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Results for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 under US GAAP

WIPRO RECORDS 31% GROWTH IN NET INCOME

Bangalore, India and Mountain View, California – July 22, 2005 -- Wipro Limited (NYSE:**WIT**) today announced financial results under US GAAP for its first fiscal quarter ended June 30, 2005.

Highlights:

Results for the quarter ended June 30, 2005

- Net Income grew by 31% over the corresponding period in the previous year to Rs. 4.3 billion (\$98.1 million)
- Revenue increased by 29% over the corresponding period in the previous year to Rs. 22.9 billion (\$ 525.5 million)
- Global IT Services & Products segment Revenue was Rs. 17.3 billion (\$397.3 million), representing an increase of 31% over the corresponding period in the previous year contributed by volume growth and improvement in price realization
- Global IT Services & Products Earnings before Interest and Tax (EBIT) was Rs. 41 billion (\$93.5 million)
- Slobal IT Services & Products added **29** new clients in the quarter.
- The India, Middle East and Asia Pac Business Unit recorded 146% growth in EBIT over the corresponding period in the previous year; and Revenue grew by 34%

Outlook for the Quarter ending September 30, 2005

Azim Premji, Chairman of Wipro commenting on the results said "The strength of our business model and our ability to execute well was once again evident in the robust results of all our businesses. Our Global IT business continued to sustain momentum. IT Services component of the business witnessed strong volume growth & improved price realizations during the quarter. Our unique strengths in the Technology and Enterprise domains coupled with leadership in differentiated services, puts us in a strong position to lead industry growth. Looking ahead, for the quarter ending September 2005, we expect our Revenue from our Global IT services business to be approximately \$422 million."

Suresh Senapaty, Chief Financial Officer, said "Our Revenues in Global IT business for the quarter were \$398.5 million, ahead of our guidance of \$395 million. We saw double digit sequential growth in our Finance Solutions business. Our differentiated Services – Testing and Technology Infrastructure Services - continued to grow ahead of our overall growth rates, while our Enterprise Application Services bounced back with robust sequential growth. In terms of geographies, Europe continues to lead the growth. Operationally, we improved price realization & Offshore mix. Operating Margins were impacted by increased visa costs, currency appreciation and higher investments in Sales & Marketing."

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Total Revenues for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 were Rs. 22.9 billion (\$ 525.5 million), representing a 29% increase over the corresponding period in the previous year. Net Income was Rs. 4.3 billion (\$98.1 million), representing an increase of 31% over the same period last year. Earnings per share was Rs. 6.10 (\$0.14) for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, representing an increase of 30% over the earnings per share of Rs. 4.69 for the quarter ended June 30, 2004.

Global IT Services & Products (76% of Revenues and 89% of Operating Income for quarter ended June 30, 2005)

Our Global IT Services & Products business segment recorded Revenue of Rs. 17.3 billion¹ (\$ 397.3 million) for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, representing an increase of 31% over the same period last year. EBIT was Rs. 4.1 billion (\$ 93.5 million) for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, representing an increase of 22% over the same period last year. Operating Income to Revenue for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 was 23.5%, representing a decrease of approximately 1.7% from the quarter ended June 30, 2004. This decrease was primarily due to currency appreciation, lower utilization and increased investment in sales & marketing. Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) for the quarter was 56% compared to 62% for the quarter ended June 30, 2004.

As of June 30, 2005, we had 41,911 employees, which include 28,281 employees in the IT Services business and 13,630 employees in the BPO business.

During the quarter, we added 29 new clients. We continued to build on our strengths in Asia with 8 new clients, and further increased our presence in Europe with 5 new clients. Northern Gas Networks (NGN), one of the new independent gas network companies in the UK, has selected Wipro Technologies to implement a complete replacement of its Work and Asset Management systems. Over the next year, Wipro will implement a complete new suite of systems to manage the assets of the gas network in the North of England and to support the staff who operate and maintain the network. The total value of the contract is about £25m.

The Enterprise Applications group showed robust sequential growth adding engagements across verticals. Combining the Telecom Solutions & Embedded & Product Engineering groups, Wipro has what is believed to be the world's largest independent Engineering Services group with over 10,000 engineers. This quarter saw a steady quarter-on-quarter growth of about 5% in this extended engineering space with Wipro setting up Offshore Development Centers with a leading semiconductor equipment manufacturing company & a leading software products company. New clients were also added for specialized offerings such as testing and enterprise securities.

