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DOORDARSHAN AND ALL INDIA RADIO STATIONS IN ANDHRA PRADESH .

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

(a) the location-wise details of total number of Doordarshan and All India Radio Stations in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) the details of upgradation and modernization work carried out in these Doordarshan and All India Radio stations during the last three years and the current year, location-wise; and

(c) the area-wise details of places in the State which are not covered by the transmissions / telecasts of Doordarshan and All India Radio?

**Answer**

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

(a) Prasar Bharati has informed that there are 4 Studio centres and 105 TV transmitters of varying power functioning in Andhra Pradesh. Location-wise details are given in Annexure-I.

At present, All India Radio stations are functioning at 24 places in Andhra Pradesh. The location-wise detail is given in Annexure-II.

(b) The details of the up-gradation and modernization work carried out during each of the last three years and the current year for Doordarshan and AIR are given at Annexure-III and Annexure-IV respectively.

(c) Doordarshan coverage in terrestrial mode is estimated to be available to about 89.7% of the population spread over about 82.7% area of Andhra Pradesh. All the areas uncovered by terrestrial transmission (as well as the country as a whole) have been provided with multi channel TV coverage through Doordarshan's free-to-air DTH service. As far as AIR is concerned, presently the terrestrial coverage is available to the 99.00 % area and 99.50 % population of the state of Andhra Pradesh and presently following places are not covered by AIR terrestrial signal:

(i) Small area of North-Western part of Visakhapatnam district near Maddigeru.

(ii) Small area of North-East pocket of Srikakulam district near Sompeta. However, only 0.50 % of the population of Andhra Pradesh lives in these areas. 21 channels of All India Radio are available through Doordarshan's free-to-air DTH platform throughout the country including un-covered areas and can be received by using set top Box with the help of small sized dish antenna receiver units.