

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

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INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY MATCHES ON DD
RAM SAJEEVAN

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

- (a) whether Doordarshan did not make any arrangements for the live telecast of hockey matches recently held in Australia and Germany though Hockey is our national game and Indian team is performing very well at present;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government have made any arrangements for live telecast of matches to be played by Indian Hockey teams for the next Champion Trophy;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Prasar Bharati has informed that Doordarshan does not have the rights for telecast of the matches of Indian Hockey team playing outside India.
- (c) to (e): Doordarshan is making efforts to secure the rights.