GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3382 ANSWERED ON:13.03.2003 MONETARY CRISIS IN A.I.R. SUDHA YADAV

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

(a) whether All India Radio is in monetary crisis;
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) the annual funds allotted by the Government to All India Radio during the last three years and till date;
(d) whether All India radio is unable to pay the artists and writers in time;
(e) if so, the reasons therefor; and
(f) the steps taken/likely to be taken by the Government in this regard?
Answer
THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVISHANKAR PRASAD)
(a): No, Sir.
(b): Does not arise.
(c): The details of Revenue Non-Plan Budget allotted by the Government to Prasar Bharati (All India Radio) is as follows:
Year Sanctioned Budget Grant (Rs.in crores)
1999-2000 691.28 2000-2001 525.55 2001-2002 527.81 2002-2003 515.64

- (d): All India Radio has informed that no such complaints are there any more.
- (e) & (f): Do not arise.