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Results for the year ended March 31, 2006 under US GAAP WIPRO RECORDS 28%GROWTH IN NET INCOME

Bangalore, **India and Mountain View**, **California – April 19**, **2006** -- Wipro Limited (NYSE:**WIT**) today announced financial results under US GAAP for its fourth fiscal quarter and year ended March 31, 2006.

Highlights

Results for the year ended March 31, 2006

- ➤ Net Income was Rs. 20.27 billion (\$456 million¹), representing an increase of 28% over last year.
- ➤ Total Revenue was Rs. 106.11 billion (\$2.39 billion¹), representing an increase of 30% over last year.
- ➤ Global IT Services & Products Revenue was Rs.80.51 billion (\$1.81 billion¹), representing an increase of 33% over last year.
- ➤ Global IT Services & Products Earnings Before Interest and Tax (EBIT) was Rs. 19.41 billion (\$436 million¹), representing an increase of 23% over last year.
- ➤ Cash generated from continuing operations was Rs. 20 billion (\$450 million¹).
- ➤ Our Board of Directors also recommends a cash dividend payable to the holders of our equity shares and American Depository Shares (ADS) of Rs. 5 per share/ADS, subject to shareholder approval at our Annual General Meeting scheduled to occur in July 2006.

Results for the quarter ended March 31, 2006

- ➤ Net Income was Rs. 5.97 billion (\$134 million¹), representing an increase of 34% over the same period last year.
- ➤ Total Revenue was Rs. 30.54 billion (\$687 million¹), representing an increase of 33% over the same period last year.
- ➤ Global IT Services & Products Revenue was Rs.23.10 billion (\$519 million¹), representing an increase of 39% over the same period last year
- ➤ Technology Business in Global IT Services & Products segment crossed landmark of \$500 million annual Revenues
- ➤ Global IT Services & Products Earnings Before Interest and Tax (EBIT) was Rs. 5.66 billion (\$127 million¹), representing an increase of 30% over the same period last year
- ➤ Global IT Services & Products added 42 new clients during the quarter.

Outlook for the Quarter ending June 30, 2006

Azim Premji, Chairman of Wipro, commenting on the results said "We look back at our performance in 2005-06 with immense satisfaction. It was a year in which we crossed several landmarks - including Rs. 100 billion in Total Revenues, \$2 billion mark in IT businesses Revenues, Rs. 5 billion of quarterly profits, team size of 50,000 and 5% Revenue contribution from Innovation Initiatives. With all Wipro businesses delivering industry-leading growth rates, we were able to post record Revenue and Profit growth. The IT Services industry is evolving from an era of routine Service Provisioning to one of Innovative Knowledge creation. The strategic initiatives we propose to undertake as part of our plan over the next few years

^{1.} For the convenience of the reader, the amounts in Indian rupees in this release have been translated into United States dollars at the noon buying rate in New York City on March 31, 2006, for cable transfers in Indian rupees, as certified by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York which is \$1=Rs.44.48. However, the realized exchange rate in our Global IT Services & Products segment for the quarter ended March 31, 2006 is \$1=Rs. 45.10

position us well to ead this evolution. Given the exciting prospects in all our business segments and combined with our growth-oriented strategic road-map, we look forward to 2006-07 and beyond with excitement and enthusiasm. Looking ahead, for the quarter ending June 2006, we expect our Revenue from our Global IT services business to be approximately \$533 million."

Suresh Senapaty, Chief Financial Officer, said "During the quarter ended March 2006, we continued to see broad-based Revenue growth with our differentiated Services – Testing and Technology Infrastructure Services – continuing to deliver significantly higher growth rates. On margin front, improved price realizations, higher utilization, increased proportion of Offshore projects and continued improvements in BPO profitability helped in significantly offsetting the acquisition related pressure on profitability and compensation revision for our Onsite staff and led to Operating Margin expansion sequentially".

