

ANNUAL REPORT 2012-2013











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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Aroon Purie, Chairman & Managing Director Koel Purie Rinchet, Whole Time Director Anil Mehra Anil Vig Rakesh Kumar Malhotra Rajeev Thakore Ashok Kapur

Audit Committee

Rakesh Kumar Malhotra, Chairman Anil Mehra Rajeev Thakore

Head - Legal & Compliances & Company Secretary & Vice President - (Internal Audit) Dr. Puneet Jain

Auditors

Price Waterhouse Chartered Accountants New Delhi

Bankers

Canara Bank ICICI Bank Limited Yes Bank Limited

Registered Office

F-26, First Floor, Connaught Circus, New Delhi - 110 001

Registrar & Transfer Agents

MCS Limited F- 65, Okhla Industrial Area Phase-I, New Delhi-110 020



DIRECTORS' REPORT

TO THE MEMBERS

Your Directors are pleased to present the Fourteenth Annual Report together with the Audited Statement of Accounts of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March 2013.

1. Financial Results

The financial results of the Company for the year ended 31st March 2013 are summarized below for your consideration.

(Rs. in Cror						
Particulars	Year Ended 31 st Mar'13	Year Ended 31stMar'12				
Income from operations	312.67	308.43				
Other income	7.36	5.61				
Profit before Finance, Charges, Amortization, Depreciation and Tax	41.95	31.90				
Finance Charges (including Interest)	3.34	1.43				
Depreciation	21.03	14.04				
Profit before tax	17.58	16.42				
Provision for Tax	5.37	5.90				
Net Profit	12.21	10.51				
Balance amount brought forwa	ard 166.46	161.68				
Profit Available for appropriati	on 178.67	172.19				
Transferred to General Reser	ve 0.65	0.55				
Proposed Dividend	4.46	4.46				
Corporate Dividend Tax	0.76	0.72				
Balance Carried forward	172.80	166.46				

2. Performance

During the financial year under review, your Company's revenue from operations has been Rs. 312.67 Crores compared to Rs. 308.43 Crores last year, an increase of 1.37 %. Profit before tax has been Rs 17.58 Crores compared to Rs. 16.42 Crores last year, increase of 7.06% over the last year. Profit after tax has been Rs.12.21 Crores compared to Rs. 10.51 Crores last year, registering an increase of 16.17 % over the last year.

Your company's business model is such that it mainly depends on Ad Revenues. Your Company due to its Channel's impeccable reputation and leadership position of the flagship channel "AAJ TAK", and confidence reposed by its viewers and clients managed to achieve a reasonably satisfactory performance.

In recognition of its leadership position, your Company's Channels have been conferred with the following prestigious awards:

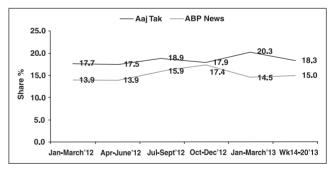
- ITA Award for best Hindi News -Aaj Tak
 Channel 2012
- Visual Communication Awards at CII Aaj Tak Design Excellence Awards 2012
- Gold Awards 2012 Best Hindi News Aaj Tak
 Channel

News Television Awards 2013:

- Best Business News Program Aaj Tak
- Best Crime Show Aaj Tak
- Current Affairs Feature Aaj Tak
- Sports Feature Aaj Tak
- Public Debate Show Aaj Tak
- Entertainment News Anchor Aaj Tak
- Set Design (Actual) Aaj Tak
- Best Use of Graphics in a Promo Aaj Tak
- Promo for a Channel Aaj Tak
- Promo Campaign by a News Channel Aaj Tak
- Daily Prime Time News Show Aaj Tak
- TV News Presenter Aaj Tak
- TV News Anchor Aaj Tak

