

<i>District</i>	<i>Estimated percentage Population covered</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>
Kurnool	29
Mehboobnagar	56
Rangareddi	99
Hyderabad	99
Medak	99
Nizamabad	61
Adilabad	28
Karimnagar	38
Warangal	45
Khammam	57
Nalgonda	99

Extension to Mahabharat

7597. DR. VENKATESH KABDE: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any request from the producer of Mahabharat for its extension;

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The pro-

ducer of the serial 'Mahabharat' made a request to the Government for extending the serial by two to three episodes to provide for a proper finale to the serial. After having found the proposal fully justified, the Government has agreed to extend the serial by two episodes.

[*Translation*]

Central Sales Tax Pending Realisation in Delhi

7598. SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: