GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4390 ANSWERED ON:04.08.2009 DIGITAL TRANSMITTERS Satpathy Shri Tathagata

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to transmit programmes on Television in the digital format;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of transmitters likely to be set up/replaced by digital transmitters during the current year, State-wise; and

(d) the likely cost of replacing High Power Transmitters / Low Power Transmitters from Analog to Digital platform?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Doordarshan has planned introduction of digital terrestrial transmission. The scheme in this regard is in process of approval.

(c) During current year, no digital transmitter is envisaged to be set up.

(d) Present estimated cost of setting up of digital High Power & Low Power transmitters (at existing sites) is about Rs. 8 crores and 1 crore, respectively.