GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING RAJYA SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No.548 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.07.2022)

HIGH FREQUENCY TRANSMITTERS NEAR INDO-CHINA BORDER

548. SHRI SUJEET KUMAR:

Will the Minister of **Information and Broadcasting** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that China has been jamming frequencies carrying the AIR Chinese service as well as the Tibetan service with music and other noise, if so, the details thereof:
- (b) steps taken by Government to deal with the aforementioned situation;
- (c) whether Government proposes to install high frequency FM/AIR/DD transmitters in several regions close to Indo-China Border to combat the incoming short and medium wave frequency broadcasts by Radio Stations in China, if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) steps Government has taken to install receivers to downlink the signals on DTH network?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) to (c) External Services Division of AIR has been broadcasting the AIR Chinese service and Tibetan service. AIR has 12 transmitters (5 FM, 6 MW & 1 SW) which are broadcasting programmes in the regions close to the Indo-China Border. In addition to that, schemes for installation of 100 W FM transmitter at Nyoma and one 5 kW Mobile FM transmitter in Leh region have also been approved.

Doordarshan presently has 3 high power transmitters located at Gangtok (DD National & DD News) and Leh (DD National) in Indo-China Border areas.

(d) Prasar Bharati has distributed DTH receive units in strategic/border areas under Broadcasting Infrastructure Network Development Scheme.
