

as a service Association to represent the interests of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and for including its name in the list of Associations recognised for the purpose of notifying reserved vacancies.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The Association was informed that it was not possible to recognise any Association of Government servants formed on the basis of caste, tribe or religion. The Association was also informed that in view of the arrangements already existing for publicity of vacancies reserved for Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes, it has been decided by Government not to add to the list of Associations already recognised for purpose of notifying reserved vacancies. The Association was also advised that if it wished to assist its members in this matter, it could do so by referring to the newspaper advertisements issued in this regard.

Suggestion made by Administrative Reforms Commission to limit the role of Indian Administrative Service Officers

3461. SHRI JADEJA :

SHRI DEVINDER SINGH
GARCHA :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether some States are opposing suggestions made by the Administrative Reforms Commission to limit the role of I.A.S. Officers ; and

(b) if so, the names of such States and the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA) : (a) and (b). The views of all the State Governments have not yet been received. The views of some State Governments which have been received are under examination. It will not, therefore, be desirable to disclose the same at this stage.

Auxiliary Centres of A.I.R.

3462. SHRI ESWARA REDDY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the number and name of Auxiliary Centres of the All India Radio having all

the three transmissions and broadcasting partially originating programmes ;

(b) the duration of such programmes excluding the recorded (Gramophone records) music :

(c) how many of these centres are originating the rural programmes and relaying youth programmes and their names ; and

(d) whether all these Stations have sufficient programme production staff and are headed by an Assistant Director ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) Five, namely, Siliguri, Agartala, Visakhapatnam, Bikaner and Sambalpur. All these Auxiliary Centres except Bikaner originate some programmes locally.

(b) Siliguri	—	30 minutes
Agartala	—	90 minutes
Visakhapatnam	—	90 minutes
Sambalpur	—	60 minutes.

(c) Two, namely, Agartala and Sambalpur. They originate rural programmes. Sambalpur also relays Youth programmes from Cuttack.

(d) All these Centres except Siliguri and Bikaner are headed by Assistant Station Directors with requisite production staff to assist them.

Day-time Transmissions from Cuddapah A.I.R. Station

3463. SHRI ESWARA REDDY : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether a decision had been taken by Government more than six months back to start day-time transmissions and partially originating programmes from Cuddapah All India Radio Station ; and

(b) if so, obstacles coming in the way of implementation of their decision ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI NANDINI SATPATHY) : (a) Yes, Sir,