Wipro Limited

Total Revenues for the year ended March 31, 2006, were Rs. 106.11 billion (\$2.39 billion¹), representing an increase of 30% over last year. Net Income for the year ended March 31, 2006 was Rs. 20.27 billion (\$456 million¹), representing an increase of 28% over last year. Earnings per share was Rs. 14.41 (\$0.32¹) for the year ended March 31, 2006, representing an increase of 27% over our Earnings Per Share of Rs. 11.38 for last year (as adjusted for stock divided paid in August 2005).

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Global IT Services and Products (76% of Revenues and 88% of Operating Income for year ended March 31, 2006)

Our Global IT Services and Products business segment recorded Revenues of Rs. 80.51 billion² (\$1.81 billion¹) for the year ended March 31, 2006, representing an increase of 33% over last year. EBIT was Rs.19.41 billion (\$ 436 million¹) for the year ended March 31, 2006, representing an increase of 23% over last year. Operating Income to Revenue for the year ended March 31, 2006 was 24.1%, representing a decrease of approximately 200 basis points from last year. This decrease was primarily due to lower utilization of employees, increase in compensation costs and lower realizations for the work performed onsite. Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) for the year ended March 31, 2006 was 55% compared to 60% for last year.

We had 53,742 employees as of March 31, 2006, which includes 37,655 employees in our IT Services business and 16,087 employees in our BPO business. This represents a net addition of 11,885 people comprised of 11,471 in our IT Services business and 414 people in our BPO business for the year.

During the quarter, we added 42 new customers. This includes 17 customers in our Technology business, 23 in Enterprise business and 2 in our BPO business. Wipro was named as the only Indian Tier I vendor by General Motors. Other wins include a leading provider of products and services supporting the health care industry and a large multi-million dollar contract from a global Telecom major for setting up and running their next generation CDMA lab. We also won a large field testing contract from a leading Telecom equipment company.

² Global IT Services & Products segment Revenues were Rs. 80.66 billion for the year ended March 31, 2006 under the Indian GAAP. The difference of Rs. 146 million (\$ 3.3 million¹) is primarily attributable to difference in accounting standards for forward contracts under Indian GAAP and US GAAP.

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The financial year 2005-06 has seen our Global IT Services' Product Engineering Services (PES) group reinforce its position as the world's largest independent R&D service provider with annual Revenues crossing half a Billion dollars in the fourth quarter. Including acquisitions, the group registered 9.2% sequential growth in Revenues and 34% YoY growth. The PES group is 13,500+ engineers strong, and provides engineering services to companies across domains like Telecom, Computing Systems, Storage, Semiconductor, Automotive Electronics, Consumer Electronics, Industrial Automation, Avionics, Software Products and Medical Devices. The PES group has filed 58 invention disclosures on behalf of customers this year and some key wins this quarter have come as a result of licensing of its IPs in the Bluetooth and 1394 space.

India and Asia-Pac IT Services and Products (16% of Revenue and 6% of Operating Income for year ended March 31, 2006)

Our India and Asia-Pac Services and Products business segment (Wipro Infotech) recorded Revenue of Rs. 16.47 billion (\$370 million¹) for the year ended March 31, 2006, representing an increase of 23% over last year. EBIT for the year ended March 31, 2006 was Rs. 1.4 billion (\$32 million¹), representing an increase of 45% over last year.

Operating Margin for the year ended March 31, 2006 was 8.5%, representing an increase of approximately 130 basis points over last year. ROCE for the year ended March 31, 2006 was 69% compared to 52% for last year.

Consumer Care & Lighting (5% of Revenue and 4% of Operating Income for year ended March 31, 2006)

Our Consumer Care & Lighting business segment recorded Revenue of Rs. 5.6 billion (\$126 million¹) for the year ended March 31, 2006, representing an increase of 23% over Revenue of Rs. 4.56 billion for last year. EBIT was Rs. 798 million (\$18 million¹) for the year ended March 31, 2006, representing an increase of 19% over EBIT of Rs.671 million for last year. ROCE for the year ended March 31, 2006 was 71% compared to 86% for last year.

Our results for the year ended March 31, 2006, computed under Indian GAAP and US GAAP, along with our individual business segment reports, are available in the Investor Relations section of our website at www.wipro.com.

