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(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that such incidents of drowning had taken place in the same swimming pool earlier also and if so, the details thereof during the last five years; and

(d) the action taken against the management of the swimming pool for violation of safety norms?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) No child was drowned while swimming in the pool of the Kendriya Vidyalaya, Andrews Ganj. A boy, accompanied by his mother, came to the swimming pool of Kendriya Vidyalaya, Andrews Ganj at 7.00 p.m. on 14th April, 2005. After swimming for about 10-15 minutes, he complained of chest pain and was rushed to Hospital, where he was declared dead. The post mortem of the body reflected that his death was not due to drowning, as there was no water in his lungs. No drowning death has been reported from any quarter since the opening of the swimming pool at the Kendriya Vidyalaya, Andrews Ganj in 2003.

(d) An Enquiry has been ordered into the incident.

#### **Modernisation of DD/AIR stations**

\*629.SHRI N.R. GOVINDARAJAR: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposals for modernization and digitalization of AIR/Doordarshan Kendras in the country particularly in Tamil Nadu during Tenth Five Year Plan;

(b) if so, the details and locations thereof, State-wise; and

(c) by when the modernization/digitalization work of the said centres is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details are given in the Statement (See below).

(c) The schemes are expected to be completed during the 10th Plan, subject to availability of resources and approval of the competent authority.

**Statement***Details of proposals for modernization and digitalization of AIR/DD  
Kendras in the country*

## (A) DETAILS OF DIGITALIZATION IN TAMIL NADU

## DOORDARSHAN

Chennai Studio has been fully digitalised. No other studio is proposed to be digitalised during the 10th Five Year Plan.

## ALL INDIA RADIO

During the 10th Five Year Plan, Hard Disc Based System and upgradation of downlink terminals are being provided at all AIR stations including those in Tamil Nadu.

The details of Modernisation and Digitalisation in Tamil Nadu are as under:—

- (i) Hard Disc Based System at all stations.
- (ii) Upgradation of downlink at all stations.
- (iii) MSS terminal at Chennai.
- (iv) Digital Satellite News Gathering System at Chennai.
- (v) Refurbishing of studios at Chennai.
- (vi) Provision of uplinks at Tiruchirapalli/Madurai.
- (vii) Replacement of the TRACTS by modern digital mobile SNGs at Chennai.
- (viii) Replacement of 10 kW FM and 5 kW FM transmitters at Chennai each by 20 kW FM transmitter.

## (B) DETAILS OF DIGITALIZATION IN STATES OTHER THAN TAMIL NADU

## DOORDARSHAN

## Digitalization Projects Completed

State/UT	Studio Centres fully digitalised	Studio Centres partially digitalized
Andhra Pradesh	Hyderabad	—
Chhattisgarh	—	Raipur
Goa	—	Panaji

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State/UT	Studio Centres fully digitalised	Studio Centres partially digitalized
Chhattisgarh	—	Raipur
Goa	—	Panaji
Jharkhand	—	Daltonganj
J&K	—	Jammu
Karnataka	Bangalore	Gulbarga
Maharashtra	Mumbai	—
Sikkim	—	Gangtok
West Bengal	Kolkata	—
Delhi	Delhi	—
	Central Production	—
A&N Islands	Centre	Port Blair
Pondicherry	—	Pondicherry

(C) DIGITALIZATION PROJECTS YET TO BE COMPLETED (DOORDARSHAN)

State/UT	Studio Centres to be fully digitalised	Studio Centres to be partially digitalized
Assam	Guwahati	Guwahati (Regional Prod. Centre) Dibrugarh Silchar
Andhra Pradesh	—	Vijayawada
Arunchal Pradesh	—	Itanagar
Bihar	Patna	Muzaffarpur
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	Rajkot
Himachal Pradesh	—	Shimla
Jharkhand	—	Ranchi
J&K	Srinagar	—
Kerala	Trivandrum	—
Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	Indore

State/UT	Studio Centres to be fully digitalised	Studio Centres to be partially digitalized
Maharashtra	—	Pune
Manipur	—	Imphal
Mizoram	—	Aizawi
Nagaland	—	Kohima
Orissa	Bhubaneshwar	Sambalpur
Punjab	Jalandhar	—
Rajasthan	Jaipur	—
Tripura	—	Agartala
Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	Bareilly Mau Allahabad
West Bengal	—	Jalpaiguri

## (D) ALL INDIA RADIO

**Modernization and digitalization-projects completed.**

1. Provision of portable MSS terminals for News Gathering at major stations:

- (i) Raipur (Chhattisgarh)
- (ii) Panaji(Goa)
- (iii) Delhi
- (iv) Rohtak (Haryana)
- (v) Shimla (Himachal Pradesh)
- (vi) Srinagar(J&K)
- (vii) Ranchi (Jharkhand)
- (viii) Trivandrum (Kerala)
- (ix) Mumbai (Maharashtra)
- (x) Bhubneshwar (Orissa)
- (xi) Jalandhar (Punjab)
- (xii) Chennai (Tamil Nadu)

