

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MODERNISATION OF AIR AND DOORDARSHAN
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has chalked out any action plan for the modernisation of All India Radio (AIR) and Doordarshan (DD);
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the status of implementation of the action plan; and
- (c) the funds allocated for the implementation of the above said plan during the 11th Five Year Plan period?

Answer

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

(a) to (c): As part of 11th Plan, an amount of Rs. 1083.57 crores were allocated for the following schemes of Modernisation of Studios and transmitters of Doordarshan:-

- (i) Digitalization of transmitters and studios in Doordarshan Network;
- (ii) Modernization, Augmentation and replacement of Transmitter and Studio Equipment in Doordarshan Network;
- (iii) High Definition Television (HDTV).

The status of implementation of these projects are given at Annexure-I. As regards All India Radio (AIR), an amount of Rs. 962.2 crores were allocated for the schemes of modernisation of existing AIR stations in the 11th Five Year Plan. The status of the implementation of the projects are given at Annexure-II.