AAJ TAK

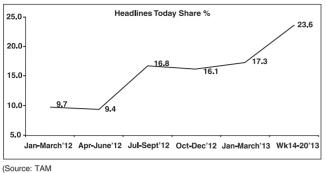
Aaj Tak continued to maintain its leadership position for the 12th consecutive year. Aaj Tak share has increased from 17.7% in Jan-March'12 to 20.3% in Jan-March'13. Aaj Tak continues to dominate by being the channel of choice during key events. Whether it's a national or an international event, the credibility of Aaj Tak is unmatched. As per IRS Data, Aaj Tak maintains absolute leadership with viewership of 65.7 million (CS viewer). Also, Aaj Tak was bestowed with the Best Hindi News Channel by the Indian Television Awards in 2012 consecutively 12th Year.



Source : TAM TG : CS 15% 4Yrs. Market : HSM Channel shares calculated among 14 Hindi News

HEADLINES TODAY

Headlines Today share has increased from 9.7% in Jan-March'12 to 23.6% in Wk14-20'13. In 2012 held News Television Academy Awards, Headlines Today was bestowed with 6 awards, including Best Entertainment Anchor Denzil O' Connell, Best Reporter Neha Dixit, Best Investigative report -Inside Lanka's Killing Fields, Best Investigative Feature -Telangana tangle and Best Current Affairs Programme (Home & International) - Inside Libya.

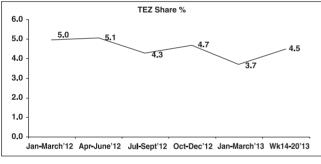


TG: CS 25+ M AB

Market : 6 Metros Channel shares calculated among 5 English News

TEZ

Tez was launched to cater to the news viewer who has little time and wants condensed news. "Tez" had **continued to maintain its share** in HSM. In Mumbai, Tez has a higher market share than NDTV India and IBN 7 (Source:-TAM,MKT-MUMBAI,TG-CS15+,Period-Jan-Mar'13).



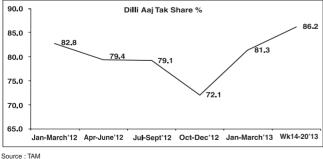
Source : TAM TG : CS 15+ Yrs

Market : HSM

Channel shares calculated among 14 Hindi News

DILLI AAJ TAK

Dilli Aaj Tak is the leading Delhi/NCR focused 24 hrs news channel. The channel has a news-you-can-use format, and has been No.1 in Delhi since the date of its launch. Dilli Aaj Tak maintains a solid monopoly in DelhI with 86.2% share in Wk14-40'13 as compared to 82.8% in Jan-March'12. In Phase 1 of digitization implementation Dilli Aaj Tak share reduced to 72.1% in Oct-Dec'12 and then grown substantially after that.



TG : CS 15+ Yrs Market : Delhi

Channel shares calculated among 4 Hindi Regional News

3. Dividend

Your directors are pleased to recommend for your consideration and approval payment of dividend @ 15% amounting to Rs. 0.75 per equity share of Rs. 5/- each for the financial year 2012-13. Total amount of dividend outgo for the financial year shall be Rs. 5.22 Crores (including Corporate Dividend Tax amounting to Rs. 0.76 Crores).

4. Deposits

During the year, your Company has not accepted/ renewed deposits from the Public within the meaning of Section 58A, 58AA and other relevant provisions of the Companies Act, 1956, if any.

5. Directors

In accordance with the provisions of Section 256 of the Companies Act, 1956 and the Articles of Association of your Company, Mr. Rakesh Kumar Malhotra and Mr. Anil Mehra, Directors, liable to retire by rotation at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and being eligible, offer themselves for re-appointment. Your directors recommend re-appointment of Mr. Rakesh Kumar Malhotra and Mr. Anil Mehra as directors on the Board of the Company.

