

Villages Electrified in Maharashtra

[English]

5213 SHRI VILASRAO NAGATHHAD GUNDEWAR Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state

(a) the number of villages electrified in Maharashtra during the last two years, district-wise

(b) the number of villages yet to be electrified, and

(c) the number of villages proposed to be electrified during 1992-93 district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALPNATHRAO) (a) to (c) The Maharashtra State Electricity Board has declared that, as per 1981 census the entire State has reached cent per cent village electrification by the end of March, 1989. The total number of electrified villages in Maharashtra comes to 39,106.

Akashvani Kendra at Aligarh

5214 SHRIMATI SHEELA GAUTAM DR LAL BAHADUR RAWAL

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state

(a) whether it has been decided to set up an AIR station at Aligarh in Uttar Pradesh,

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS) (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. There is a proposal at present to set up a Relay Centre at Aligarh. It is scheduled to be technically ready by March, 1994.

(c) Does not arise

National Network Programme

5215 SHRI SOBHANADREESWARA RAO V. Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state

(a) whether the National Network programme is telecast from all the Doordarshan Kendras in the country uniformly,

(b) if so, the details of Doordarshan Kendras from where Hindi News are not telecast on this Network, and

(c) if so, the reasons, therefor?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS) (a) to (c) No Sir. Doordarshan Kendra, Madras does not telecast the national news bulletin in Hindi at 8.40 P.M. This exception was made at the request of the Government of Tamil Nadu.

[Translation]

Units of ITDC Not to be Privatised

5216 SHRI MUMTAZ ANSARI Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state

(a) the details of Units of the India Tourism Development Corporation which are not to be privatised as per the Government's decision, and

(b) the reasons therefor and the income expected to be earned by the Government each year from these units?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) (a) and (b) Government have formulated a scheme whereby small groups of ITDC hotels would be formed for the