

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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AIR SERVICE IN TRAINS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

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- (a) whether the Prasar Bharati's proposal to introduce Live Radio Service on board the trains of Indian Railways via World Space Satellite have been worked out;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the time by which it is likely to be implemented ?

Answer

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

- (a) & (b): Prasar Bharati has informed that a proposal to introduce live Radio Service onboard the trains of Indian Railways had been worked out and a joint experiment has already been conducted to test the quality of reception. The Railways have indicated their desire to broadcast initially instrumental music only.
- (c): The process of consultation has not yet concluded.