

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether the programmes of Pakistani Television are viewed more clearly in border districts of Rajasthan like Jaisalmer, Barmer, Jodhpur, Sri Ganganagar and Bikaner;
- (b) whether the Government has any proposal to combat those programmes of Pakistani Channels; and
- (c) if so, the corrective measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING AND CULTURE (SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY)

(a) to (c) : Prasar Bharati has informed that the quality of Pakistan TV signals varies from poor to good in parts of Jaisalmer, Barmer, Jodhpur, Sri Ganganagar and Bikaner districts of Rajasthan.

For enhancement of quality of signals of Doordarshan programmes in terrestrial mode, 15 Doordarshan transmitters (HPTs-4), (LPTs-11) are presently functioning in the above mentioned districts. Prasar Bharati has informed that the quality of signal in the coverage zone of the transmitters is quite satisfactory. They have also informed that the terrestrial coverage in border areas of Rajasthan is being expanded further.

Prasar Bharati have informed that multi Channel coverage (33 TV channels and 12 Radio Channels) with excellent signal quality has been provided in the border areas of Rajasthan, along with other parts of the country, through KU band (free to air DTH service), to combat the programmes of Pak TV channels.