

*Desirable:*

- (i) Ability to interview people who matter in news;
- (ii) Ability to write news stories and report events from the spots; and
- (iii) Knowledge of both English and Hindi.

*Age:* Between 25—40 years.

#### **Exorbitant charges by Cable Operators in Delhi**

2334. SHRIBHAGATRAMMANHAR:  
SHRIRAJUPARMAR:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are aware that cable operators in the National Capital Territory of Delhi have started charging exorbitant monthly rates for various channels;
- (b) if so, the complete details thereof;
- (c) whether Government propose to conduct a survey in the NCT of Delhi to find out the charges of cable operators; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken against the cable operators who are charging exorbitant rates from the public?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (d) The rates of subscription for cable network is purely a contractual affair between the subscriber and cable operators and is market driven. Government does not maintain any record of the rates charged by different cable operators, neither does it propose to conduct any survey on this or regulate the rates of subscription.

#### **Delegations sent abroad for trade agreements**

† 2335. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN:

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that delegations connected with entertainment industry were sent to foreign countries for trade agreements during the years 2000-2001 and 2001-2002;

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† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.