

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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LPT/HPT/VLPTS

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

- (a) the number of HPT/LPT/VLPTS proposed to be installed in the country during the Ninth Five Year Plan and actual number of HPT/LPT/VLPTS installed in each State;
- (b) the target fixed for the Tenth Five Year Plan alongwith the efforts being made to achieve the target, State-wise;
- (c) the number of LPT/VLPTS converted into HPTs during the last three years State- wise;
- (d) whether the Government has received requests from the various State Governments and people representatives for setting up and conversion of VLPT/LPT/HPTs in their States during the last three;
- (e) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;
- (f) the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (g) the number of VLPTS/LPTs proposed to be converted into HPTs during the current year alongwith expenditure to be incurred thereon, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) : 587 HPT/LPT/VLPT projects of Doordarshan were proposed to be installed in the country during the Ninth Five Year Plan. Out of the above, 487 projects were installed during IX plan period. State-wise number is given at Annexure-I.

(b) : 164 transmitter projects(including spill-over schemes of Ninth Plan) were targeted for completion during the Tenth Five Year Plan. State-wise number is given at Annexure-II. Out of the above, 129 projects have already been completed. The remaining projects are at different stages of implementation and are expected to be completed, in phases, by the end of the Tenth Plan.

(c): During the last 3 years (since 01.04.2001), 5 VLPTs have been converted into HPTs as follows :

J&K - 4
Manipur - 1

(d), (e) & (f) : Requests for setting up of new Doordarshan centres and conversion of VLPT/HPT in their States are received from various quarters viz. VIPs, State Governments, General Public etc. from time to time. These are taken into account while formulating plans for expansion of Doordarshan network, subject to availability of resources.

(g) : During 2004-05, 6 LPTs are envisaged to be converted into HPTs as per details below :

State No. of LPTs to be Converted Approved Cost

Gujarat	2		Rs. 13.88 Cr.
Haryana	2		Rs. 15.90 Cr.
Kerala	1		Rs. 6.67 Cr.
West Bengal		1	Rs. 9.35 Cr.