could still access Taobao Mall, on which Adidas AG, Fast Retailing Co.'s Uniqlo and Lenovo Group Ltd. sell goods to Chinese consumers, via Taobao.com. Taobao.com Chief Financial Officer Daniel Zhang said Taobao Mall listings will continue to be in Taobao.com search results, but this aims to differentiate the Taobao Mall brand.
- **China's internet video market is now at 1.78 billion yuan (US$266.56 million), according to Pang Jingjun, vice director of the Development and Research Center of the State Administration of Radio, Film and Television (SARFT).** The country's Internet video users

increased to 240 million, thanks to a boom in new video and audio media. The mobile TV service network using the domestically developed CMMB standard now covers 320 cities around the country. Over 500 websites have received licenses for broadcasting video and audio programs. Mobile TV, HDTV, IPTV, and internet TV are all enjoying great development momentum. The new audio and video media industry will emerge as a key strategic industry as China presses ahead with the strategy of integrating broadcasting, telecom and internet networks.

Telecommunications

- **Growing demand for high-speed Internet access in China is pushing global broadband subscriber growth in the second half of this year, according to iSuppli Corp**. After a seasonal dip in the second quarter, total new worldwide subscribers for DSL, cable and fiber high-speed Internet service will have increasing 5.8 percent to 16.5 million in the third quarter and will surge to 17.7 million in the fourth quarter. The country added about six million subscribers in the first quarter. iSuppli believes that there will be no broadband slowdown from the country. The Chinese government approved to create fiber broadband networks through government ministries. The plan called for US$22 billion of total investment in fiber networks, designed to establish more than 80 million fiber broadband ports by the end of next year.

Hardware

- **Acer will establish a second major operations center in China as it expects the growth of the global PC market in 2011 to surge.** The new center will have manufacturing, logistics and sales operations. Acer sees the non-tablet PC market to boost next year despite rising competition from Apple's iPad, Acer chairman JT Wang said. The non-tablet market might surge 30 percent to 411 million units from 315 million this year. The computer manufacturer expects its shipments of notebook and netbook PCs to rise 20-25 percent in 2011, and desktop PC shipments to rise 10-15 percent, according to chief executive Gianfranco Lanci. Acer will now launch its own line of tablet PCs in November using Microsoft's (MSFT) Windows platform, and another line that will use Google's Android platform next year, said Wang.

Alternative Energy

- **Sunergy CFO Siegfried Yi Chou Hsu stepped down.** He will be replaced by the general manager of finance at affiliate China Electric Equipment Group (CEEG), Yongfei Chen. China Sunergy shares a number of senior management with CEEG, like CEO Zhifeng Cai and Chairman Tingxiu Lu.
- **JinkoSolar earned net income of 259.5 million yuan (US$38.9 million) in the third quarter of 2010**. The company delivered a 134.8MW of solar products in the quarter. Total revenues were at 1.4 billion yuan (US$210 million). For the fourth quarter of 2010, JinkoSolar had shipments of 130-140MW, of which module shipments would account for 100-110MW, and revenues would reach US$210 million to US$220 million. The company had full year 2010 shipments of 448-458MW, including 257-267MW module shipments, to generate revenues of US$638 million to US$648 million. JinkoSolar sees to garner net proceeds of US$50.7 million from a follow-on offering of shares, to be used to fund capacity expansion plans.

Taiwan

Telecommunications

- **Taiwan's direct internet connection with eighteen countries reached a total bandwidth of 426.654 Gbps at the end of the third quarter, up by 3.66 percent from the second quarter and by 45.76 percent from the year-ago quarter, according to the Taiwan Network Information Center.** Chunghwa Telecom announced international internet bandwidth of 230.371 Gbps in Q3, followed by TWGate with 60.870 Gbps, and ncic (Sparq) with 32.997 Gbps. TFN saw international internet bandwidth of 28.841 Gbps, followed by CNS-KBT with 14.290 Gbps, NTT with 13.219 Gbps, So-net with 10 Gbps, AGC with 7.620 Gbps, ASNet with 6.244 Gbps, and TWAREN with international internet bandwidth of 5.699 Gbps.
- **Taiwan Mobile will reduce its paid-in capital by 10 percent.** The company's board has decided to reduce paid-in capital from NT$38 billion (US$1.3 billion) to NT$34.2 billion (US$1.1 billion). This will subject to shareholder approval.