- (xiii) Dehradun (Uttaranchal)
  - (xiv) Kolkata (West Bengal)
  - (xv) Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh)
  - (xvi) Patna (Bihar)
  - (xvii) Ahmedabad (Gujarat)
  - (xviii) Bangalore (Karnataka)
  - (xix) Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh)
  - (xx) Jaipur (Rajasthan)
  - (xxi) Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)
2. Provision of Digital uplinks at new State Capitals and other selected centres:
- (i) Ranchi (Jharkhand)
  - (ii) Raipur (Chhattisgarh)
  - (iii) Almora (Uttaranchal)
  - (iv) Jalandhar (Punjab)
3. Upgradation of existing satellite uplinks at state capitals:
- (i) Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh) (ii) Patna (Bihar) (iii) Shimla (Himachal Pradesh) (iv) Srinagar (J&K) (v) Bangalore (Karnataka) (vi) Trivandrum (Kerala) (vii) Cuttak (Orissa) (viii) Jaipur (Rajasthan) (ix) Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh) (x) Guwahati (Assam) (xi) Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh) (xii) Shillong (Meghalaya)

4. Replacement of old transmitters, studio equipments and studio transmitter link by digital equipments:

Replacement of old transmitters.

- (i) Shillong (Meghalaya) — 100 KW MW Tr.
- (ii) Shimla(HimachalPradesh) —100 KW MW Tr.
- (iii) Cuddappah (Andhra Pradesh) — 100 KW MW Tr.
- (iv) Chattarpur (Madhya Pradesh) —20 KW MW Tr.
- (v) Darbhanga (Bihar)—10 KW MW Tr.
- (vi) Jalgaon (Maharashtra)—20 KW MW Tr.
- (vii) Rewa (Madhya Pradesh) —20 KW MW Tr.
- (viii) Udipi (Karnataka) — 20 KW MW Tr.

(E) Modernization and digitalization—projects for implementation:

1. Provision of Digital Satellite News Gathering System:

- (i) Delhi
- (ii) Mumbai (Maharashtra)
- (iii) Kolkata (West Bengal)
- (iv) Chennai (Tamil Nadu)
- (v) Guwahati (Assam)
- (vi) Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh)
- (vii) Shillong (Meghalaya)

2. Provision of portable MSS Terminals for News Gathering at major stations:

- (i) Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh)
- (ii) Guwahati (Assam)
- (iii) Imphal (Manipur)
- (iv) Shillong (Meghalaya)
- (v) Aizawal (Mizoram)
- (vi) Kohima (Nagaland)
- (vii) Agartala (Tripura)

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- (viii) Gangtok (Sikkim)
  - (ix) Port Blair (A&N Islands)
  - (x) Kavaratti (Islands)
3. Provision of Digital uplinks at new State Capitals & other selected centres:
- (i) Dehradun (Uttaranchal)
  - (ii) Aurangabad (Maharashtra)
  - (iii) Rajkot (Gujarat)
  - (iv) Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh)
  - (v) Jodhpur (Rajasthan)
  - (vi) Dharwar (Karnataka)
  - (vii) Madurai (Tamil Nadu)/Trichy
  - (viii) Leh (J&K)
  - (ix) Silchar (Assam)
  - (x) Rohtak (Haryana)
4. Upgradation of existing satellite uplinks at State capitals:
- (i) Delhi
  - (ii) Mumbai
  - (iii) Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh), equipment received, under installation.
  - (iv) Ahmedabad (Gujarat), equipment received, under installation.
5. Replacement of old transmitters, studio equipments and studio transmitter link by digital equipments:
- (I) Replacement of old transmitters.
- (i) Rajkot (Gujarat) — 1000 KW MW Tr.
  - (ii) Chinsura (West Bengal) — 1000 KW MW Tr.
  - (iii) Delhi B — 100 KW MW Tr.
  - (iv) Raipur (Chhattisgarh) — 100 KW MW Tr.
  - (v) Kavaratti (L Islands) — 10 KW MW Tr. (in place of 1 KW MW)
- (II) Refurbishing of studios at following centres:
- (i) Type — III studio at Srinagar (J&K)
  - (ii) Type — III studio at Bhopal (Madhya Pradesh)

- (iii) Type — IV studio at Ahmedabad (Gujarat)
- (iv) Type—III studio at Kohima (Nagaland)
- (v) Type—IV studio at Chennai (Tamil Nadu)
- (vi) Type — I studio at Silchar (Assam)
- (vii) Type — III studio at Trichur (Kerala)
- (III) Permanent studio set up at following existing centres:
  - i) Type—IV studio at Jaipur (Rajasthan)
  - ii) MP Studio at Tawang (Arunachal Pradesh)
  - iii) Studios at Leh (J&K)
  - iv) Type — I studio at Mysore (Karnataka)

**Status of National Institute of Technology and Deemed Universities**

†\*631. SHRI SURENDRA LATH:  
SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has recently granted the status of National Institute of Technology and Deemed University to the 18 Regional Engineering Colleges;
- (b) if so, whether Government would also consider to give the status of apex institutions in management, to the institutions doing good work in the fields of management; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Human Resource Development has converted 17 erstwhile Regional Engineering Colleges into National Institutes of Technology. They have also been notified as Deemed Universities under Section 3 of the UGC Act 1956. Subsequently, the Bihar College of Engineering, Patna has also been upgraded to that of National Institute of Technology (NIT). The proposal for granting Deemed to be University status to the National Institute of Technology, Patna is under consideration of the University Grants Commission (UGC).

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