

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1061  
ANSWERED ON:20.03.2012  
SETTING UP OF TRANSMITTERS  
Sainuji Shri Kowase Marotrao

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

- (a) the targets set by the Government/ Prasar Bharati for setting up of High Power Transmitters /Low Power Transmitters/very Low Power Transmitters in the country during the 11th Five year Plan, State-wise and location -wise;
- (b) whether the Government/Prasar Bharati has achieved its targets in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and location-wise;
- (d) if not , the reasons therefor;and
- (e) the efforts made so far/being made to achieve the set targets, State-wise and location wise?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(c): Prasar Bharati has informed that as part of continuing schemes from 10th Plan of Doordarshan , 29 new TV transmitters (HPTs-9, VLPTs-20) were targeted to be set up under 11th Plan. Out of these, 27 TV transmitters (HPTs-8, VLPTs-19) have since been commissioned. State-wise locations of the above transmitters are given at Annexure-I. The remaining 2 transmitters viz. HPT, Mehboobnagar (A.P.) and VLPT, Jogindernagar (A&N Islands) are at different stages of implementation.

As part of 11th Plan scheme of digitalization of Doordarshan network projects of 40 digital high power TV transmitters were approved in April, 2010. State-wise locations of these transmitters are given at Annexure-II. Out of these, only seven digital transmitters (at Delhi, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Kolkata, Bangaluru, Chennai) were envisaged to be set up during 11th Plan period. Procurement action for these seven digital transmitters is underway.

As regards All India Radio (AIR), the schemes for installation of total 299 new MW/FM transmitters of various capacities in the country was approved during 11th Plan, 167 Nos. of transmitters under the Continuing Scheme and 132 nos. of transmitters under the New Schemes of 11th Plan. The state-wise details of various types of transmitters are given in Annexure-III & IV.

The status of setting of the new AIR Transmitters are as under:-

S.No.	11th Plan Total approved	Completed	In Progress	Pending due to
	New Transmitters Till Feb' 2012	non-allotment		
	of Site from			
	State Govts.			

1	Continuing Scheme	167	115	46	6
---	-------------------	-----	-----	----	---

2	New Scheme	132	1	131	-
---	------------	-----	---	-----	---

(d): It is a constant endeavor of Prasar Bharati to complete the projects at the earliest. However, the main reasons for delay in completion the projects are due to delay in offering of suitable sites by the State Government and due to delays in construction of building/towers etc.

(e): The following steps have been taken by Prasar Bharati to complete the scheme:

# A High level Committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of CEO,Prasar Bharati for Project monitoring and implementation.

# This Ministry has delegated the power to purchase equipment/ stores of less than Rs. 300 Cr. to Prasar Bharati .

# An Empowered Committee of Finance has been constituted to resolves all issues related to finance.

# Project monitoring committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of DG, AIR and DG:DD to strengthen the monitoring mechanism for AIR and DD projects respectively.

# Nodal Officers have been nominated for the schemes included in RFD.