6. Director's Responsibility Statement

As stipulated in Section 217(2AA) of the Companies Act, 1956, your Directors' subscribe to Directors' Responsibility Statement and confirm that:

- in the preparation of the annual accounts, the applicable accounting standards had been followed along with proper explanation relating to material departures;
- they had selected such accounting policies and applied them consistently and made judgement and estimates that are reasonable and prudent so as to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company at the end of the financial year 2012-13 and of the profit of the company for that period;
- they had taken proper and sufficient care for the maintenance of adequate accounting records in accordance with the provisions of this Act for safeguarding the assets of the company and for preventing and detecting fraud and other irregularities;
- the annual accounts had been prepared on a going concern basis.

7. Subsidiary Company

The Audited Statement of Accounts, alongwith the report of the Board of Directors and the Auditor's Report pursuant to Section 212 of the Companies Act, 1956 of the wholly owned subsidiary Company, TV Today Network (Business) Limited, for the year ended on 31st March 2013 is annexed.



8. Consolidated Accounts

In accordance with the requirement of Accounting Standard 21 of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India to present consolidated accounts, your Company, has prepared the consolidated Accounts which is annexed herewith.

9. Investments

Your Company has made a strategic investment in Mail Today Newspapers Pvt. Ltd for which it has acquired some stake amounting to Rs. 45.52 Crore. This investment is towards entering into the Print Media utilizing the synergies of content and brand. The same has been further elaborated in Note no. 40 of the Financial statement which is self explanatory.

10. Auditors

The statutory auditors of your Company M/s Price Waterhouse, Chartered Accountants holds office up to the conclusion of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and have offered themselves for re-appointment. They have confirmed that, if re-appointed, their appointment would be within the limits prescribed under Section 224 (1B) of the Companies Act, 1956. Your directors recommend their re-appointment as Statutory Auditors of the Company.

Pursuant to the direction from the Ministry of Corporate Affairs for appointment of Cost Auditors, your Board of Directors has appointed M/s. SKG & Co., Cost Accountants, as the Cost Auditor for the financial year ended March 31^{st} , 2013.

11. Auditor's Report

There are no qualifications of the Auditors on the Accounts of the Company for the financial year ended 31st March 2013 requiring further comment from the Board of Directors.

12. Corporate Governance

In accordance with Clause 49 of the listing agreement, your Company has ensured continued compliance of Corporate Governance requirements during the financial year. Your Company lays strong emphasis on transparency, disclosure and independent supervision to increase various stakeholders' value.

The report on Corporate Governance for the financial year 2012-13 is given in a separate section titled "Report on Corporate Governance" and Certificate of Company Secretary in Practice as required under the revised Clause 49 of the listing agreement is appended herewith which forms part of this Annual Report.

13. Employees Stock Option Plan

Human Resource is the key to the success of any organization. The Company has always valued its human resources and has tried to adopt the best HR practices. To retain and nurture well-performing employees who are

contributing to the growth of the Company, your Company introduced stock option plan (ESOP) for its employees and Directors in 2006. The disclosures in compliance with clause 12 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Employees Stock Option Scheme and Employee Stock Purchase Scheme) Guidelines, 1999 (as amended) are set out in the Annexure appended herewith.

A certificate from Statutory Auditors, with regard to the implementation of the Company Employees' Stock Option Scheme, would be placed before the shareholders in the next Annual General Meeting, and a copy of the same shall be available for inspection at the registered office of the Company.

14. Management Discussion and Analysis

Separate report on Management Discussion & Analysis is appended herewith.

15. The Companies (Disclosure of Particulars in the Report of Board of Directors) Rules, 1988.

In terms of the requirement of clause (e) of sub-section (1) of Section 217 of the Companies Act, 1956, read with the Companies (Disclosure of Particulars in the Report of Board of Directors) Rules, 1988, the particulars with respect to "Conservation of Energy, Technology Absorption and foreign exchange earnings and outgo" are given as under:

(a)	Conservation of Energy	:	Not Applicable
(b)	Technology Absorption	:	Not Applicable
(c)	Transaction in Foreign Currency	:	
	i) Value of Imports	:	Rs. 60,602,098
	(CIF basis)		
	ii) Expenditure in foreign current	у	(Accrued basis)
	(a) Traveling Expenses	:	Rs. 7,770,870
	(b) Production Cost	:	Rs.118,396,663
	(c) Repair and Maintenance	:	Rs. 11,645,250
	(d) Others	:	Rs. 1,587,219
(e)	Income in foreign currency	:	Rs. 71,780,993

(Accrued basis)

16. Particulars of Employees

Particulars of Employees as required under Section 217 (2A) of the Companies Act, 1956 read with Companies (Particulars of Employees) Rules, 1975 (as amended) is annexed hereto and forms part of this report.

