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TeamIndus moonwalks with Tata Communications

Tata Communications is official communications partner for India's entry in the \$30 Million Google Lunar XPRIZE

Mumbai, March 4th, 2015 – [Tata Communications](#), a leading provider of A New World of Communications™, today announced its official association as the communications partner for TeamIndus, India's only competitor in the \$30 million [Google Lunar XPRIZE](#). As the largest international incentivised prize competition aimed at developing low-cost methods of robotic space exploration, the Google Lunar XPRIZE is challenging privately funded teams to safely land a spacecraft on the surface of the moon that travels at least 500 meters and transmits high-definition video, images and data back to Earth. TeamIndus is on a mission to lead India into the next generation of space exploration and aviation technology.

In this partnership, Tata Communications brings its connectivity and prowess in the cloud and data centre services to provide TeamIndus with mission critical communication services. State-of-the-art Content Delivery Network (CDN) Solution, Web Hosting and Flight Path Big Data Analytics and Secured Private Network are some of the solutions that are in place to help TeamIndus edge closer to their end goal. With its [global subsea cable network](#), Tata Communications already had the world covered and the TeamIndus association now takes this reach to new heights.

Julie Woods-Moss, Chief Marketing Officer and CEO of Tata Communications' Nextgen Business says, "There are few projects that are as inspiring and aspirational as a space mission. To be part of TeamIndus' mission to the moon in pursuit of the Google Lunar XPRIZE and to help achieve their goal of a successful lunar mission that will send back data, video and images, ultimately transforming our understanding of the lunar landscape, is truly pioneering. Our engagement with India's competitor for this important prize reflects our determined focus on thinking ambitiously and differently in everything we do."

Rahul Narayan, Team Leader, TeamIndus, says, "At TeamIndus, our motto is to aspire, believe and create, and without the support from the industry, it is very difficult to achieve that. Tata Communications is our official communications partner and they are literally helping us communicate all the way to the moon and back, which is mission critical in our venture. We appreciate the belief they have in our project and are very pleased to have them on board. Their long-range communication expertise and low latency connectivity between ground tracking stations is not only mission-critical but a huge contributor in the future of space exploration."

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Tata Communications' global connectivity services are built on the world's largest and most advanced global subsea cable network. Over 24% of the world's internet routes use Tata Communications' network. In this lunar mission, Tata Communications will use its Global Content Delivery Network to deliver the real time lunar feeds to multiple end nodes in the globe. These