Media, Gaming and Entertainment

- **Taiwan's Tsai family, the controlling shareholders of Fubon Financial and Taiwan Mobile, has offered to buy Carlyle Group's television unit Kbro for NT$36.1 billion (US$1.2 billion).** Daniel and Richard Tsai now lead Taiwan Mobile through Fubon Financial. Taiwan's National Communications Commission will establish a public hearing to get opinions from the people and from the industry on the deal. The regulator was still in its process of reviewing Carlyle's preposition to sell the cable television assets.

Hong Kong

Telecommunications

- **Pacnet has launched its Hong Kong data landing station, a carrier neutral data center facility with direct high-speed connectivity into Pacnet's pan-Asian subsea cable network**. This is the first of a series of data landing stations that will be rolled out across Asia Pacific as part of Pacnet's data center strategy. The Hong Kong data landing station is about 3,300 square feet and is a Tier III data center with direct connections to the EAC-C2C submarine cable.

Singapore/Malaysia/Philippines/Indonesia/India

Internet

- **Sify Technologies' revenues for the fiscal second-quarter ending September declined to US$38.16 million from US$38.69 million in the year-earlier quarter**. Enterprise services revenues surged to US$31.3 million from US$30.27 million, as consumer services revenues declined to US$3.03 million. The net loss surged to US$3.38 million. Ebitda amounted to US$0.62 million.
- **India e-shopping likely to touch US$500 million this Diwali according to Indian peak chamber Assocham**. The items that might be shopped will encompass electronic items, idols of Gods and Goddesses, sweets, flowers, clothes and jewelry. People from Gujarat are taking lead in ordering their Diwali requirements of consumer durables online followed by Maharashtrian, Sindhi's and Punjabi. India's largest portal rediff.com has launched a special shopping store for Diwali gifts accessible at diwaligifts.rediff.com for online shopping.

Mobile/ Wireless

- **India could save INR100,000 crore (US$22.6 billion) per year just by adopting the electronic payment method**. According to McKinsey, an electronic platform for government payments to and from individual households could save an estimated INR100,000 crore (US$22.6 billion). In the inclusive growth and financial security, a nationwide e-payment system could theoretically pay for itself in just one year as the one time cost of setting up a national e-payment infrastructure is just around Rs 70,000 crore (US$15.9 billion).

Telecommunications

- **Globe Telecom ended the January-September period with a net income of P7.4 billion (US$169 million), down by 24 percent year-on-year from P9.9 billion (US$43.8 mm).** Excluding foreign exchange and mark-to-market gains and losses as well as non-recurring items, core net income stood at P7.1 billion (US$167 million). Globe's consolidated service revenues for the nine months were at P45.8 billion (US$1.07 billion). Globe's total subscriber base was at 25.4 million as of end-September. Revenues from the broadband and fixed line data businesses still had their double-digit year-on-year growth of 84 percent and 18 percent, respectively. The company had four consecutive quarters of growth in its mobile subscriber base.
- **Smart Communications will further develop its network capacity to meet increased demand for mobile broadband services**. Smart has around 7 million subscribers who access internet services using their prepaid or postpaid subscription as high speed wireless broadband subsidiary Smart Broadband (Smart Bro) has over 1.3 million subscribers.
- **Philippine Long Distance Telephone Company's unaudited consolidated reported net income hit the P32 billion (US$755.7 million) mark for the first nine months of the year**. Core net income for the first three quarters of 2010, net of exceptional items, surged two percent to P31.4 billion (US$737 million). Consolidated service revenues fell by one percent to P106.7 billion (US$2.5 billion). This represents a 20 percent boost in combined fixed and wireless broadband revenue, a 12-percent acceleration in cellular voice revenues and an 18-percent surge in revenues from fixed data and other network services to third parties and a 13-percent deceleration in cellular text revenues; and a 34-percent decline in NLD revenues.
- **BSNL and Datacraft Asia will open data centers in six regions with an investment of INR200 crore (US$45 million).** The contract is valid for 10 years. BSNL will sponsor the infrastructure base to Datacraft in turn the IT firm will provide services like IT systems, cloud computing under the brand "onecloud" to clients. The data centers will be ready within the next six months. The agreement sees for Datacraft to build, operate and manage six strategic data centers in Jaipur, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Ludhiana, Ghaziabad and Faridabad Datacraft Asia COO Dilip Kumar said. It will soon expand to Hyderabad, Tiruchi, Ranchi and Bangalore.
- **India's GTL Infrastructure Ltd. had less net loss for its fiscal second quarter due to foreign-exchange gain.** The company that leases telecommunications towers and other infrastructure to mobile-phone operators had a net loss of INR161.7 million (US$3.7 million) on a standalone basis in the quarter. Sales boosted to INR1.17 billion (US$26.7 million). On a consolidated basis, Ebita stood at INR1.48 billion (US$33.7 million) on revenue of INR2.58 billion (US$58.8 million), GTL said. The company had a foreign-exchange gain of INR269.2 million (US$6.1 million) in the past quarter. Its total costs boosted to INR1.02 billion (US$23.2 million) due to a 42 percent boost in infrastructure

