

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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TARGET FIXED TO COMPLETE SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether AIR had fixed targets for completing 36 schemes during 2003-04;
- (b) if so, whether 11 schemes have been brought forward and six schemes could not be completed due to delay in tender process;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Ministry has chalked out any strategy to complete all the new schemes and brought forward some schemes during 2004-05; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a): Yes Sir.

(b) & (c) : Prasar Bharati has intimated that against the target of 36 All India Radio projects, 28 projects (including 4 projects not targeted in 2003-04) were completed during 2003-04. Shortfall has occurred as order for transmitters could not be placed due to objections from bidders during the processing of tenders.

(d) & (e) : Efforts are being made to complete the targeted projects during this year. The progress of projects is being monitored closely by frequent visits to project sites so that various field problems can be redressed quickly.