

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1036
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2022)**

ROAD MAP FOR DIGITAL TERRESTRIAL TRANSMISSION

1036. SHRI KANAKAMEDALA RAVINDRA KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether Government has commissioned a study by any reputed organisation to provide a future road map for complete switch over to the Digital Terrestrial Transmission (DTT) for Prasar Bharati;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government decides to completely switch over to the Digital Terrestrial Transmission (DTT), if so, the fate of the existing LPT and HPT across the country;
- (d) whether Government has conceived any comprehensive plan in this regard; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)**

(a) to (e) Taking into account the modern global Broadcasting trends and availability of the signal of satellite transmission of DD Free Dish Direct to Home Service providing multichannel TV coverage, Prasar Bharati has decided to shut down analogue terrestrial transmission.

Prasar Bharati has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur to develop Next Generation Broadcast solution/roadmap for Digital Terrestrial Broadcasting consistent with emerging standards such as 5G Broadcast. Sanction for Proof of Concept (PoC) of Next Generation Broadcasting has also been conveyed to IIT Kanpur.