and maintenance costs to INR354.3 million (US$8.07 million) and a 63 percent jump in interest and finance charges to INR638.8 million (US$14.5 million).

- **Bharti Airtel named two executives to steer network and internal assurance functions across 16 countries in Africa.** Tay Kim Lee will become the Director of Internal Assurance, as Eben Albertyn will be the Chief Technical Officer (CTO) role, Bharti Airtel said. The company bought Kuwait-based Zain Telecom's African business for US$10.7 billion. Bharti Airtel has operations in Burkina Faso, Chad, Congo Brazzaville, Democratic Republic of Congo, Gabon, Ghana, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Niger, Nigeria, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. The incoming CTO will be charged with instituting and maintaining a robust network enhancement plan in line with the next evolution in network systems. As Internal Assurance Director, Lee will be improving the control environment and corporate governance processes while identifying opportunities and implementing action will ensure efficiency of services. The closure of the Zain deal means that Bharti has received all the approvals from the governments and regulators of each of these 15 nations.
- **Tata Communications had a consolidated net loss of INR213.5 crore (US$48.30 million) for the quarter ended September 30, 2010.** The Tata Group posted a net loss of INR155.5 crore (US$35.4 million) for the same period last year. The company's total income, however, increased by 8.82 percent to INR2,960.7 crore (US$674 million). While Tata Communications' global voice solutions division contributed INR1,616.8 crore (US$368.1 million) to total revenue, its global data and managed services vertical accounted for INR1,139.4 crore (US$259 million) in the second quarter of the ongoing fiscal. The company also had a net forex gain of INR39.0 crore (US$8.9 million) in the reporting quarter. In contrast, it had suffered a net forex loss of INR2.98 crore (US$.7 million) in Q210.
- **PT Trikomsel Oke had a 72.83 percent surge in net profit to Rp156.95 billion (US$3.6 billion) in the first nine months of this year over the same period last year**. Cell phone sales had mostly caused the surge in profit. In the third quarter, its net income decelerated to Rp3.82 trillion (US$87 billion). The company leads 766 retail outlets to be boosted to 1,000 units next year.
- **Wahana Mediatama has launched its first edition of Forbes Indonesia, which is expected to invade the country's business media market**. The magazine is aimed at the business community in Indonesia, namely businessmen, upper class managers and business leaders. The presence of the magazine was a result of the still small number of independent business magazines that cover Indonesia totally. The monthly Forbes Indonesia would be absorbed by wide members of the Indonesian business community. Indonesia was the fifth country in Asia chosen to publish the magazine after Forbes Asia, Forbes China, Forbes India and Forbes Korea.
- **Hutchison Telecom said that it will not sell its local mobile business unit to Thai state-owned telecommunications provider CAT Telecom for anything less than US$220 million**. The company criticized Information and Communications Technology minister Juti Kririksh for proposing a takeover price of only THB 4 billion (US$135 million), calling such a figure impossible and saying it would prefer instead to let the technology die in peace. CAT has been trying for more than three years to buy the Hutch network in 25 provinces in the central region for THB 7.5 billion (US$252 million). The state telecommunication enterprise wants to merge its CDMA 2000 1-X networks with Hutch for a single nationwide network. Kririksh and the State Enterprise Policy Office recently came out to oppose the plan, saying the network is worth only THB 4 billion (US$135 million). That amount is based on what CAT spent on building its own CDMA network in 51 provinces.

