

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

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CHILD ARTISTS IN DD/AIR
RAM SHAKAL

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

- (a) the method of recruiting child artists in the Doordarshan and AIR; and
- (b) the number of child artists recruited in Doordarshan and AIR in the year 2002-2003?

Answer

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

(a) and (b) : Doordarshan and AIR do not recruit child artists. However, they book child artists on contract basis as and when required, depending on the programme requirement of the Kendra/Stations.