

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3281
ANSWERED ON:28.07.2009
REGIONAL NEWS BULLETIN
Sanjoy Shri Takam

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

- (a) whether the All India Radio (AIR) broadcasts regional news bulletins from its stations;
- (b) if so, details thereof including the languages in which such bulletins are broadcast, State-wise;
- (c) whether several State Governments have requested the introduction of regional news Bulletin in Hindi and English including Arunachal Pradesh;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (e) whether broadcasting of regional news bulletins has not commenced in some States including Arunachal Pradesh; and
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which it is likely to commence?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Details are given in Annexure.

(c) & (d): Prasar Bharati has informed that there is a request from Arunachal Pradesh Government for introduction of regional news bulletins in Hindi and English. No other State Governments have made such requests.

(e) & (f): The proposal for introduction of regional news bulletins in Hindi and English from AIR, Itanagar has been approved. The process of empanelment of Casual News Reader – cum- Translators (NRTs) is in progress and the bulletins will start in August 2009, after the empanelment process is over.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3281 FOR ANSWER ON 28.07.2009.

REGIONAL NEWS BULLETINS IN HOME SERVICES FOR REGIONAL NEWS UNITS (RNUs)

Sl. No.	Station	No. of	TimingsHrs.	Language/Dialect
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tins

ANDHRA PRADESH

1 Hyderabad 3 1310-1320 1750-1800 1815-1825 Telugu Urdu Telugu

2. Vijayawada 2 0645-0655 1320-1330 Telugu Telugu

**ANDEMAN &
NICOBAR ISLANDS**

3. Port Blair 2 0705-0715 1900-1905 Hindi Hindi

ARUNACHAL PRADESH

4. Itanagar 11 0620-0625 0640-0645 0715- Tagin Apatani Adi Galo Miju
0720 1545-1550 1605-1610 1625- Mishmi Khampti Wancho Idu

16301700-17051720-17251740- Tangsa Nocte Adi Nyshi
17451830-18351900-1905

ASSAM

5. Dibrugarh 1 1800-1805 Assamese
6. Guwahati 6 0850-09001845-18552125- Assamese Assamese Assamese
21301640-16501545- Bodo Karbi Nepali (Byweekly)
15551515-1525
7. Silchar 4 0735-07401730-17351800- Bengali Manipuri Dimasa Bengali
18051950-2000

BIHAR

8. Patna 5 0830-08401510-15151515- Hindi Hindi Urdu Maithili Hindi
15201815-18201930-1940

CHATTISGARH

9. Raipur 2 1800-18051911-1921 Chattisgarhi Hindi

GOA

- 10 Panaji 2 0725-07301920-1930 Konkani Konkani

GUJARAT

11. Ahmedabad 3 0705-07151425-14301910-1920 Gujarati Gujarati Gujarati
12 Bhuj 2 0650-06551825-1830 Gujarati Gujarati

HARYANA & PUNJAB

- 13 Chandigarh 4 1305-13101310-13151810-
18201820-1830 Hindi Punjabi Hindi Punjabi

HIMACHAL PRADESH

14. Shimla 3 0915-09201800-18051950-2000 Hindi Hindi Hindi

JAMMU & KASHMIR

15. Jammu 4 0920-09301230-12351700-
17101815-1825 Dogri Dogri Gojri Dogri
16. Kargil 2 1725-17301930-1935 Purgee Purgee
17. Leh 2 0905-09101915-1925 Ladhaki Ladhaki

18. Srinagar 9 0920-09250925-09301230- Kashmiri Urdu Urdu Kashmiri
12351235-12401750- Gojri Balti Kashmiri Urdu Urdu
18001920-19301930-
19401940-19552305-2310

JHARKHAND

19. Ranchi 7 0830-08401900-19101920- Hindi Hindi Nagpuri (W) Kurukh (W)
19251925-19301930-19351935- Mundari (W) Ho (W) Santhali (W)
19401940-1945

KARNATAKA

- 20 Bangalore 2 1430-14351840-1850 Kannada Kannada

21 Dharwad 1 0705-0715 Kannada

Kerala
22 Kozhikode 2 0645-06551230-1240 Malyalam Malyalam

23 Thiruvananthapuram 2 1230-12401820-1830 Malyalam Malyalam

Madhya Pradesh
24. Bhopal 2 1420-14251910-1920 Hindi Hindi

25. Indore 1 0705-0715 Hindi

MAHARASHTRA
26 Aurangabad 2 0650-07000840-0845 Marathi Urdu

27. Mumbai 5 1345-13501900-19101035-10401815-18201945-1950 Marathi Marathi Marathi Marathi Marathi

28. Nagpur 1 1850-1900 Marathi

29. Pune 1 0710-0720 Marathi

MANIPUR
30. Imphal 9 0730-07401200-12051600-16061620-16261640-16461700-17071730-17361750-17571930-1945 Manipuri Manipuri Hamar Paite Kabuli Thadou Mao Tangkhul Manipuri

MEGHALAYA
31 Shillong 5 0740-07550830-08351805-18151840-18501950-2000 Khasi English Gairo Jaintia Khasi

MIZORAM
32 Aizwal 2 0730-07401830-1840 Mizo Mizo

NAGALAND
33 Kohima 17 0550-06000620-06300650-07000720-07250835-08450905-09150935-09451005-10151500-15101530-15401600-16101630-16401700-17101730-17401800-18101910-19201920-1930 Sangtam Yimchungru Konyak Nagamese Khiamnugan Phom Chang Zeliang Kuki Rengma Sema Lotha Chakhesang Ao Angami Nagamese English

ORISSA
34. Cuttack 3 0750-07101432-14421845-1855 Oriya Oriya Oriya

PUDUCHERRY
35. Puducherry 1 1810-1820 Tamil

RAJASTHAN
36. Jaipur 4 0900-09051230-12351830-18401950-1900 Hindi Hindi Hindi Rajasthani

SIKKIM

37. Gangtok 3 1840-18451845-18501850-1855 Nepali Lepcha Bhutia

TAMILNADU

38 Chennai 2 0645-06551830-1840 Tamil Tamil

39 Tiruchirapalli 1 1345-1355 Tamil

TRIPURA

40 Agartala 4 0735-07400740-07451945- Bengali Kokborok Kokborok Bengali
19551955-2005

UTTRANCHAL

41 Dehradun 1 1830-1840 Hindi

UTTAR PRADESH

42 Gorakhpur 3 0720-07301725-17301800-1805 Hindi Bhojpuri Hindi

43 Lucknow 2 1310-13151920-1930 Urdu Hindi

WEST BENGAL

44. Kolkata 12 0620-06300735-07450915- Bengali Bengali Bengali Bengali
09251010-10151230-12351340- Bengali Bengali Bengali Santhali
13451625-16301810-18201835- Bengali Bengali Bengali Bengali
18381950-20002010-20152200-
2210

45 Kurseong 1 1850-1900 Nepali