

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10.	Kerala	10	3	20	3	3	12	1	9	1	9
11.	Madhya Pradesh	55	5	35	5	5	9	9	9	9	9
12.	Maharashtra	55	10	80	11	10	6	9	12	9	12
13.	North-East	35	5	40	4	1	1	4	4	2	4
14.	Orissa	40	5	35	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
15.	Punjab	10	3	10	3	3	5	2	4	2	4
16.	Rajasthan	60	6	30	5	5	12	5	10	5	10
17.	Tamil Nadu	14	7	10	4	2	5	2	4	2	4
18.	Uttar Pradesh	75	10	93	12	14	19	12	16	12	16
19.	West Bengal	60	10	50	5	3	4	2	4	2	4
	Total	600	100	600	100	80	150	80	150	80	150

\* BO : Branch Post Offices.

\*\* SO : Sub Post Offices

### Repetition of Serials

1960. SHRI PINAKI MISRA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether TV-serials like Mahabharata and Krishna are being telecast/retelecast over and over again, some times breaking the serial mid way and re-starting it again;

(b) if so, the details thereof, and

(c) the details of the other serials being replayed and telecast again?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c). No, Sir. The serial 'Mahabharat' was earlier telecast on DD-1 and is now being repeated on DD-2 after a gap of three years. The serial 'Srikrishna', before it completed its telecast on DD-2, was shifted to DD-1 and is/was re-relecast with additional footage to enable more viewers in the country to see it. Similarly, the serials 'Bible Ki Kahaniyan' and 'Sabka Malik Ek Hai' were also re-telecast with additional footage.

[Translation]

### Setting up of AIR Station Mandia, Madhya Pradesh

1961. SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULESTE : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the number of AIR stations in Madhya Pradesh, location-wise;

(b) the number of stations commissioning till date, location-wise; and

(c) the time by which the remaining stations are likely to be commissioned?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM) : (a) to (c). At present, 19 radio stations located at Ambikapur, Bhopal, Chhatarpur, Gwalior, Indore, Jabalpur, Jagdalpur, Raipur, Rewa, Khandwa, Betul, Bilaspur, Shivpuri, Chhmdwara, Raigarh, Shahdol, Balaghat, Guna and Sagar are functioning in the State of Madhya Pradesh. No other station is technically ready for commissioning.

### Telephone Connections Provided in Bihar

1962. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN PAPPU YADAV : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the telephone connections provided in Bihar during the year 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1995-96 till date, district-wise;

(b) the number of persons in the waiting list till October, 1996, district-wise;

(c) the time by which these are likely to be cleared, district wise;

(d) whether any special scheme has been formulated for the expansion and development of the telephone services and telephone exchanges;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) the funds allocated therefor during the year 1996-97, district-wise;

(g) whether Government have received any complaints regarding the irregularities in issuing the telephone connections; and

(h) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI BENI PRASAD VARMA) : (a) and (b) The details are given in Statement.