## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4296
ANSWERED ON:04.08.2009
CORRESPONDENTS AND NEWS READERS IN DOORDARSHAN
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## Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of correspondents and news readers employed by Doordarshan in the country including in the Bhubneshwar and Ranchi Doordarshan Stations, State-wise;
- (b) the number of correspondents and news readers belonging to the Scheduled Caste (SC) and Scheduled Tribe (ST) community, State-wise;
- (c) whether the provisions relating to reservation are not being followed in the rank of correspondents and news readers by the Doordarshan; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto and the corrective action being taken in this regard?

## **Answer**

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

- (a), (b) & (c) 16 correspondents 4 newsreaders are employed by Doordarshan in the country including Bhubneshwar and Ranchi Doordarshan stations. Out of 16 correspondents 3 belong to Scheduled Caste community. Station wise details are given in the Annexure. Reservation policy is being followed in regular appointments in Doordarshan.
- (d) Does not arise

ANNEXURE REFFERED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (c) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4296 FOR ANSWER ON 04.08.2009

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S.No. Kendra Number of Category Number of Category
Correspondent News Readers
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1. AHMEDABAD (GUJRAT) Nil - - -
2. AGARTALA (TRIPURA)
3. AIZAWL (MIZORAM) Nil - -
4. BHOPAL (MADHYA PRADESH) Nil - -
5. BHUBANESWER (ORRISA) Nil
6. BANGALORE (KARNATKA) 1 (regular) Gen. -
7 CHENNAI (TAMIL NADU) 1 (regular) Gen.
8. GUWAHATI (ASSAM) Nil Gen.
9. HYDERABAD (ANDHRA PRADEHS) 3 (regular) One SC 1 (regular) Gen
12. JAIPUR (RAJASTHAN) Nil - -
13. JALANDHAR (PUNJAB) 1 SC 1 (Regular) Gen 14. JAMMU (J&K) Nil - 1 (regular) Gen
15. KOLKATA (WEST BENGAL) 3 (regular) - -
16. KOHIMA (NAGALAND) Nil -
17. LUCKNOW (UTTAR PRADESH) 1 (regular) SC Nil
18. MUMBAI (MAHARASHTRA) Nil - - -
19. PATNA (BIHAR) Nil - -
20. RANCHI (JHARKHAND) Nil -
21. RAIPUR (CHATTISGARH) Nil -
22. SHIMLA (HIMACHAL PRADESH) Nil - - -
23. SRINAGAR (J & K) Nil - -
24. THRIVANANTHAPURAM (KERALA) - -
25. DD News Headquarters 6 Gen 1 Gen
TOTAL
         16 - 4 -
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Note: All the Regional News Units are also booking Newsreaders on Casual Contract basis for not more than 10 days in a month.