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Title: Regarding problems being faced by the inhabitants along N.H.No 4 in Hubli-Dharwad city in Karnataka due to erection of fence by Prashar Bharati.

SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI (DHARWAD): Hon. Deputy Speaker, Sir, Hubli-Dharwad is the second largest city in Karnataka after Bengaluru. The distance between two cities, though there is a single Corporation, is around 22 kilometres. In recent days, on the Hubli-Dharwad road, many new layouts have come out, and habitations are fast increasing. Almost it is developed and closed. Now, people in many such new layout localities have to cover circuitous way to come on the main road due to the boundary wall constructed by the Prasar Bharati Relay Centre with a large fence, and because of this, connectivity to the opposite road is totally blocked. Now, people are demanding to provide a connecting road as it was earlier before the construction of the boundary wall. No obstruction or disturbance will arise to the property of the Prasar Bharati or to the Relay Centre. In spite of repeated requests, they are not allowing for the throughway.

Therefore, I would urge upon the hon. Minister for Information and Broadcasting to direct All India Radio authorities to honour the popular demand of people, which is the genuine need of the hour.