

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

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ORIYA PROGRAMMES ON DD
PARSURAM MAJHI

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

- (a) the details of various Doordarshan Kendras through which Oriya programmes are being produced and telecast and relayed at present;
- (b) whether the Government has a proposal to increase the number of such Doordarshan Kendras in Orissa during Tenth Five Year Plan and Oriya speaking areas in other States to produce, telecast and relay such programmes; and
- (c) if so, the details along with 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 RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a), (b) & (c): Prasar Bharati has informed that Doordarshan Kendras at Bhubaneswar, Sambalpur and Bhawanipatna produce and telecast Oriya programmes. They have also informed that Doordarshan Kendras at Sambalpur and Bhawanipatna as well as following number of transmitters in Orissa relay Oriya programmes which are telecast from DDK, Bhubaneswar according to their needs:-

HPTs	-	07
LPTs	-	68
VLPTs	-	19
Transposer	-	01

Prasar Bharati has informed that one VLPT is under implementation at Bahalda.