

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR): (a) to (c) There is no proposal to broadcast "Mann Ki Baat" with Chief Ministers of the States in their respective vernacular languages.

**Revenue earned by 'Akashvani'**

872. SHRI RAKESH SINHA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of financial condition of Akashvani and whether it is running in profit or loss;

(b) amount of revenue generated from advertisements in 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19;

(c) the details of budget /expenditure on Akashvani in aforesaid years; and

(d) time and amount of space it has given to broadcast news, views, culture, society of North Eastern States in 2018-19?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR): (a) to (c) Prasar Bharati as a public service broadcaster does not function solely as a commercial entity. It prepares its consolidated Annual Accounts and not separately for AIR and Doordarshan.

The details of commercial revenue of All India Radio during the year 2015-16 to 2018-19 are as under:—

(₹ in crore)	
Year	Commercial Revenue from Advertisement
2015-16	378.36
2016-17	397.31
2017-18	465.41
2018-19	460.95

(d) Under the Central Sector Broadcasting Infrastructure Network Development Scheme, administered by Prasar Bharati, 10% budget allocation is made for infrastructure

and content development in respect of North East states. Further, all efforts are made to ensure to allot adequate time and space to broadcast content reflecting news, views, culture and society of North Eastern States.

#### **Shortage of drinking water in Assam**

873. SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA: Will the Minister of JAL SHAKTI be pleased to state:

(a) whether Assam faces acute shortage of drinking water despite being on the bank of Brahmaputra which is a perennial river, if so, the details thereof;

(b) the rural habitations that have access to safe drinking water in Assam;

(c) whether Government has taken any steps to tackle the problem of drinking water in the State of Assam;

(d) if so, the details thereof and the amount of funds allocated during each of last three years and the current year; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI (SHRI RATTAN LAL KATARIA): (a) and (b) As reported by Government of Assam, as on 05.02.2020, 63.42% rural habitations having 59.41% population have provision of 40 litre or more per capita per day of potable drinking water and 26.93% rural habitations having 29.77% population have service level of less than 40 litre per person per day potable water, whereas 9.64% rural habitations having 10.81% population have water sources with quality issues in the State.

(c) and (d) To enable every rural household with Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) / across the country including Assam, Government of India, in partnership with States has launched Jal Jeevan Mission which aims at providing potable water at service level of 55 litre per capita per day (Ipcd) by 2024. The estimated outlay of the Mission is ₹ 3.60 lakh crore out of which Central share is of ₹ 2.08 lakh crore.

Details of Central allocation for the State of Assam under JJM for the current year and under erstwhile National Rural Drinking Water Programme (NRDWP) for the last three years are as under:—