

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
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LOK SABHA**

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UPLINKING DOWNLINKING FACILITIES IN DDKS  
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has any scheme for providing uplinking and downlinking facility in all Doordarshan Kendras (DDKs) of the country including Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, State /UT-wise; and
- (c) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to provide uplinking/downlinking facility in all the DDKs of the country including Madhya Pradesh?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI MANISH TEWARI)

(a) Prasar Bharati has informed that satellite uplinking facility is provided at those Doordarshan Kendras where there is requirement for uplinking of programmes. Downlinking facility is provided at all Doordarshan stations for receiving programmes through satellite.

(b) & (c) Satellite uplinking facility is presently available at 36 Doordarshan Kendras in the country. Projects for establishment of satellite uplinking facilities at the following 5 additional Doordarshan Kendras are under implementation, as part of 11th Plan scheme:

- (1) Indore ( Madhya Pradesh)
- (2) Jalpaiguri (West Bengal)
- (3) Vijaywada (Andhra Pradesh)
- (4) Rajkot (Gujarat)
- (5) Gorakhpur (Uttar Pradesh)

The above mentioned five projects are expected to be commissioned during the current year.