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Title: Need to launch an F.M. Radio Station at Trichur, Kerala.

SHRI LONAPPAN NAMBADAN (MUKUNDAPURAM): Sir, Trichur, is the cultural capital of Kerala. The Trichur Akashvani, has a rich past, and has been broadcasting many programmes of public interest and awareness; and has carved a niche in the minds of listeners in Kerala.

Without much financial burden, using the infrastructure available there, we can start an FM unit.

It is indeed a matter of much regret, that the Government has given broadcasting rights to many a private FM radio stations, neglecting the potential of Trichur radio station.

Sir, the people of Trichur have much resentment due to the negligence, especially since for the last many years we have been submitting may a memorandum to get an FM radio station at Trichur. The Government has continued to neglect our memorandum.

Therefore, I request, that the Government should immediately intervene and facilitate steps so that FM station can function at Trichur.

MR. SPEAKER: FM stations are for light songs. Are not they? Therefore, you want light songs. Now Shri Hansraj Ahir to speak.

श्री राम कृपाल यादव : हमने भी नोटिस दिया है।

अध्यक्ष महोदय : आपने साढ़े नौ बजे के पहले नोटिस नहीं दिया।

श्री हंसराज गं. अहीर (चन्द्रपुर): मैं अति महत्वपूर्ण विषय पर बोलने जा रहा हूँ। देश में भारी मात्रा में पेट्रोल आयात किया जाता है। ...(ल्यवधान)

MR. SPEAKER: He has given notice on an important issue. He is a very serious and very rule abiding Member. वे चेयर की बात सुनते हैं, आपकी तरह नहीं हैं।

* Translation of the speech originally delivered in Malayalam.