

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6303  
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GYAN VANI FM RADIO  
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of Gyan Vani FM Radio Stations functioning in the country, State-wise and location-wise;
- (b) the main objectives of the said stations;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to set up more Gyan Vani Stations in various parts of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise; and
- (e) the time by which such stations are likely to be set up and made functional?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING (SHRI C. M. JATUA)

- (a) The details are given in Annexure-A.
- (b) Gyan Vani is an educational FM radio channel aimed at enhancing and supplementing the teaching/learning process by reaching the learners through a low cost popular mass medium using Interactive Radio Counselling formats for various syllabus based educational subjects. Gyan Vani also serves to address the local educational, developmental and socio-cultural requirements.
- (c) Yes, Sir. The proposal to set up additional 15 Gyan Vani stations for the second phase is being considered in consultation with the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- (d) The details are given in Annexure-B
- (e) No fixed time frame has been set for operation of 15 additional Gyan Vani stations.