- **TOT will have bureaucratic delays to slow the development of its expanded 3G mobile broadband network beyond the launch originally planned, said the Bangkok Post.** The cabinet approved TOT to pursue with the network after attempts to auction commercial 3G licences collapsed. Ministers lessened the budget to THB 19 billion (US$640 million). Management will update the board regarding the 3G plan. Bidders will surrender applications on 8 December and those accepted in screening would be named later in the month. Bid prices would be reviewed from 31 December to 5 January, and contracts signed by the end of January.
- **Advanced Info Service PCL's third-quarter net profit surge 17 percent due to mobile data as its growing customer base increasingly switches to smartphones**. For the July to September period, the company generated net profit of THB4.89 billion (US$164.2 million). Revenue during the quarter surged to THB27.64 billion (US$937 million). Costs boosted THB17.18 billion (US$582 million). Thailand's mobile phone market is already saturated, prompting private operators to pursue campaigns to encourage subscribers to use data content. The company is maintaining its 2010 projections including service-revenue growth of 5 percent with growth momentum will soon subside in the fourth quarter. It also forecasts free cash flow growth of 18 percent from a year earlier, as capital expenditure for the year is unchanged at THB6.2 billion (US$210 million).

Media, Gaming and Entertainment

- **NDTV had net loss of INR67.63 crore (US$15.2 million) for the second quarter**. The company had net loss of INR85.59 crore (US$19.5 million) in the corresponding period last year. NDTV registered income from operations of INR78.48 crore (US$17.8 million) for Q2 FY11. NDTV purchased 51 percent stake in NDTV Studios Ltd from NDTV Group Employees' Trust.
- **Jagran Prakashan Ltd boosted 10.40 percent in its consolidated net profit at INR55.50 crore (US$12.4 million) for the quarter ended September 30**. This is against a consolidated net profit of INR50.27 crore (US$11.4 million) last year. Total revenue was at INR276.85 crore (US$63 million) for the July-September quarter. Advertising revenues surged 12.74 percent at INR193.47 crore (US$44 million), circulation revenues were at INR54.82 crore (US$12.5 million) for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Event and outdoor revenues were at INR20.81 crore (US$4.7 million) for the quarter.
- **Zee Entertainment Enterprises had a consolidated net profit of INR216.3 crore (US$48.5 million) for the quarter ended September 30, 2010.** This is against a consolidated net profit of INR111 crore (US$25 million) for the same period last year. Total revenue was at INR711.57 crore (US$162 million) for Q211 as against INR540.5 crore (US$121.7 million) registered in the same quarter last fiscal. The numbers include financials of Taj TV, regional general entertainment channel business acquired from Zee News, 9X business and ETC Network and therefore the numbers are not comparable. While advertising revenues stood at INR412.2 crore (US$93 million), subscription revenues stood at INR273.7 crore (US$62 million) for the quarter ended September 30, 2010. Subscription revenues from domestic DTH business (Dish TV) was at INR78.7 crore (US$18 million) during the reported quarter.

Hardware

- **Six of the erstwhile senior officials of the Satyam BPO, including its former CEO Venkatesh Roddam and ex-CFO Satyanarayana Mudunuri opened an animation company, VenSat**. Roddam said the Bangalore-based Indo-US venture partners invested in the range of US$5 million in the company to drive its operations and growth including six projects the company currently undertook, at an estimated cost of US$10 million. The company would launch its office Ascendas V Park in Chennai later this month. Vensat had executed graphics in the Rajnitkanth-starrer box-office hit Robot (Endhiran in Tamil), Telugu-flick "Komuram Puli", and Bollywood blockbuster 'Dabangg' among others.

United States/Canada

Hardware

- **Garmin Ltd. is leaving the smartphone business as it struggled in its competition with a handset released a year ago**. Garmin launched its own branded handset in the U.S. as it competes with smartphones from other manufacturers that offer built-in GPS features. But the Garmin device was judged to be too expensive at US$299 and failed to make an impact in a crowded market. Garmin announced that net profit rose 30 percent in the quarter to US$280 million as revenue declined 12 percent to US$692 million. Revenue from its automotive and mobile segment declined 19 percent to US$442 million as outdoor and fitness revenue surged 9 percent to US$144 million.

