

January

- Hutchison Essar completed acquisition of BPL Mobile Cellular Limited, holder of licences in Kerala, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu. The company was subsequently renamed Hutchison Essar Cellular Limited and the brand was changed to *Hutch*.



July

- orange™ was named the number one brand in the telecom industry for the fourth consecutive year and was ranked second among all consumer brands in Israel by *Globes*, Israel's leading financial newspaper.

March

- Partner launched its HSDPA network in March 2006 and reached 70% coverage in urban centres in October 2006.



May

- Hutchison CAT surpassed three million paid downloads since launching advanced wireless data services.



October

- Kasapa was named the "Marketing Oriented Organisation of the Year" and the "ICT Company of the Year" by the Chartered Institute of Marketing of Ghana.
- Disposal of Vanda IT Solutions & Systems Management Limited.
- Hutchison Telecom Macau was awarded a 3G licence.
- Hong Kong fixed-line operation unveiled Asia's first network-based information and communications technology (ICT) applications partnership program, enabling worldwide ICT application providers to deploy services through the company's applications adaptive Next Generation Network.

June

- Hutchison Telecom Lanka's *Hutch Welcome Campaign* won the Bronze award in the TV Category of the Information, Communication Technology section in the "Chilli Awards 2006" conducted by the International Advertising Association and the Accredited Advertising Agencies.

- **Kasapa extended its coverage to the central region of Ghana in May and the western region in November, bringing coverage to seven out of the ten regions in Ghana.**

- Partner was included in the new NASDAQ Global Select Market tier for public companies. The new tier incorporates NASDAQ's world-class corporate governance standards.

- **Hutchison Telecom Hong Kong and NTT DoCoMo formed strategic partnership to bring i-mode™ to Hong Kong and Macau.**



November

December

- **Hutchison Telecom Lanka celebrated its 500,000th customer.**

- **HT Mobile was unveiled as the commercial brand in Vietnam and opened exclusive flagship shops in key cities.**

- Hutchison Telecom Hong Kong launched "Turbo 3G" 3.6Mbps HSDPA network territory-wide.
- Hutchison Telecom Lanka became a dual band (GSM900/1800) network.

- Hutchison Essar announced strategic partnership with NTT DoCoMo in India.
- Partner had the largest 3G customer base in Israel.
- Hutchison Essar received licences to operate in six new licence areas, positioning it for pan-India coverage.