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TV STATION IN ANDHRA PRADESH
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) The number of TV Stations in Andhra Pradesh alongwith coverage area of each ;
- (b) The number of people being connected by each of these stations ;
- (c) Whether the Government proposes to set up additional TV Stations and upgrade the existing ones; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. DASMUNSI)

(a) & (b) : There are, at present, 3 TV Studio Centres and 105 TV transmitters of varying power functioning in Andhra Pradesh. Break up of the transmitters is as under :

- (i) DD1 – 95 (HPTs-9, LPTs-75, VLPTs-11)
- (ii) DD News – 10 (HPTs-4, LPTs-6)

Coverage range of the above transmitters is as under :

Transmitter Type	Power	Primary coverage range
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HPT	10 kW	70-80 Kms.
HPT	1 kW/ 5 kW UHF	40 Kms.
LPT	100W/ 300W/ 500W	15-20 Kms.
VLPT	10W/ 50W	5-6 Kms.

Fringe coverage is available beyond the primary coverage zone of the transmitters. It is estimated that about 89.7% population of Andhra Pradesh is covered by the above transmitters. Area-wise coverage in the state is about 82.7%. The above coverage figures are inclusive of fringe coverage.

(c) & (d) : The existing LPT at Mehboobnagar is envisaged to be replaced by an HPT and new TV Studio Centre is envisaged to be set up at Tirupati in the state of Andhra Pradesh.

HPT- High Power Transmitter; LPT – Low Power Transmitter; VLPT – Very Low Power Transmitter.