GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3095 ANSWERED ON:16.03.2010 SHORTAGE OF STAFF IN AIR DD CENTRES Gowda Shri D.V. Sadananda

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

(a) whether some Centres of All India Radio Stations/Doordarshan in the country including Mangalore Centre are not functioning properly on account of shortage of staff;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for such shortage;

(c) the corrective steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;

(d) whether the Government has taken any steps to change the Advisory Committee by appointing local artists and philanthropists; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SH. C.M. JATUA)

(a) and (b) The Manglore Center of AIR and Doordarshan have been functioning properly. However, some AIR and Doordarshan centers are not fully operational due to shortage of staff. Shortage of staff is mainly due to non-undertaking of direct recruitment.

(c) Promotional vacancies are filled up by holding Departmental Promotion Committee meetings. Redeployment of staff is made to meet the functional requirement of some of the Centers.

(d) and (e) As per the guidelines, Advisory committee is re-constituted at Kendras after the completion of the tenure of existing committees . The members of such committees are locally selected on the basis of their specialization in various disciplines.