Staff and Community



Staff

At the end of 2006, Hutchison Telecom employed almost 20,000 people in nine countries and territories.

The Group is able to attract talented and motivated individuals in all its markets. It seeks to provide many opportunities for personal and professional growth. It actively promotes the sharing of ideas and experiences across markets, and its commitment and leadership in cutting-edge technologies and emerging markets give employees the opportunity to gain valuable experience.

Hutchison Telecom's excellent team is key to meeting its high standards and ambitious business objectives. The Group's aim is to continue to recruit and retain the best talent in the world.

Community

During the year, the Group's Thailand operation Hutchison CAT took steps to reduce the digital divide through the Hutch Care Project in Thailand, deploying high speed wireless Internet to enhance learning efficiency of students at schools under the Internet Foundation for School and Community. Partner Communications, the Group's Israeli operation, played an integral role in supporting the IT related educational activities in several local communities. In other markets Hutchison Telecom strives to help neighbours in need in many ways – from supporting disaster relief activities to underwriting community programs that not only better the lives of the people today but also shape the future of society tomorrow.

Employees are encouraged to take an active role in their community by participating in local charity events and programmes. In India, Hutchison Essar was a key sponsor in some of the leading sports events in the country including The Hutch Delhi Half Marathon and Main Toh Chala World Cup which was one of the most popular cricket events in the year. In other operations staff member were encouraged to take part in volunteer social services either through the company or on their own.