

**AIR/Doordarshan Coverage**

4524. SHRI RAMCHANDRA VEERAPPA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage of population and area covered by Doordarshan and AIR in the country, State-wise;

(b) the time by which the target of cent-percent coverage is likely to be achieved; and

(c) the details of the efforts taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND

BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) Details are given in the attached *Statement*.

(b) and (c). Cent-percent T.V. coverage of the country has already been achieved by the satellite services of Doordarshan. However, the terrestrial coverage is expected to go upto 91.8% populationwise on commissioning of all the ongoing schemes of Doordarshan.

The primary grade day-time coverage of All India Radio Network is expected to go upto 97.5% populationwise with the completion of all the ongoing schemes. However, shortwave support service is expected to cover the whole country on completion of all the ongoing schemes.

Further expansion of T.V. and A.I.R. coverage would depend upon availability of resources and inter-se priorities.

**STATEMENT****Statewise T.V. and Radio (day-time) coverage in the country**

Sl. No.	States/ Union Territories	Existing Coverage in percentage			
		Doordarshan		All India Radio	
		Area	Population	Area	Population
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	Andhra Pradesh	70.5	79.8	98.0	99.0
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	11.0	44.4	77.0	77.0
3.	Assam	74.0	82.0	86.0	85.0
4.	Bihar	92.3	91.7	99.0*	99.0*
5.	Goa	100.0	100.0	99.0*	99.0*
6.	Gujarat	65.5	77.0	99.0*	99.0*
7.	Haryana	96.6	98.5	99.0*	99.0*
8.	Himachal Pradesh	37.2	58.7	45.0	75.0
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	26.7	90.4	30.0	85.0

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10.	Karnataka	59.0	68.8	94.0	95.0
11.	Kerala	84.0	86.3	91.0	93.0
12.	Madhya Pradesh	64.4	69.7	95.0	97.0
13.	Maharashtra	70.8	82.7	98.0	98.5
14.	Manipur	31.3	66.4	99.0*	99.0*
15.	Meghalaya	94.6	97.2	96.0	96.0
16.	Mizoram	42.1	53.1	82.0	82.0
17.	Nagaland	43.4	47.2	95.0	95.0
18.	Orissa	73.7	78.7	97.0	98.0
19.	Punjab	100.0	100.0	99.0*	99.0*
20.	Rajasthan	38.8	61.6	90.0	98.0
21.	Sikkim	36.6	63.1	44.0	74.0
22.	Tamil Nadu	91.2	91.3	98.0	98.0
23.	Tripura	93.3	93.3	99.0*	99.0*
24.	Uttar Pradesh	79.0	92.4	88.0	97.0
25.	West Bengal	95.4	96.0	99.0*	99.0*
26.	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	23.0	99.0	80.0	80.0
27.	Chandigarh	100.0	100.0	99.0*	99.0*
28.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	40.0	43.6	99.0*	99.0*
29.	Daman & Diu	100.0	100.0	99.0	99.0
30.	Delhi	100.0	100.0	99.0*	99.0*
31.	Lakshadweep &	99.0	99.0	99.0*	99.0*
32.	Pondicherry	100.0	100.0	99.0*	99.0*

## Note:

- Doordarshan: 1. Coverage figures are inclusive of fringe areas (elevated antennae & boosters are required for satisfactory reception in fringe areas).  
 2. Terrain conditions not taken into consideration.  
 3. Based on 1981 census.

## AIR:

4. \* Coverage in these States can normally be taken as 100% i.e. without taking into consideration the special requirement of certain situations.