

**News Bulletins Broadcast in Tribal Languages**

16020. SHRI PIUS TIRKEY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether any news bulletin is broadcast in any tribal language from any station of A.I.R. ;

(b) if so, in which languages;

(c) if not, the reasons thereof;

(d) whether there is any proposal of broadcasting news bulletins in major tribal language from Ranchi, Sambalpur, Bhopal, Cuttack, Siliguri and Gauhati;

(e) if not, why; and

(f) if so, by what time?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. News Bulletins in 36 Tribal languages/dialects are broadcast from 8 stations of AIR. Details are given in Annexure.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) to (f). No, Sir. Short News bulletins in tribal dialects do not seem to satisfy the informational needs of the tribal people who have necessarily to listen to news bulletins in other major languages.

**Statement**

*Statement showing the names of the Stations which broadcast news bulletins in Tribal languages/dialects.*

Sl. No.	Name of the Station	Tribal languages/dialects
1	Agartala . . . . .	Tripuri
2	Aizwal . . . . .	Mizo
3	Calcutta . . . . .	Santhali
4	Dibrugarh . . . . .	Tangsa/Nocte/Arunachal/Assamese/Idu/Adi/Nishi/Apatani/Wanchu.
5	Gauhati . . . . .	Dimasa/Karbi
6	Imphal . . . . .	Kabui/Thadou/Mao/Tangkhu.
7	Kohima . . . . .	Nagamese/Sangtam/Yimchunger/Konyak/Phom/Chang/Kabui Zeliang/Ao/Sema/Lotha/Rengma/Chakhsang/Angami/Kuki
8	Shillong . . . . .	Mizo/Garo/Khasi/Jaintia.

**Journalists participating in Programmes of Delhi Akashvani and Doordarshan**

10021. SHRI DILIP CHAKRAVARTY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of journalists who took part in various programmes of Delhi Akashvani and Doordarshan

from January 1978 to March 1979 and organisations/newspapers they belonged to;

(b) what are the fees paid to each participant in Akashvani and Doordarshan Programmes during the above period;

(c) whether Akashvani and Doordarshan pick up journalists on the basis of their political affiliation; and

(d) whether journalists working in Delhi newspapers are given preference to those working for outside newspapers?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) and (b). A statement is placed on the Table of the House. [Placed in Library. See No. LT4444/79].

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

#### Import of Aluminium

10022. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are likely to import double the quantity of aluminium during the current year as compared to preceding year;

(b) if so, the quantity of aluminium imported last year and the quantity to be imported during this year; and

(c) the reasons for increase in import and its value?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI KARIA MUNDA):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During 1978-79, 33,000 tonnes of aluminium were imported and a quantity of 75,000 tonnes is proposed to be imported during the current year.

(c) The demand for aluminium during the current year is estimated at 325,000 tonnes as against an estimated indigenous production of 250,000 tonnes. In view of this rise in demand and the fact that the smelters in the country are producing only about 70 per cent of their capacity owing to inadequate supply of power, it has become necessary to import aluminium to a larger extent. The value of imports will depend on the international market price for the metal. It is roughly estimated to be in the region of Rs. 90 crores.

#### कुकिंग गैस का आयात

10023. श्री सुबराज : क्या पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या देश में कुकिंग गैस की कमी को पूरा करने के लिए इसका आयात करने का प्रस्ताव है ;

(ख) क्या देश में सब जिलों के मुख्यालयों में एक निश्चित अवधि में गैस की सप्लाई की जाएगी; और

(ग) यदि उपयुक्त भाग (क) और (ख) का उत्तर सकारात्मक है तो गैस की समस्या के कब तक हल होने की सम्भावना है और यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

पेट्रोलियम, रसायन और उर्वरक मंत्री (श्री हेमवती नन्दन बहुगुणा) : (क) जी, हाँ ।

(ख) निम्नलिखित विचारधाराओं के आधार पर अतिरिक्त उत्पाद उपलब्ध होने पर नए नगरों में एल० पी० जी० के विपणन का प्रचलन चरणबद्ध तरीके से निश्चित किया जाएगा :—

- (1) प्रत्याशित उपभोक्ताओं की संख्या,
- (2) सप्लाई के स्रोतों से बाजार की दूरी;
- (3) परिवहन पद्धति की उपलब्धता;
- (4) कार्य संचालन की व्यवहार्यता; तथा
- (5) वितरण उपकरणों का अधिकतम उपयोग ।