

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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PROGRAMMES BROADCASTED BY AIR CENTRE ALWAR
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the programmes broadcasted by the Alwar (Rajasthan) centre of Akashvani cannot be heard in the entire district;
- (b) whether mountains of Aravali hills create hindrance in transmission of radio waves in most of the places of this district;
- (c) if so, the corrective steps taken by the Government to solve the problem;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to start some other scheme of Akashvani for this hilly area; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a) to (e) : Yes, Sir. Coverage in FM band gets affected by hills. However, in order to further strengthen the radio coverage in Alwar district, existing 6 kW FM transmitter at AIR Alwar is proposed to be replaced by 10 kW FM transmitter in 10th Five Year Plan. The implementation of the scheme is, however, subject to approval of the competent authority and availability of resources.