

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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MARATHI CHANNEL
Khaire Shri Chandrakant Bhaurao

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

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has requested the Union Government to start a separate Marathi channel under Mumbai Doorarshan; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) No, Sir.

(b) However, Doordarshan is already running DD Sahyadri – Marathi channel for Maharashtra.