

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3809
ANSWERED ON:21.08.2003
OPENING OF RNI OFFICES
AMBATI BRAHMANAIAH

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

- (a) the number of newspapers which have active registration with the Registrar of Newspapers all over the country as on date;
- (b) the State-wise break-up of such registered newspapers which are being published;
- (c) whether there is a proposal to open various offices of the Registrar of Newspaper of India in different States; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, location-wise ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

(a) A total number of 51,960 newspapers/periodicals were registered with the Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) as on 31st December 2001.

(b) State-wise break-up of registered newspapers/periodicals as on 31st December 2001 is given in the Annexure.

(c) & (d) : There is no proposal to open various offices of the Registrar of Newspapers for India.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3809 FOR REP 21.08.2003.

STATE-WISE BREAK UP OF TOTAL REGISTERED NEWSPAPERS/PERIODICALS AS ON 31ST DECEMBER 2001.

S.NO. STATE/UNION TERRITORY NUMBER OF NEWSPAPERS

1.	ANDAMAN & NICOBAR	52
2.	ANDHRA PRADESH	2398
3.	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	11
4.	ASSAM	430
5.	BIHAR	1513
6.	CHANDIGARH	376
7.	CHHATTISGARH	345
8.	DADRA & NAGAR HAVELI	1
9.	DAMAN & DIU	2
10.	DELHI	6926
11.	GOA	91
12.	GUJARAT	2257
13.	HARYANA	1036
14.	HIMACHAL PRADESH	187
15.	JAMMU & KASHMIR	402

16.	JHARKHAND	190
17.	KARNATAKA	2556
18.	KERALA	1854
19.	LAKSHADWEEP	5
20.	MADHYA PRADESH	3555
21.	MAHARASHTRA	6018
22.	MANIPUR	144
23.	MEGHALAYA	75
24.	MIZORAM	132
25.	NAGALAND	15
26.	ORISSA	929
27.	PONDICHERRY	69
28.	PUNJAB	1204
29.	RAJASTHAN	3310
30.	SIKKIM	30
31.	TAMIL NADU	2838
32.	TRIPURA	106
33.	UTTARANCHAL	768
34.	UTTAR PRADESH	8397
35.	WEST BENGAL	3738

TOTAL 51,960