17. Acknowledgement

Your Directors place on record their deep appreciation of the contribution made by all section of employees with dedication, commitment and team effort which helped your Company in achieving the performance during the year despite stiff competition from the existing as well as new players in the news and current affairs genre.

Your Directors also acknowledge with thanks the support given by the Central Government, bankers, shareholders

and investors at large and look forward to their continued support.

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors

	Sd/-	Sd/-
Place : New Delhi	Anil Mehra	Aroon Purie
Date : May 27th, 2013	Director	Chairman &
		Managing Director

Note: As per the provisions of Section 219(1) (b) (iv) of the Companies Act, 1956, read with amended Clause 32 of the Listing Agreement with the Stock Exchanges, the Annual Report is being sent to all shareholders of the Company excluding Particulars of Employees under Section 217(2A) of the Companies Act, 1956 read with Companies (Particulars of Employees) Rules, 1975. Any shareholder interested in obtaining such particulars may write to the Company Secretary at the Company's Corporate office at India Today Mediaplex, FC-8, Sector 16A, Film City, Noida-201301, Uttar Pradesh.



Annexure

INFORMATION REGARDING THE EMPLOYEES STOCK OPTION PLAN

(As on March 31, 2013)

SI.	Particulars	First	Second	Third		Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh
No.		Grant	Grant	Grant		Grant	Grant	Grant	Grant
I	Date of Grant	December 01, 2006	March 01, 2007	Decer 01, 20		June 24, 2008	April 05, 2010	May 20, 2010	September 30, 2010
11	Market value on date of grant of the underlying equity shares	Rs. 74.35	Rs. 134.85	Rs. 15	52.75	Rs. 93.15	Rs. 113.90	Rs. 102.85	Rs. 85.15
111	Exercise Price (50% of options) (Balance 50% of options)*	Rs. 74.35 Rs. 44.35	Rs. 134.85 Rs. 104.85	Rs. 15 Rs. 12		Rs. 93.15 Rs. 63.15	Rs. 113.90 Rs. 83.90	Rs. 102.85 Rs. 72.85	<u>Rs. 85.15</u> Rs. 55.15
IV	Vesting Period	4 years	4 years	4 yea	rs	4 years	4 years	4 years	4 years
а	Options Granted (NET OF OPTIONS CANCELLED)	1,33,500	10,000	0		76,500	5,000	15,000	100,000
b	Pricing Formula	market pric	i0% of options are granted at the market price and balance 50% of the optionarket price. Discount shall vary from Rs. 0 to Rs. 30/- depending upderformance criteria by the employee from year to year. i5,500 NIL NIL NIL NIL NIL						
С	Option Vested	45,500	NIL	NIL		NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
d	Option Exercised	45,500	NIL	NIL		NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
е	Number of shares arising as a result of exercise of option	45,500	NIL	NIL		NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
f	Option Lapsed	NIL	NIL	NIL		NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL
g	Variation of terms of options	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
h	Money realized by exercise of options	27,22,925	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	NA
i	Total number of options in force	88,000	10,000	-	76,500		5,000	15,000	100,000
	i) Senior Management Personnel	2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 2	 Q.W Naqvi Rajnish Rikhy Sanjay Jain Rinku Paul Nikita Tulsian Satyaky Chowdhury Rehan Kidwai Prince Sharm Amitabh Rajmohan Na Rahul Kanwal Shailesh Kum Rahul Kanwal Bijo Shailesh Kum Rahul Kanwal Bijo Shailesh Kum Rahul Kanwal Denzil O'Connell Ritul Joshi Sonia Singh Sahil Joshi Deepak Sharr Shams Tahir Khan Vikrant Gupta Gautam Roy Samip Rajgur Sanjiv Chauha Prateek Trived 		Senior VP Fin GM - A GM Ad GM Ad VP Op VP Tet Execut VP Ne GM Ad Execut Execut Associ Deputy Senior Bureau Editor Editor Senior Associ Senior	ad Sales I Sales I Sales erations chnology ive Producer twork I Sales ive Producer ate Executive r Editor Special Corr	45,000 options (resigned) 45,000 options 3,000 options (resigned) 15,000 options (resigned) 15,000 options 15,000 options 22,500 options 15,000 options 45,000 options 15,000 options (resigned) 10,000 options 15,000 options 7,500 options 5,000 options 5,000 options 5,000 options		