Media, Entertainment and Gaming

- **Time Warner Inc. exceeded analysts' third-quarter profit estimates on higher TV licensing and advertising sales**. Net income for the third quarter declined to US$522 million. Adjusted earnings exclude a US$295 million loss from buying back debt. Revenue surged 1.8 percent to US$6.38 billion. Advertising sales surged at the cable channels and the Time Inc. magazines like Fortune and Sports Illustrated. Earnings at the Warner Bros. studio declined less that the expected due to lower ticket sales by network syndication sales of programs such as "Two and a Half Men". Warner Bros. generated US$460.1 million at the box office in the third quarter with the release of "Inception," according to researcher Box Office Mojo.

Telecommunications

- **Telus Corp. had its earnings guidance for the year surge as it also boosted its quarterly dividend by 5 percent.** Third-quarter wireless subscriptions boosted to 22 percent on the back of more higher-valued smartphone subscribers. Net wireless subscriber additions was at 153,000, including 132,000 postpaid, with smartphones representing 38 percent of postpaid gross additions, surge from 22 percent a year earlier. Net earnings declined to C$247 million (US$247 million). Telus generated US$286 million. Revenue surge 2 percent to C$2.46 billion (US$2.5 billion). Telus still had wireless and wireline data revenue growth for the improvement. Free cash flow boosted 27 percent to C$339 million (US$339 million). Rivals BCE Inc. and Rogers Communications Inc. have had posted their third-quarter results. BCE had revenue growth on wireless as it had higher-value subscribers and better wireline results in the wake of cost cuts. Rogers had its best quarter yet for wireless smartphone activations, aiding in surging revenue by 3 percent.

Internet

- **Google Inc. had 40 acquisitions worth US$1.6 billion during the first nine months of 2010, as the company ramped up its investments in new talent and technologies**. Google's largest three deals include mobile advertising start-up AdMob for US$681 million, social networking app developer Slide for US$179 million and video software maker On2 Technologies for US$123 million. The company had 37 other deals worth a total of US$626 million. The numbers don't include ITA Software, which Google will buy for US$700 million in July. Google sees the agreement to close in the first half of 2011. The number of deals means Google is willing to invest in top-level talent and new technologies which aids to maintain its lead in the search market and push into new emerging opportunities, such as display and mobile advertising.

- **AOL Inc. had doubled third-quarter profit due to gains on asset sales, as search and display advertising sales still declined**. Net income surged US$171.6 million. Sales declined 26 percent to US$563.5 million. Chief Executive Officer Tim Armstrong hopes to reignite ad sales growth with the acquisition of news blog TechCrunch Inc. U.S. display ads declined 7.6 percent. Domestic display ad sales also declined 6.7 percent in the second quarter as it declined 9.7 percent in the first quarter. The net income surged due to gains from the sales of investments in Kayak and ICQ.
- **YouTube co-founder Chad Hurley resigned as the head of the online video-sharing site bought by Google Inc. for US$1.65 billion in 2006**. He will be replaced by vice president Kamangar. Google will not release revenue results for YouTube, as senior executives said that revenues from display advertising at the service is boosting and hopes to have near profitability. YouTube is now adding professional content like full-length television shows and movies to its vast trove of amateur video offerings in a bid to attract advertisers.

Investments/ Ventures

- **Andreessen Horowitz LLC generated US$650 million for a second fund to invest in startups.** Andreessen Horowitz invested in companies like Skype Technologies SA and Foursquare. The Menlo Park will invest in similar startups with the new funds it raised. Andreessen, 39, and Horowitz, 44, started out with a US$300 million fund last year. Bloomberg LP is an investor in Andreessen Horowitz.

Software

- **Microsoft Corp. will acquire Canesta Inc.** Microsoft will launch a new line of products, dubbed Kinect, that incorporate motion-based game play into its Xbox 360 videogame console. Microsoft had exceeded the expected earnings. The company had sales of the Xbox 360 boost by 38 percent.

Semiconductors

- **Qualcomm Inc. had better-than-expected fourth-quarter results and forward-looking guidance as the chip maker continues to benefit from soaring demand for mobile devices**. Qualcomm and Broadcom Corp. have benefited from their high exposure to the sweet spot for consumers like in smartphones and other mobile devices. Qualcomm hyped technology used in many 3G cell phones, as it provides chips for the next-generation mobile broadband network known as Long-Term Evolution. Qualcomm sees to still have accelerating growth in shipments of code division multiple access-based devices, including smartphones and other data-centric devices, in the new year due to the global adoption of 3G and accelerating consumer demand for wireless data.

