GOVERNMENT OF INDIA INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1915 ANSWERED ON:23.07.2014 POSTS VACANT IN AIR AND DD Shetti Shri Raju alias Devappa Anna

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

- (a) whether most of the posts of senior programme officers of All India Radio and Doordarshan are not filled through regular promotions and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the number of posts from JTS cadre and above in IB(P)S filled through such promotions and the reasons for not giving regular promotions in each level in the programme cadre;
- (c) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to fill the above posts on regular basis; and
- (d) the administrative/programming difficulties being faced on account of this?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE AND MINISTER OF STATE FOR THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) & (b): There are vacancies in various grades of Indian Broadcasting (Programme) Service {IB(P)S}. The regular promotions against the vacancies could not be made due to non-convening of Departmental Promotion Committee (DPC) meetings by the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) during 1997-2002 and from 2013 onwards and also due to litigations. Prasar Bharati has given the following details of posts filled in different grades of IB(P)S on promotion on ad-hoc basis and regular basis:

Grades of IB(P)S Posts filled on regular basis by promotion
Senior Administrative Grade 8
Junior Administrative Grade 3
including Non- functional
Selection Grade
Senior Time Scale 31
Junior Time Scale -

Prasar Bharati has informed that they have approved ad hoc promotions in the Senior Time Scale and Junior Time Scale at the level of Prasar Bharati Board also.

- (c): The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting is in dialogue with UPSC for convening DPCs for regular promotions.
- (d): Administrative/Programming difficulties are reviewed and addressed from time to time.