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

(a) whether the entire work relating to Doordarshan's relay centres AIR stations at Narasaraopet, Vinukonda and Macherla in Andhra Pradesh has since been completed; and

(b) if so, the time by which the relay centres will start functioning?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Doordarshan's Low Power Transmitters at Narsaraopet, Vinukonda and Macherla in Andhra Pradesh are functioning since September, 1998, May, 2000, and September, 1998, respectively.

As regards All India Radio, a full fledged Station (3 KW FM Transmitter with Studio) at Macherla is technically ready and will be commissioned as soon as the sanction for staff is received. At present there is no proposal to set up AIR Station at Narasaraopet and Vinukonda in Andhra Pradesh.