(c) There is no such proposal under consideration.

TV Relay Station in Ganjam, Orissa

296. SHRI A.N.SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of INFORMATION & BROADCAST-ING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS be pleased to state the number of television relay stations telecasting Telugu programme located in Ganiam district of Orissa and the area being covered by each station?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): Three Low Power (100 W) TV transmitters are at present functioning in Ganiam district of Orissa. None of these transmitters relay Telugu programmes. These transmitters relay programmes fed from Doordarshan Kendra, Delhi, via INSAT in their respective coverage areas indicated below:-

Transmitter	Area covered (Sq. Kms.)
1.LPT, Bhanjanagar	2000
2.LPT, Berhampur	1700
3.LPT, Parlakhemun	di 700

Weak signals from the high power TV transmitter at Visakhapatnam, which relays Telugu programmes produced at Doordarshan Kendra, Hyderabad, are however. received in some parts of Orissa.

Development of Tourist Places in Marathwada Region of Maharashtra

297. SHRI ASHOK ANANDRAO DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of COM-

MERCE AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

Written Answers

- (a) whether there is any proposal to develop more tourist spots in Marathwada region of Maharashtra; and
- (b) if so, the details of pending proposals with the centre in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU): (a) and (b). There are no proposals pending with the Central Department of Tourism for development of more tourist spots in Marathwada region of Maharashtra.

[Translation]

Transmission Range of T.V. Programme in Madhya Pradesh

298. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND **BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY** AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether T.V. programmes are not being received even in nearby areas due to Ultra High Frequency T.V. Towers in Mandsour, Neemuch and Raigarh area of Madhya Pradesh:
- (b) whether a converter is to be installed for coverage in Black and White T.V; and
- (c) the steps Government propose to take for installation of high power transmitters in these places?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Low Power TV transmitter at Mandsaur, Neemuch and Raigarh operating in UHF provide service within their normal range of about 15 kms, subject to terrain conditions, Coverage of the above men-