

Satellites called LANDSATS and use the data so received by Earth Station to carry out surveys and inventories of our natural resources like agriculture, hydrology, minerals, soils, forestry etc. and for environmental monitoring, meteorology, topography and land-use studies and crop disease surveillance.

{Demolition of vendor stands by the Delhi Municipal Corporation

1235. DR. LOKESH CHANDRA: SHRI GIAN CHAND TOTU;

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of vendor stands demolished by the Delhi Municipal Corporation in the month of June, 1978; and

(b) whether the vendors had paid Tehbazari for the allotment of these sites?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS : (SHRI DHANIK LALMANDAL) : (a) and (b) Eleven vendor stands were demolished by the Delhi Municipal Corporation in the month of June, 1978. The vendors paid tehbazari at the time of allotment of the sites but discontinued paying the same afterwards.

Representatives of the West Bengal Government in A.I.R./T.V. Advisory Board, Calcutta

12-36. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any representatives of the West Bengal Government are included in the A.I.R./T.V. Advisory Board for the Calcutta Station;

(b) if so, what are the names of the representatives of the State Government in the Board; and

(c) if the answer to part (a) above is in the negative; what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI LAL K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) Programme Advisory Committees are envisaged for each programme originating station of All India Radio and Door-darshan Kendra. The rules for constitution of these Committees *inter alia* provide for *ex-officio* membership to the Director of Information/ Publicity of the State/Union Territory concerned.

(c) Does not arise.

Selection of artistes for the Calcutta Stations of AH India Radio /Television

1237. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the authorities of the Calcutta Stations of the All India Radio and Television do not consult the West Bengal Government in the matter of selection of artistes, programme planning, literary study circle, cultural programmes etc.; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI LAL K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) All A.I.R. Stations and Doordarshan Kendras maintain close liaison with the concerned State Governments with regard to programme Planning etc. Director, Information and Public Relations of concerned State Governments/Union Territories are *ex-officio* members of the Programme Advisory Committee of the AH India Radio/Television Stations. However, the bookings of artistes are made by All India Radio and Doordarshan according to well-defined procedure: keeping in view the requirements of the programme and production.