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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2749 ANSWERED ON:28.08.2012 **FM RADIO SERVICES** Raghavendra Shri B. Y.

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

- (a) whether any proposal is pending before the Government to start FM radio services by utilising the existing High Power Transmitters (HPTs) and other facilities available in various districts including Shimoga district of Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the follow up action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a): Prasar Bharati has informed that, the schemes for setting up of FM Transmitters by utilizing the existing infrastructure of AIR & DD have been approved under 11th Plan (New Scheme) at the following places in Karnataka:
- S. No. Place Capacity of FM Transmitter AIR/DD Site
- 1. Devangere 100 Watt LPTV
 2. Hosdurg 100 Watt LPTV
 3. Kumata 100 Watt LPTV
 4. Sagar 100 Watt LPTV

- 5. Tumkur 100 Watt LPTV
- 6. Bhadrawati 1 kW AIR Studio

The installation work of the above transmitters is in progress and is likely to be completed during this year

(b) &(c): Does not arise.