

[6 December, 1999]

RAJYA SABHA

Crisis in Doordarshan

***120. DR. C. NARAYANA REDDY:** Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Doordarshan is facing crisis in terms of funds, professional personnel and modern equipment;

(b) whether it is also a fact that due to lack of promotional avenues and other factors, there is an exodus of talent from the Doordarshan; and

(c) if so, what measures Government propose to take for checking the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) There is no crisis of funds, professional personnel and modern equipments. However, a Committee has been constituted to study the working of Prasar Bharati and make appropriate recommendations to improve the quality of service, credibility and professionalism of Prasar Bharati.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARED QUESTIONS

India's Stand on Agriculture under the WTO

532. SHRI RAJU BHAI A. PARMAR:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the European Union (EU) has been pushing India to adopt a common position and strategy on Agriculture during negotiations under the Millennium round of the World Trade Organisation;