

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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AIR AND DD RELAY CENTRES IN UTTARANCHAL
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Akashvani and Doordarshan relay centres sanctioned by the Prasar Bharati for the hilly States of the country especially in Kumaon division of Uttaranchal during the last three years;
- (b) the number out of these which have been set up and the reasons for non-commissioning of the remaining centres; and
- (c) the time by which these sanctioned centres are proposed to be set up by the Government?

Answer

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

(a) 42 DD projects and 6 AIR projects have been sanctioned in Uttaranchal during the last three years. Of these only 2 AIR projects are located in Kumaon region of Uttaranchal.

(b) & (c) 34 DD projects have been commissioned and the remaining 8 are in different stages of implementation and are expected to be commissioned during the next two years. Insofar as AIR is concerned, site for the stations is yet to be allotted by the State Govt. It will take about two years to install the station after the site is handed over by the State Govt.