Europe

Mobile/ Wireless

- **The number of mobile phone customers in France surge in the third quarter of 2010, according to Arcep.** There were 62.59 million mobile clients in France, 635,7000 at least at the end of June. The number of customers was up 4.9 percent from the previous year. The penetration rate surge to 97 percent from 96 percent in the second quarter. The last three months of a year is the strongest quarter in terms of mobile client additions. In metropolitan France, which excludes overseas departments and territories, the market share of mobile virtual network operators, or MVNOs, rose slightly to 6.34 percent from 6.32 percent at the end of June. MVNOs rent network capacity from the country's three big carriers; France Telecom SA's Orange, Vivendi SA's SFR and Bouygues SA's Bouygues Telecom.

Telecommunications

- **Iomart Group PLC acquired Titan Internet Ltd, which was worth GBP4.2 million (US$6.8 million).** The acquisition hopes to boost profits, and cost savings, according to Iomart. Iomart also hopes to surge Titan's Ebitda margin, which now stands at around 19 percent. According to Finance Director Richard Logan, the company centered on managed hosting at Titan, which resembled very much like Iomart. The Titan will still be the brand.

Media, Gaming and Entertainment

- **ProSiebenSat.1 Media AG reported better-than-estimated third-quarter operating profit and sales on higher advertising revenue**. EBITDA boosted 64 percent to 154.9 million euros (US$217.7 million). Revenue surged 12 percent to 626.9 million euros (US$885.2 million). The broadcaster is taking advantage the surging ad sales as companies expanded marketing budgets as the economy bounces back. Global ad expenditure this year surged 4.8 percent. ProSiebenSat.1 had strong third-quarter results, said Citigroup analysts.

Other Economic Data

Currency Exchange Rates

Currency	Units	Current Rate (on 11/5/10)	% Change 1 Week Ago	% Change 1 Month Ago	% Change 1/1/2010	% Change 1/1/2009
Japanese yen	¥/US$	81.2500	1.1%	-2.5%	-12.5%	-11.9%
Hong Kong dollar	HK$/ US$	7.7500	-0.01%	-0.1%	-0.04%	0.00%
Chinese renmenbi	RMB/ US$	6.6550	-0.2%	-0.5%	-2.5%	-2.5%
Singapore dollar	S$/ US$	1.2849	-0.7%	-2.2%	-8.6%	-12.1%
South Korean won	KRW/ US$	1,107.1000	-1.5%	-1.3%	-4.9%	-15.9%
New Taiwan dollar	NT$/ US$	30.1600	-1.4%	-3.4%	-5.6%	-8.0%
Australian dollar	US$/A$	1.0160	3.3%	5.0%	13.2%	43.1%
New Zealand dollar	US$/NZ$	0.7966	4.0%	7.8%	10.0%	36.2%
Philippine peso	PHP/ US$	42.5800	-0.5%	-2.3%	-8.3%	-9.8%
Euro	US$/€	1.4031	0.6%	2.6%	-2.0%	1.1%
British pound	US$/£	1.6177	0.9%	2.3%	0.1%	11.4%

Fixed Income Prices and Yields

Note	Currency	Current (on 11/5/10)		1 Week Ago		4 Weeks Ago	
		Price	Yield	Price	Yield	Price	Yield
US 30-year	US$	95.77	4.17%	98.02	3.99%	102.97	3.71%
Japan 30-year	¥	100.13	2.00%	100.38	1.98%	103.49	1.82%
Hong Kong 10-year	HK$	102.00	2.31%	101.79	2.20%	102.92	2.10%
China (06/16)	US$	107.22	3.29%	107.28	3.26%	110.27	2.01%
Singapore 10-year	S$	111.90	1.92%	111.20	1.99%	111.05	2.74%
South Korea 20-year	KRW	11,200.23	4.78%	11,364.91	4.59%	11,802.89	4.25%
Australia 15-year	A$	103.81	5.31%	103.64	5.33%	106.00	5.70%
New Zealand (12/17)	NZ$	105.34	5.40%	105.93	5.23%	107.68	5.04%
Philippines 20-year	PHP	144.93	8.11%	146.00	7.87%	143.20	8.09%
India 30-year	INR	98.75	8.59%	98.20	8.46%	99.34	8.36%
UK 30-year	£	102.22	4.15%	101.71	4.15%	105.84	3.91%
Germany 30-year	€	135.04	2.95%	133.05	3.04%	137.67	2.85%