GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1644
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2003
SHIFTING OF T.V. TRANSMITTER IN CHIRGAON (SHIMLA)
MAHESHWAR SINGH

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

- (a) whether the very low power TV transmitters proposed to be set up in Jatingari, Kazaand Chirgaon in Shimla district of Himachal Pradesh during the year 2002-2003 have already been set up;
- (b) if so, whether the installed transmitter in Chirgaon, district Shimla is not covering its envisaged area as it is in the back of a hill and the local people have repeatedly requested to shift it to another place; and
- (c) if so, the action taken/likely to be taken by the Government and the time by which the said transmitter would be shifted to another place?

Answer

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

- (a): VLPTs at Jatingari and Chirgaon have been commissioned into service w.e.f. 1.5.2003. Installation of VLPT at Kaja has just been completed.
- (b): VLPT at Chirgaon is reported to be functioning normally and provides coveragewithin a range of about 8 Kms. However, certain pockets, though in the coverage zone of the transmitter are not covered due to hilly terrain conditions. No request for change of location of the above VLPT has been received.
- (c): Does not arise.