

Aakash put on notice as BSNL and Pantel pair up to produce T-Pad

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The last thing that the [Aakash](#) project needed was a more handsome, similarly priced commercial rival swooping in and stealing all of its thunder. Sadly that's what's happened: [Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited](#) (BSNL), itself currently under investigation for corruption allegations, has announced a similarly low priced tablet in partnership with Pantel International. The T-Pad IS701R costs Rs 3,250 (\$66) compared to the Aakash's Rs 2,999 (\$60) but this device has a faster 1GHz processor and runs Gingerbread on a 7-inch 800 x 600 resistive display. However it's not all sunshine and roses, unlike the Government-sponsored slate, there is no GPRS modem in this edition. If you want freedom from WiFi, it'll cost you Rs 10,999 (or \$223). So how do the two tablets stack up? Head on past the break and we'll show you in a little more detail.

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Price (Rs / USD)	2,999 / \$60	3,250 / \$66
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Processor	366Mhz	1GHz
Display	7-inch 800 x 480 resistive	7-inch 800 x 600 resistive
Camera	None	0.3-megapixel
RAM	256MB	256MB
Storage	2GB microSD (up to 32GB)	2GB microSD (up to 32GB)
Cellular	GPRS	None
WiFi	802.11 a/b/g	802.11 b/g/n
Operating System	Android 2.2	Android 2.3
Battery	2,100mAh	3,000mAh