

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3596
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AUDIO VISUAL UNIT
Singh Shri Sugrib

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to be set up an Audio Visual Unit under the Ministry; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) With a view to authentically articulate the official position of the Government on various issues, for use by the media in general and electronic media in particular, a permanent Audio Visual Unit is proposed to be set up by the Press Information Bureau (PIB) by way of acquisition of equipments and deployment of appropriate manpower. Meanwhile, an interim Audio Visual Unit has started functioning in the Press Information Bureau (PIB) w.e.f. 12th September, 2006 by hiring equipment and manpower through Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Limited

(BECIL), a Government of India Enterprise.