Quarterly Conference Calls

Wipro will hold conference calls today at 11:45 A.M. Indian Standard Time (2:15 A.M. US Eastern Time) and at 7:00 P.M. Indian Standard Time (9:30 A.M. US Eastern Time) to discuss the company's performance for the quarter and answer questions sent to email ID:: Sridhar.ramasubbu@wipro.com An audio recording of the management discussions and the question and answer session will be available online and will be accessible in the Investor Relations section of our website at www.wipro.com shortly after the live broadcast.

About Wipro Limited

We are the first PCMM Level 5 and SEI CMM Level 5 certified IT Services company globally. We provide comprehensive IT solutions and services, including systems integration, information systems outsourcing, package implementation, software application development and maintenance, and research and development services to corporations globally.

In the Indian market, we are a leader in providing IT solutions and services for the corporate segment in India offering system integration, network integration, software solutions and IT services. In the Asia Pacific and Middle East markets, we provide IT solutions and services for global corporations. We also have a profitable presence in niche market segments of consumer products and lighting.

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Our ADSs are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, and our equity shares are listed in India on the Stock Exchange - Mumbai, and the National Stock Exchange. For more information, please visit our websites at www.wipro.com and www.wipro.com and

Forward-looking and Cautionary Statements

Certain statements in this release concerning our future growth prospects are forward-looking statements, which involve a number of risks, and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in such forward-looking statements. The risks and uncertainties relating to these statements include, but are not limited to, risks and uncertainties regarding fluctuations in our earnings and revenue, our ability to manage growth, intense competition in IT services including those factors which may affect our cost advantage, wage increases in India, our ability to attract and retain highly skilled professionals, time and cost overruns on fixed-price, fixed-time frame contracts, client concentration, restrictions on immigration, our ability to manage our international operations, reduced demand for technology in our key focus areas, disruptions in telecommunication networks, our ability to successfully complete and integrate potential acquisitions, liability for damages on our service contracts, the success of the companies in which we make strategic investments, withdrawal of fiscal governmental incentives, political instability, war, legal restrictions on raising capital or acquiring companies outside India, unauthorized use of our intellectual property and general economic conditions affecting our industry. Additional risks that could affect our future operating results are more fully described in our filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission. These filings are available at www.sec.gov. We may, from time to time, make additional written and oral forward-looking statements, including statements contained in the company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission and our reports to shareholders. We do not undertake to update any forwardlooking statement that may be made from time to time by us or on our behalf.

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(Tables to follow)

WIPRO LIMITED & SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in millions, except per share data) Three months ended March 31

