

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

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OPERATIONALISATION OF RADIO STATIONS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has fixed any timeframe for operationalising of various ready-for-broadcast radio stations in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, station and State-wise including Banda, UP;
- (c) the time by which the broadcast is likely to be started from such stations and the reasons for delay, if any, Station-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

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) Prasar Bharati has informed that presently, 6 new All India Radio (AIR) Stations are technically ready. State-wise detail is given below:

S.No.	Name of station	State
1.	Longtherai	Tripura
2.	Bageshwar	Uttarakhand
3.	Dehradun	Uttarakhand
4.	Gairsen	Uttarakhand
5.	New Tehri	Uttarakhand
6.	Banda	Uttar Pradesh

(c) & (d) Prasar Bharati has informed that AIR has not fixed any timeframe for commissioning of these technically ready radio stations. Prasar Bharati has already taken initiatives for exploring the possibilities for commissioning of these stations by transferring staff from other stations or deploying retired staff of AIR/Doordarshan on contractual basis.