

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2005
ANSWERED ON:09.03.2006
AIR STATION AT MACHERELA IN ANDHRA PRADESH .
Reddy Shri Mekapati Rajamohan

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

- (a) whether all the formalities regarding opening of an AIR station at Macherela in Andhra Pradesh have since been completed; and
- (b) if so, the time by which the station is likely to be opened?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. DASMUNSI)

(a) and (b) : A 3 kW A.I.R. F.M. transmitter with studio facilities is ready for commissioning at Macherela (A. P.). However, due to non-sanction of the required staff for Operation and Maintenance purposes, the same is yet to be commissioned. Efforts are being made to get the approval of competent authority for sanctioning of required Operation & Maintenance staff.