

Coverage of AIR and DD Network

[†]1605. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of areas in the country which are not covered by All India Radio and D.D. network; state-wise;

(b) whether Government have a proposal to install more T.V. transmitters and AIR centres to cover the whole country; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY): (a) The state-wise details of percentage of area not covered by AIR and Doordarshan's terrestrial network are given in annexed Statement. (See below)

(b) and (c) The expansion of AIR/DD network in the country is a continuous process, being carried out in a phased manner, based on available resources. Presently, 40 AIR projects and 225 Doordarshan Transmitter projects including the J&K special scheme, are under various stages of implementation in different parts of the country for expansion of AIR and Doordarshan services.

Statement

Sl.No.	State/UT	Uncovered Area (%)	
		AIR*	Doordarshan**
1	2	3	4
1.	Andhra Pradesh	1.0	20.7
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	43.0	83.5
3.	Assam	5.1	25.4
4.	Bihar	1.0	5.6
5.	Goa	1.0	0.1
6.	Gujarat	1.0	15.7
7.	Haryana	1.0	3.2

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

1	2	3	4
8.	Himachal Pradesh	50.0	57.1
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	69.0	66.3
10.	Karnataka	3.8	31.0
11.	Kerala	0.4	13.1
12.	Madhya Pradesh	4.0	31.9
13.	Maharashtra	2.0	20.8
14.	Manipur	31.0	67.9
15.	Meghalaya	2.5	5.4
16.	Mizoram	12.0	32.4
17.	Nagaland	23.0	31.5
18.	Orissa	2.0	15.9
19.	Punjab	1.0	0.1
20.	Rajasthan	8.5	29.9
21.	Sikkim	28.0	22.6
22.	Tamilnadu	1.0	8.8
23.	Tripura	1.0	6.5
24.	Uttar Pradesh	9.3	18.2
25.	West Bengal	1.0	4.1
26.	A & N Islands	20.0	73.8
27.	Chandigarh	1.0	0.1
28.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1.0	34.8
29.	Delhi	1.0	0.1
30.	Daman and Diu	1.0	0.1
31.	L & M Islands	1.0	1.0
32.	Pondicherry	1.0	0.1

*Figures relate to Medium wave and FM coverage only. The Radio Service on short wave is available to almost entire area of the country.

**Figures relate to DD-I terrestrial coverage. Doordarshan Satellite Channels are available, through dish antenna, throughout the Country.

Relay of Russian TV Channels in Hotel Kanishka

1606. DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Russian television channel TB 6 has been banned for relay in Delhi; and

(b) if so, how it is being shown between 11 P.M. and 3 A.M. in Hotel Kanishka regularly, as reported in the Hindustan Times, dated 2nd July, 2000?