

Bombay-Poona-Nagpur		Calcutta	
Per cent		Per cent	
Hindi	90.4	Bengali	51.1
English	6.1	Hindi	41.6
Marathi	3.0	English	7.3
Gujarati	0.5		
	100.0		100.0

(d) As AIR is a Government department, the revenue accruing to it has been credited to the Consolidated Fund of India according to the prescribed financial procedure. Whatever expenditure for further development of AIR may be needed can be met by obtaining appropriate budget grants and not by drawing upon the commercial service directly.

#### Farm Radio Broadcasting

2856. SHRI RAMACHANDRA VEERAPPA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the United Nation Development Programme have sanctioned 1.5 million dollars to strengthen the Farm Radio Broadcasting Services in India ; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI I. K. GUJRAL) : (a) The U.N.D.P. allocation of 1.5 million dollars is intended for a project called Farmers' Training and Functional Literacy undertaken jointly by the Ministries of Food and Agriculture, Education, and Information and Broadcasting and Communications. A portion of this amount is to be utilized for strengthening the Farm Radio Broadcasting Services in India.

(b) For strengthening Farm Radio Broadcasting Services in India, it is planned to set up 46 intensive Farm and Home Broadcasting Units to intensify rural broadcasting by providing a continuous flow of information to the Farming community for maximising agricultural production specifically in the High Yielding Varieties Programme areas. 20 such units have already been set up at selected centres of AFR and

seven more will be set up during 1969-70. Further augmentation is expected to go hand with the expansion of the Formers' Training programmes.

#### Transistors for Farmers

2857. SHRI RAMACHANDRA VEERAPPA :  
SHRI BALRAJ MADHOK :  
SHRI HARDAYAL DEVGUNA :  
SHRI BENI SHANKAR SHARMA :  
SHRI D. C. SHARMA :  
SHRI RANJIT SINGH :  
SHRI N. K. SANGHI :

Will the Minister of FOOD AND AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering a bulk purchase of low cost transistors to be sold to farmers ;

(b) if so, the number of transistors likely would be purchased, and the area in which they are likely to be distributed ; and

(c) the number of transistors that would be distributed in Orissa, Mysore and Rajasthan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD, AGRICULTURE, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CO-OPERATION (SHRI ANNASAHIB SHINDE) : (a) Yes, Sir. It is proposed to purchase low cost transistors for distribution to Farmers' Discussion Groups under the scheme of Farmers' Training and Education.

(b) 30,000.

It is proposed to distribute the transistors in 100 selected High Yielding Variety Programme Districts, that will cover the Farmers Training and Education Programme.

(c) It is proposed to distribute to Orissa, Mysore and Rajasthan 1000, 2000 and 1500 transistor sets, respectively.

#### Unemployment Problem of Educated Youth in Rural Areas

2858. SHRI DEORAO PATIL : Will the Minister of LABOUR AND REHABILITATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Planning Commission have considered the growing unemployment,