

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

STARRED QUESTION NO:116
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2006
IMPROVEMENT IN COVERAGE OF AIR AND DOORDARSHAN
Khan Shri Mohammad Tahir

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

- (a) whether the Government has assessed the amount spent against the funds earmarked during the Tenth Plan to improve the coverage of AIR and Doordarshan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any special package has been provided or likely to be provided to the States for the expansion of FM coverage; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

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

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.116 REGARDING IMPROVEMENT IN COVERAGE OF AIR AND DOORDARSHAN TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2006.

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. Rs. 411.00 Crores was approved for the expansion of AIR services during 10th Five Year Plan and the expenditure incurred up to June, 2006 is Rs.59.26 Crores. The details are given in Annexure-I. Doordarshan's 10th Five Year Plan for expansion & improvement was approved at an outlay of Rs. 2563 Crores (Capital) and expenditure incurred up to June, 2006 under capital is Rs.908.88 Crores. Details are given in Annexure-II.

(c) & (d) : A special package has been provided only for Jammu & Kashmir and the North-Eastern States (including A&N Islands). The details are given in Annexure- III and Annexure- IV respectively.

Annexure-I

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.116 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2006

Details of the amount spent against the earmarked during the 10th Plan:

(i) Continuing schemes of the 10th Plan:

(Rs. In crores)

Type of transmitter	Allocation under 10th Plan	Amount spent up to 03, 2006	SBG(2006-07) up to 31 June, 2006	Amount expenditure up to 31 June, 2006
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MW	32.00	21.02	1.27	0.06
FM	17.00	8.08	1.56	0.03

(ii) New schemes of the 10th Plan:

(Rs. In crores)

Type of transmitter	Allocation under 10th Plan	Amount spent up to 03, 2006	SBG(2006-07) up to 31 June, 2006	Amount expenditure up to 31 June, 2006
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MW	16.00	1.89	0.34	0.02
FM	46.00	27.46	23.00	0.70

Annexure – II

Expenditure under Capital during 10th Plan

Year Expenditure
(Rs. Crores)

908-07	369.43
908-07	218.46
908-07	117.08
908-07	167.79
2006-07 (till June, 06)	36.12
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Annexure-III

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS Â© & (d) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.116 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.07.2006

J&K Special Plan

S.No. Place Projects

1. Kathua 10 kW FM Transmitter (Replacement of 6 kW FM Transmitter)
2. Srinagar 300 kW MW Transmitter (Replacement of 200 kW MW Transmitter)
3. Naushera 20 kW MW Transmitter (Relay)
4. Rajouri 10 kW FM Transmitter (Relay)
5. Kupwara 20 kW MW Transmitter (Relay)
6. Khalsi 1 kW MW Transmitter (relay)
7. Tiesuru 1 kW MW Transmitter (relay)
8. Nyomarap 1 kW MW Transmitter (relay)
9. Diskit 1 kW MW Transmitter (relay)
10. Padum 1 kW MW Transmitter (relay)
11. Drass 1 kW MW Transmitter (relay)
12. Kargil 200 kW MW transmitter

Out of which there are two schemes for FM stations under above Plan:

1. Upgradation of Kathua from 6 kW to 10 kW
2. New 10 kW FM Station at Rajouri

Annexure-IV

1. North East Special Plan(Phase-I)

(i) 10 kW FM Tr. at Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh)

(ii) 10 kW FM Tr. at Kohima (Nagaland)

(iii) 10 kW FM Tr. at Port Blair (A&N Islands)

2. North East Special Plan(Phase-II)

(i) 10 kW FM Tr, playback studio, staff quarters at Gangtok – (additional channel)

(ii) 5 kW FM Tr., playback studio, at Silchar - (additional channel)

(iii) The following 1 kW FM Trs., voice over recording/dubbing, field production facilities, staff quarters at 19 places :

Arunachal Pradesh

1. Daporijo

2. Anini
3. Bomdila
4. Changlang
5. Khonsa

Assam

6. Karimganj
7. Luming
8. Goalpara

Manipur

9. Ukhrul
10. Tamenglong

Meghalaya

11. Dawki

Mizoram

12. Tuipang
13. Chemphai
14. Kolasib

Nagaland

15. Wokha
16. Zunheboto
17. Phek

Tripura

18. Udaipur

19. Nutan Bazar

(iv) 100 W FM Transmitter at different locations in NE region (100 places) to cover uncovered area.