India and Asia-Pac IT Services & Products (15% of Revenue and 6% of Operating Income for quarter ended June 30, 2005)

Our India and Asia-Pac Services and Products business segment (Wipro Infotech) recorded Revenue of Rs. 3.4 billion (\$78.2 million) for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, representing an increase of 34% over the quarter ended June 30, 2004. EBIT for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, was Rs. 258 million (\$5.9 million), representing an increase of 146% over the corresponding period in the previous year.

Operating Margin for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 was 7.6%, representing an increase of approximately 3.5% compared to the quarter ended June 30, 2004. ROCE for the quarter was 55% compared to 19% for the quarter ended June 30, 2004.

¹ Global IT Services & Products segment Revenues were Rs. 17.3 billion for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 under the Indian GAAP. The difference of Rs. 30 million (\$0.7 million) is primarily attributable to difference in accounting treatment for foreign exchange contracts under Indian GAAP and US GAAP.

Consumer Care & Lighting (6% of Revenue and 4% of Operating Income for quarter ended June 30, 2005)

Our Consumer Care & Lighting business segment recorded Revenue of Rs. 1.3 billion (\$30.4 million) for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, representing a 29% increase over Revenue of Rs. 1.0 billion for the quarter ended June 30, 2004. EBIT was Rs. 186 million (\$4.3 million) for the quarter ended June 30, 2004. ROCE for the quarter was 89% compared to 82% for the quarter ended June 30, 2004.

Our results for the quarter ended June 30, 2005, computed under Indian GAAP and US GAAP, along with individual business segment reports are available in the Investor Relations section of our website at <u>www.wipro.com</u>.

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 June 30, 2005, for cable transfers in Indian rupees, as certified by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York which is \$1=Rs.43.51. However, the realized exchange rate in our Global IT Services & Products segment for the quarter ended June 30, 2005 is \$1=Rs. 43.38

Quarterly Conference call

Wipro will hold conference calls today at 11:45 AM Indian Standard Time (2:15 AM US Eastern Time) & at 6:45 PM Indian Standard Time (9:15 AM 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 & answer session will be available online and will be accessible in the Investor Relations section of the company 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.

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, among others. For more information, please visit our websites at www.wipro.com and www.wipro.com and <a href="https://wwwwwwwwwwwwwww

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 earnings, 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 <u>www.sec.gov</u>. 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 forward-looking statement that may be made from time to time by us or on our behalf.

(Tables to follow)

WIPRO LIMITED & SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (in millions, except per share data) Three Months Ended June 30

| | Three Months Ended June 30 | | | |
|--|----------------------------|-------------|-------|-------------|
| - | 2004 | 2005 | 2005 | |
| | | | | enience |
| | (11 | (TI | | n into US\$ |
| Devenues | (Unaudited) | (Unaudited) | (Unat | idited) |
| Revenues : | | | | |
| Global IT Services and Products | | | | |
| Services | Rs. 13,538 | Rs. 17,402 | \$ | 400 |
| Products | - | 28 | | 1 |
| India and AsiaPac IT Services and Products | | | | |
| Services | 938 | 1,423 | | 33 |
| Products | 1,617 | 1,990 | | 46 |
| Consumer Care and Lighting | 1027 | 1,322 | | 30 |
| Others | 576 | 700 | | 16 |
| Total | 17,696 | 22,865 | | 526 |
| Cost of Revenues: | 17,000 | 22,000 | | 020 |
| | | | | |
| Global IT Services and Products | 0.000 | 44.000 | | |
| Services | 8,336 | 11,303 | | 260 |
| Products | - | 12 | | - |
| India and AsiaPac IT Services and Products | | | | |
| Services | 547 | 850 | | 20 |
| Products | 1,476 | 1,766 | | 41 |
| Consumer Care and Lighting | 640 | 826 | | 19 |
| Others | 389 | 525 | | 12 |
| Total | 11,388 | 15,282 | | 351 |
| Gross profit | 6,308 | 7,583 | | 174 |
| • | 0,000 | 7,000 | | 1/4 |
| Operating expenses : | (1 201) | (1 6 4 0) | | (20) |
| Selling and marketing expenses | (1,301) | (1,640) | | (38) |
| General and administrative expenses | (856) | (1,171) | | (27) |
| Research and development expenses | (58) | (43) | | (1) |
| Amortization of intangible assets | (50) | (15) | | - |
| Foreign exchange gains / (losses), net | (468) | (148) | | (3) |
| Others, net | 7 | 19 | | - |
| Operating Income | 3,582 | 4,585 | | 105 |
| Other income, net | 262 | 214 | | 5 |
| Equity in Earnings / (losses) of affiliates | 30 | 56 | | 1 |
| Income before income taxes and minority interest | 3,874 | 4,855 | | 112 |
| Income taxes | (598) | (586) | | (13) |
| Minority interest | (22) | (000) | | (10) |
| | | | | |
| Net income | 3,254 | 4,268 | | 98 |
| Earnings per equity share: | | | | |
| Basic | 4.69 | 6.10 | | 0.14 |
| Diluted | 4.67 | 6.05 | | 0.14 |
| Additional Information | | | | |
| Operating Income | | | | |
| Global IT Services & Products | Rs. 3,325 | Rs. 4,068 | \$ | 93 |
| India & AsiaPac IT Services & Products | 105 | 258 | Ψ | 6 |
| Consumer Care & Lighting | | | | 4 |
| Others | 152 | 186 | | 4 |
| Reconciling Items | 111 | 99 | | |
| | (111) | (26) | | (1) |
| | Rs. 3,582 | Rs. 4,585 | \$ | 105 |

