

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

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SHORT WAVE BROADCASTING CENTRES  
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

- (a) the names of short wave broadcasting centres in the country and details of such stations/centres set up during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;
- (b) the names of the said centres more than ten years old, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to increase their broadcasting capacity;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Prasar Bharati has informed that at present, 28 Short Wave (SW) Broadcasting centres of AIR are functioning in the country. No new SW centres / stations have been setup during the last three years and the current year. The state-wise details of the existing AIR SW stations are given in Annexure.
- (b) All the 28 SW AIR centres are more than 10 years old.
- (c) & (d) Yes, Sir. At Delhi, 100 kW SW transmitters (2 nos.), at Aligarh, 250 kW SW transmitters (2 nos.) and at Bangalore, 500 kW SW transmitter ( 1 no.) are being replaced by new digital (DRM) transmitters in the New Scheme under 11th Plan.
- (e) Does not arise.