Radio station for Duggar region in Jammu

- 2649. SHRI SHAMSHER SINGH MANHAS: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has established Radio Stations for different languages in different States of the country; and
- (b) if so, by when a full fledged Radio Station for Duggar region shall be established/constructed in Jammu?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (COL. RAJYAVARDHAN SINGH RATHORE): (a) and (b) Prasar Bharati has informed that All India Radio operates in a multicultural and multilingual environment.

It provides programmes in 23 languages spoken in different States in the country. Radio Kashmir Jammu is a full-fledged station catering largely to Dogri speaking population of the Jammu region in J&K State. The daily total broadcast in Dogri language is approximately three and a half hours.

Tamil films at international film festivals

- 2650. SHRI TIRUCHI SIVA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Tamil Films have been shown at International Film Festivals and if so, the names and details of such films;
 - (b) details of the film festivals in which such films have been shown; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (COL. RAJYAVARDHAN SINGH RATHORE): (a) to (c) In recent years, Tamil Films namely "Vaagai Sooda Vaa", "Thangameengal", "Kuttram Kadithal", "Radiopetti". "Irudhi Suttru". "Moondrampiral", "Apporva Sangodharargat", "A Creator With Midas Touch" and "Sengadal" were screened at various International Film Festivals, including International Film Festival of India, Kolhapur International Film Festival, Indian Film Festival in Australia, International Film Festival in Fiji, Namaste India Festival in Romania, Shanghai International Film Festival and Beijing International Film Festival.