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TV/RADIO TRANSMISSION IN UNIVERSITIES
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some universities and educational institutions have been permitted for limited community TV/Radio transmission;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the universities and educational institutions in the country, where such projects have been introduced?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S.JAIPAL REDDY)

(a). In December 2002, the Union Government approved a scheme for the grant of Community Broadcasting licenses to well established educational institutions including Universities. However, there's no such scheme for Community TV broadcasting.

(b) & (c) Till date, 74 applications have been received. 53 eligible applications have been referred to Ministry of Home Affairs & Human Resource Development for clearance and Ministry of Communications & IT for availability of frequency. Letters of intent have been issued to 38 institutions and 23 have signed license agreement with us. The following 8 institutions have started Community Radio Broadcasting:

1. Anna University, Chennai
2. Sri Manakula Vinayagar Engg. College, Pondicherry
3. India International Instt.of Management, Jaipur
4. Kongu Engg. College, Erode
5. MOP Vaishnav College for Women, Chennai
6. Sunbeam English School, Varanasi
- 7 Vidya Pratisthan's Instt. Of Info. Technology, Baramati, Pune
8. City Montessori School, Lucknow