	Three	nonths ended	March 31	Υe	ear ended March 31		
	2005	2006	2006 Convenience translation into US\$	2005	2006	2006 Convenie\nce translation into US\$	
	(unaudited)	(unaudited)	(unaudited)		(unaudited)		audited)
Revenues:							
Global IT Services and Products							
IT Services	Rs. 14,802	Rs. 20,813	\$ 468	Rs. 54,280	Rs. 73,062	\$	1,643
BPO Services	1,669	2,079	47	6,433	7,664		172
India and AsiaPac IT Services and Products							
Services	1,423	1,762	40	4,709	6,097		137
Products	3,087	3,535	79	8,694	10,380		233
Consumer Care and Lighting	1,188	1,483	33	4,555	5,625		126
Others	789	870	20	2,682	3,279		74
Total	22,958	30,542	687	81,353	106,107		2,385
Cost of Revenues:							
Global IT Services and Products							
IT Services	9,135	13,648	307	33,780	46,986		1,056
BPO Services	1,438	1,545	35	4,740	5,810		131
India and AsiaPac IT Services and Products							
Services	834	1035	23	2,679	3,549		80
Products	2,788	3,234	73	7,815	9,286		209
Consumer Care and Lighting	766	933	21	2,926	3,556		80
Others	624	665	15	1,915	2,460		55
Total	15,585	21,060	473	53,855	71,647		1,611
Gross profit	7,373	9,482	213	27,498	34,460		775
Operating expenses :	,	•		•	•		
Selling and marketing expenses	(1,463)	(1,812)	(41)	(5,466)	(6,764)		(152)
General and administrative expenses	(1,055)	(1,400)	(31)	(3,744)	(5,239)		(118)
Research and development expenses	(73)	(61)	(1)	(274)	(202)		(5)
Amortization of intangible assets	(18)	(28)	(1)	(140)	(64)		(1)
Foreign exchange gains / (losses), net	, ,	212	5	(92)	(288)		(6)
Others, net	19	23	1	75	69		2
Operating Income	4,979	6,416	144	17,857	21,972		494
Loss on direct issue of stock by subsidiary	, -	· -	_	(207)	, <u> </u>		-
Other income, net	206	402	9	800	1,276		29
Equity in Earnings / (losses) of affiliates	25	55	1	158	288		6
Income before income taxes and minority interest	5,210	6,873	155	18,608	23,536		529
Income taxes	(723)	(898)	(20)	(2,694)	(3,265)		(73)
Minority interest	(14)	-	-	(81)	(1)		-
Net income	Rs. 4,473	Rs. 5,975	\$ 134	Rs. 15,833	Rs. 20,270	\$	456
Earnings per equity share:			· -			*	
Basic	3.20	4.22	0.09	11.38	14.41		0.32
Diluted	3.18	4.16	0.09	11.29	14.24		0.32
Additional Information Operating Income	0.10	4.10	0.00	11.20	14.24		0.02
IT Services	4,241	5,308	119	Rs. 14,817	Rs. 18,400	\$	414
Acquisitions	-,	(18)	-	-	(2)	Ψ	
BPO Services	111	366	8	1,008	1,011		23
Global IT Services & Products	4,352	5,656	127	15,825	19,409		436
India & AsiaPac IT Services & Products		436	10	970	1,404		32
Consumer Care & Lighting	0.0	211	5	671	798		18
Others		113	3	466	488		11
Reconciling Items	٥.		-	(75)	(127)		(3)
Total		6,416	144	Rs. 17,857	. ,	\$	494
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WIPRO LIMITED & SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(in millions, except share data and unless stated otherwise)

As of March 31.

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	2005 2006		2006	
ASSETS		(unaudited)	Convenience translation into US\$ (unaudited)	
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	Rs. 5,671	Rs. 8,858	\$	199
Investments in liquid and short-term mutual funds	22,958	30,328	•	682
Accounts receivable, net of allowances	14,806	20,593		463
Costs and earnings in excess of billings on contracts in	14,000	20,333		403
progress	2,740	4,336		97
Inventories	1,769	2,065		46
Deferred income taxes	242	194		4
Other current assets	2,950	5,463		123
Total current assets	51,136	71,837		1,615
Property, plant and equipment, net	13,201	17,777		400
Investments in affiliates	769	1,043		23
Deferred income taxes	209	30		1
Intangible assets, net	363	854		19
Goodwill	5,615	7,481		168
Other assets	782	1,244		28
Total assets	Rs. 72,075	Rs. 100,266	\$	2,254
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Borrowings from banks	Rs. 564	Rs. 705	\$	16
Accounts Payable	3,713	4,146		93
Accrued expenses	3,882	6,601		148
Accrued employee cost	3,113	4,425		99
Advances from customers	1,280	1,616		36
Other current liabilities	2,135	3,614		81
Total current liabilities	14,687	21,107		475
Other liabilities	126	395		9
Total liabilities	14,813	21,502		483
Minority interest	533	-		-
Stockholders' equity				
Equity shares at Rs. 2 par value: 1,650,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding: 1,407,141,044 and				
1,425,754,267 shares as of March 31, 2005 and 2006	1,407	2,851		64
Additional paid-in capital	13,273	16,521		371
Deferred stock compensation	(3,185)	(2,203)		(50)
Accumulated other comprehensive income / (loss)	96	434		10
Retained earnings Equity shares held by a controlled Trust*: 7,893,060 and 7,869,060 shares as of March 31, 2005 and 2006	45,138 -	61,161		1,375 -
Total stockholders' equity	56,729	78,764		1,771
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	Rs. 72,075	Rs. 100,266	\$	2,254
* Equity shares held by a controlled trust	Rs. (75,000)	Rs. (75,000)	\$	(1,686)