

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF DD/AIR IN GUJARAT AND TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

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- (a): whether the Tamil Nadu and Gujarat Government and various institutions have demanded for setting up more T.V. and Radio Centres in various districts of Tamil Nadu and Gujarat including Jamnagar and Porbandar;
- (b): if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said demand is likely to be met;
- (c): if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the locations where T.V., Radio and Relay Centres have been set up recently and the relay capacity of each of these centres, centre-wise;
- (e): the plan, project and estimate to augment their capacity;
- (f) whether the Government propose to set up new T.V., Radio and Relay Centres in Tamil Nadu and Gujarat during 2003; and
- (g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a), (b) & (c) : Request for establishment of TV centres are received from time to time from various State Governments and institutions etc. Requests for establishment of TV transmitters in the district of Amreli, Banaskantha, Kutch and Panchmahal have been received from the Government of Gujarat. No request from Government of Tamil Nadu appears to have been received in the recent past

No request from the State Governments of Tamil Nadu and Gujarat has been received for setting up of Radio Stations. However, some requests have been received from others including some VIPs.

(d) : Details of Radio Stations/TV transmitters commissioned in the States of Tamil Nadu and Gujarat during 2002-03 (till February, 03) are as under:-

(i) Gujarat: AIR: 1 KMMW Transmitter at Himmatnagar; DD: HPTs at Surat (DDI & II-interim); Rajkot (DDI-int) and LPTs (DD-II) at Jamnagar, Vadodara and Bhavnagar.

(ii) Tamil Nadu: AIR: 10 KW FM Transmitter at Dharmapuri. Doordarshan: DD2 LPTs at Tirupattur, Madurai, Erode and Tirunelveli.

(e) : Existing HPTs (1KW -interim) at Surat (DDI & II); Rajkot (DDII) and LPT, Vadodara (DDII) are envisaged to be upgraded to 1 KW HPTs.

During the 10th Plan, the following AIR centres have been proposed in Gujarat and Tamil Nadu:

Gujarat – i) Surat (10 KW FM), ii) Junagarh (5 KW FM), iii) Jamnagar (10 KW FM), iv) Bhuj (10 KW FM), v) Rajkot (1000 KW MW), vi) Ahmedabad (Digital uplink)

Tamil Nadu : i) Teni (5 KW FM), ii) Madurai (10 KW FM), iii) Chennai (20 KW FM), iv) Tirunelveli (10 KW FM), v) Madurai (New uplink)

(f) & (g) : In addition to the above projects, the following TV projects are under implementation in the States of Tamil Nadu and Gujarat.

i) Gujarat: HPT Radhanpur

ii) Tamil Nadu: HPTs at Kodaikanal (DDII); Dharmapuri (DDI) and Tirunelveli (DD1) and VLPTs (DDI) at Thiruvannamalai and Kanchipuram.

DDII HPT at Kodaikanal and DDI VLPTs at Thiruvannamalai and Kanchipuram are expected to be commissioned during 2003.

