GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:687 ANSWERED ON:24.11.2009 MODERN EQUIPMENTS FOR AIR STATIONS Narayanasamy Shri

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

- (a) whether various All India Radio (AIR) centres / stations of the country including Madhya Pradesh have been provided with modern equipments which are being utilised for purposes other than live broadcasting;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of Government thereto;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to start live telecast from such centres/ stations;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which these centres/ stations are likely to commence live broadcasting; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) Latest equipments are provided from time to time at all AIR stations and All India Radio is keeping pace with latest technology in broadcasting field. These equipments can be used for live as well as recorded broadcasts depending on programme requirements.
- (b) AIR stations have been provided following latest/ digital equipments as per its category and requirement. The details of equipments are as under:
- 1. Studio equipment:
- (i) Hard disk (computer) based system for transmission and programme production.
- (ii) Transmission console.
- (iii) Dubbing and editing console.
- (iv) Portable recorders.
- (v) Hand held recorders.
- 2. Studio transmitter links, Digital satellites news gathering vans, satellite uplink equipments, INMARSAT equipment & audio CODEC etc. to feed progaramme as per requirement of the stations.
- 3. Transmitter:
- (i) Better efficiency and performance based Medium Wave & Short Wave Transmitter.
- (ii) FM transmitter of latest technology, which accepts analog, mono, analogue stereo signal.
- (c),(d)&(e) The programme of All India Radio have a balance of live and recorded programmes. Identified events such as Republic Day, Independence Day, Sports commentaries, Budget Session of the Parliament etc. are broadcast live. All news bulletins are also live. Music programmes, talks, features, plays etc. are recorded.