

21. Parwanoo
22. Srinagar
23. Kalamboli
24. Pune
25. Nagpur
26. Bhilai
27. Indore
28. Ahmedabad
29. Jaipur
30. Kota
31. Baroda
32. Madras
33. Cochin
34. Coimbatore
35. Trichy
36. Secunderabad
37. Vijayavada
38. Vizag
39. Bangalore

Consignment Agency

1. Lucknow
2. Agra
3. Ludhiana
4. Mandigobindgarh
5. Jabalpur
6. Bharatpur
7. Belgaum
8. Goa

Extension Counters

1. Varanasi
2. Bhopal

[English]

Low Power Transmitters in Gujarat5093. SHRI CHANDUBHAI
DESHMUKH:SHRI BALVANT MAN-
VAR:

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

(a) whether the State Government of Gujarat has recommended to the Central Government for the installation of 51 Low Power Transmitters (LPTs) in various parts of the State;

(b) if so, the progress made on the installation of these LPTs in various parts of the State of Gujarat;

(c) the time by which the work would be completed;

(d) whether Government have also sanctioned a High Power Transmitter of 10 KW for Bhuj; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken to complete the installation of High Power Transmitter at Bhuj speedily?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) It is the endeavour of the Government to expand Doordarshan network in the State, as expeditiously as possible, but this can be undertaken only in a phased manner depending upon the availability of funds for the purpose.

(d) Yes, Sir. Establishment of a high power (10 KW) TV transmitter with a 300 M high RCC tower is under implementation at Bhuj, as a spill-over scheme of the Seventh Plan.

(e) The work for construction of the building and tower for this project was awarded to M/s. Engineering Projects (India) Ltd. (EPI), a Public Sector Undertaking, in March, 1989 after conducting detailed soil tests through a specialised Agency. The work was, however, suspended by the contractor in November, 1989