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TRANSMISSION CAPACITY OF DD/AIR
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of Doordarshan Kendras (DDK) and All India Radio (AIR) Stations in the country whose transmission capacity has been increased during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the details of the earlier transmission capacity and the present enhanced transmission capacity of the said Kendras/Stations;
- (c) the number of such Kendras/Stations, out of those whose transmission capacity is the lowest alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps being taken in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) & (b): During 11th Plan, 33 transmitter of AIR are being upgraded in the country. The details of AIR Transmitters whose transmission capacity has been increased during the last three years and the current year are given below. No AIR transmitter capacity has been increased during 2010-11.

S.No.	Place	State	Existing Power	Proposed Power	Year of commissioning
1	Chennai	Tamil Nadu	5 kW FM	20 kW FM	2008-09
2	Kolkata	West Bengal	5 kW FM	20 kW FM	2009-10

The details of Doordarshan Transmitters whose transmission capacity has been increased during the last three years and the current year are given below:

2008-09

- i. Power of transmitter at Chhatarpur (Madhya Pradesh) increased from 100W to 20 kW.
- ii Power of transmitter at Vadodara (Gujarat) increased from 5 kW to 10 kW.
- iii. Power of transmitter at Kharagpur (West Bengal) increased from 1 kW to 10 kW.

2009-10

- i. Power of transmitter at Saharsa (Bihar) increased from 1 kW to 20 kW.
- ii.Power of transmitter at Barmer (Rajasthan) increased from 1 kW to 10 kW.

2010-11

- i. Power of transmitter at Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh) increased from 100 W to 20 kW.
- ii.Power of transmitter at Kokrajhar (Assam) increased from 1 kW to 10 kW.

2011-12 - Nil

(c) and (d): All the above channels of AIR indicated above have been upgraded to same power (20 kW FM). Presently, 1415 DD Transmitters of varying powers are functioning in the country. Out of these, 389 transmitters are Very Low Power of 10W/50W power. Very low power transmitters have been set up mainly in hilly & remote areas for providing TV coverage to small concentration of

population.

All the areas uncovered by terrestrial transmission, alongwith rest of the country, have been provided with multi channel TV coverage through Doordarshan's free-to-air DTH service "DD Direct Plus", signals of which can be received all over the country.