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#### T.V. Relay Centres in Gujarat

## 85. SHRI MOHANBHAI PATEL: SHRI AMARSINGH RATHAWA:

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

- (a) the number of T.V. Stations and T.V. relay centres functioning in Gujarat State:
- (b) the percentage of population and area covered by T.V. in Gujarat at present;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to instal more T.V. relay centres in Gujarat during the year 1985-86, if so, the sites selected; and
  - (d) whether Government will consider to give preference to the backward and hilly areas of the State which have not been covered so far ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL): (a) TV transmitters are at present functioning at nine places in the state of Gujarat.

- (b) TV service is at present available to about 69% population of the State spread over 56% of its area.
- (c) A low power TV transmitter under implementation at Bhuj as a part of VI Plan schemes is expected to be commissioned by the middle of 1986.
  - (d) Yes, Sir.

### Construction of TV Studio at Bhubaneswar

86. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATN-SHRI T. BALA GOUD: SHRI MURLIDHAR MANE:

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

COMPANY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE (a) whether Government have a proposal for the construction of a full-fledged Television Studio at Bhubaneswar;

- end (c) estimated cost of the project?
- (d) steps taken to implement the above proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL):
(a) Yes, Sir.

- (b) A site at Mouza-Nayapalli has been selected for the purpose.
- (c) and (d) The cost of the project including construction of staff quarters is estimated at about Rs. 14.00 crores. Action has been initiated to obtain the formal approval of the Government for the project and the estimates.

#### Installation of Television Transmitters

87. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK:
SHRI UTTAMRAO PATIL:

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

- (a) whether Government have sanctioned installation of more television transmitters to cover the entire country under crash programme;
- (b) if so, in what year 100 per cent population of the country will be covered by T.V. coverage;
- (c) the number of transmitters sanctioned to different States and Union Territories under the above programme;

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- (d) the number of Low Power Transmitters sanctioned for Orissa under that programme; and
- (e) the names of the places in Orissa where such facilities are to be made available?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V.N. GADGIL): (a) to (e) The setting up of additional TV transmitters in a phased manner is envisaged during VII Plan period; to increase TV coverage from the level of 70% to 80% of the population in the country. This includes setting up a high power TV transmitter at Bhavanipatna and eight low power TV transmitters, one each at Baripada, Sundergarh, Baleshwar, Keon-Jhargarh, Bolangir, Phulbani, Jeypore and Chatrapur in Orissa. The target of 100% coverage has to be achieved in the course subsequent Plan periods. A clear picture regarding the transmitters to be set up in the different States and Union Territories will be available after some tim e

Interim Relief to the Working Journalists and Non-Journalists

88. SHRI CHITTA MAHATA: SHRI V. TULSI RAM:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have decided to give interim relief to the working journalists and non-journalists;
  - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
  - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI T. ANJ-1AH): (a) to (c) The question of grant of Interim rates of wages to Working Journalists and Non-journalists has been referred to the Wage Boards for consideration as per the provisions of the Working Journalists and Other Newspaper employees (Conditions of Service) and Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1955. On receipt of their recommendations the Government will take further action if necessary.

# Horticulture in Seventh Plan

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89. SHRI MANVENDRA SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state: