

siege creates opportunities for all parties in Jammu and Kashmir to reduce tensions and work towards resolving issues in a constructive spirit. He is hopeful that productive relations between USA and India will continue to improve.

[*Translation*]

**Doordarshan coverage in Bihar**

2732. SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV:  
SHRI MOHAMMAD ALI ASHRAF FATMI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any representation to bring the entire Bihar State under the Doordarshan coverage;

(b) if so, the main points of the representation; and

(c) the details of the suggestions which have been accepted by the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K.P. SINGHDEO)

(a) to (c). No, Sir. However, representations have been received from time to time, from various quarters for strengthening TV service in Bihar. With the commissioning of the TV transmitters presently under implementation/envisaged to be set up, approximately 95.4% population of Bihar is expected to be brought under TV service. However, it is Government's endeavour to bring the entire country under TV coverage.

A list of T.V.transmitters under implementation in the State of Bihar is given in the

attached statement.

**T.V. Transmitters Presently Under Implimentation in Bihar**

*High Power Transmitters*

1. Jamshedpur
2. Gaya

*Low Power Transmitters*

1. Aurangabad
2. Godda
3. Gumla
4. Hazaribagh
5. Lohardaga
6. Newada
7. Supoul
8. Raxaul
9. Noamundy
10. Kodarma
11. Phoolparas
12. Saraikella

*Very Low Power Transmitters*

1. Simdiga

[*English*]

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2733. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will