WIPRO LIMITED & SUBSIDIARIES CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (in millions, except share data and unless stated otherwise)

| | | As of June 30, | As of June 30. | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| | 2004 | 2005 | | | | |
| | 2004 2005 (Unaudited) (Unaudited) | | Convenience translation into US\$ (Unaudited) | | | |
| ASSETS | | | | | | |
| Current assets: | | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | Rs. 3,080 | Rs. 4,662 | \$ 107 | | | |
| Accounts receivable, net of allowances | 11,769 | 15,089 | 347 | | | |
| Costs and earnings in excess of billings on contracts in progress | 2,746 | 2,942 | 68 | | | |
| Inventories | 1,430 | 1,582 | 36 | | | |
| Investments in liquid and short-term mutual funds | 13,238 | 27,196 | 625 | | | |
| Deferred income taxes | 279 | 172 | 4 | | | |
| Other current assets | 2,904 | 2,953 | 68 | | | |
| Total current assets | 35,446 | 54,596 | 1,255 | | | |
| Property, plant and equipment, net | 10,090 | 14,246 | 327 | | | |
| Investments in affiliates | 641 | 825 | 19 | | | |
| Deferred income taxes | 184 | 254 | 6 | | | |
| Intangible assets, net | 427 | 363 | 8 | | | |
| Goodwill | 5,509 | 5,915 | 136 | | | |
| Other assets | 740 | 858 | 20 | | | |
| Total assets | Rs. 53,037 | Rs. 77,057 | \$ 1,771 | | | |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | • | | | |
| Borrowings from banks | Rs. 220 | Rs. 545 | \$ 13 | | | |
| Accounts Payable | 2,734 | 2,944 | 68 | | | |
| Accrued expenses | 3,143 | 4,367 | 100 | | | |
| Accrued employee cost | 2,598 | 3,225 | 74 | | | |
| Advances from customers | 1048 | 1,431 | 33 | | | |
| Other current liabilities | 3,467 | 2,263 | 52 | | | |
| Total current liabilities | 13,210 | 14,775 | 340 | | | |
| Other liabilities | 322 | 253 | 6 | | | |
| Total liabilities | 13,532 | 15,028 | 345 | | | |
| Minority interest | 363 | - | - | | | |
| Stockholders' equity Equity shares at Rs. 2 par value: 750,000,000 shares authorized; issued and outstanding: 698,446,890 and | 1397 | 1,410 | 32 | | | |
| 704,871,203 shares as of June 30, 2004 and 2005 | 7,239 | 13,821 | 318 | | | |
| Additional paid-in capital | (6) | (2,926) | (67) | | | |
| Deferred stock compensation | (8) | (2,920) 318 | (67) | | | |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income / (loss) | | | | | | |
| Retained earnings Equity shares held by a controlled Trust: 3,943,530 and 3,934,530 shares as of June 30, 2004 and 2005 | 32,560 * | 49,406 * | 1,136 | | | |
| Total stockholders' equity | 39,142 | 62,029 | 1,426 | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | Rs. 53,037 | Rs. 77,057 | \$ 1,771 | | | |