

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6  
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DTH SERVICES  
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the subscribers of Direct to Home (DTH) have increased during the last few years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Government is aware that DTH service providers/operators broadcasting radio channels to woo the customers, have stopped relaying them;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore;
- (e) whether the government proposes to take action against the errant DTH operators; and
- (f) if so, the details of action taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

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

(a)&(b): As per the data provided by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India, the registered subscribers base in the DTH sector for the last three years and the current year are as under:

S.No.	Year	Registered Subscriber Base for Pay DTH SERVICE
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1.	December, 2008	11104997
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2.	December, 2009	19148848
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3.	December, 2010	32054073
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4.	September, 2011	41044463
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(c): No such instances were brought to the notice of the Ministry as at present there are no policy guidelines for carrying radio channels on DTH platform.

(d) to (f): Does not arise.