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				ep Bevil	Associate Ex	ecutive Proc	ducer		options (resigned)
		28.	Manish	n Dubey	Editor				options (resigned)
			Ruchik Ajay K	a Tomar umar	Principal Co Executive Pr				options options
		31.	Abhisa	ır	Deputy Edito	or		7,500	(resigned) options (resigned)
					Deputy Edito Associate Editor				options
			G. Kris		Chief Execut			100,000	
		35.	Anil Me	ehra	Director			100,000	
		(Out	of abov	ve, 45,500 o	options have	been exercis	ed as mentio	ned under S	il. No. d)
	Any other employee who receives a grant in any one year of option amounting to 5% or more of option granted during that year;	None	э.						
	iii) Identified employees who were granted options, during any one year, equal to or exceeding 1% of the issued capital (excluding outstanding warrants and conversions) of the Company at the time of the grant.	None	-						
k	Diluted Earnings Per Share (EPS) pursuant to issue of shares on exercise of options calculated in accordance with Accounting Standard (AS) 20 'Earning Per Share'.	Rs. 2	2.05						
ľ	In case, the employees compensation cost is calculated on the basis of intrinsic value of stock option, the difference between the employees compensation of the stock option cost based on intrinsic value of the stock and the employees compensation of the stock option cost based fair value, and the impact of this difference on profits and on EPS of the Company.	The Company has used intrinsic value method for calculating the employee compensation cost with respect to the Stock Options. If the employee compensation cost for the ESOP had been determined in a manner consistent with the fair value approach the Stock Option compensation expenses would have been higher by Rs. 2.46 million. Consequently, the profit would have been Rs. 119.59 million instead of the current profit of Rs. 122.05 million and the EPS of the Company would have been (Rs. 2.01) instead of (Rs. 2.05).							
m	 For options whose exercise price either equals or exceeds or is less than the market price of the stock the following are disclosed separately: a) Weighted average exercise price i) when the exercise price is equal to market price ii) when the exercise price is less 		89.58						
	than market price b) Weighted average fair value		75.10						
	 i) when the exercise price is equal to market price ii) when the exercise price is less 		56.78						
	ii) when the exercise price is less than market price	HS. 6	63.15						
n	A description of the method and significant assumptions used during the year to estimate the fair value of options, including the following weighted-average information: i) risk-free interest rate; ii) expected life; iii) expected volatility; iv) expected volatility; iv) expected dividends; and v) the price the underlying shares in the market at the time of option grant.	7.35 10 y 48.2 1.01 74.3	ears 8% %	7.87% 10 years 55.44% 0.56% 134.85	8.07% 10 years 51.27% 0.49% 152.75	8.83% 10 years 58.35% 0.83% 93.15	8.09% 10 years 54.44% 0.66% 113.90	7.94% 10 years 52.40% 0.74% 102.85	8.10% 10 years 43.13% 0.89% 85.15

* Maximum discount of Rs. 30/- which may vary between Rs. 0 to Rs. 30/- based on the employees performance.