

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
RAJYA SABHA
QUESTION NO 07.03.2011
ANSWERED ON
WAGES OF PRASAR BHARATI EMPLOYEES .

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Dr. K.P. Ramalingam

Will the Minister of COALINFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :-

(a) whether it is fact that the Prasar Bharati's current wage bill for 38,000 employees is approximately `1,600 crores and the corporation earns `1,000 crores and gets another `1,500 crores from Government as annual grant of which `1,000 crores goes towards salaries;

(b) if so, the details thereof and whether it is also a fact that another 3,000 posts are to be filled up by the Prasar Bharati as they are deemed critical and the additional salary bill would go up by another `200 crores; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by Government to fully undertake the wages of Prasar Bharati employees?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (Dr. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) As against the Direct Budgetary support of `1412.35 Crores from Government under Revenue-Non-Plan, Prasar Bharati has incurred an amount of `1133.37 Crores up to December 2010 towards Salary and Salary related Establishment expenses. As regards filling up of posts, only the critical posts are cleared by Group of Ministers (GOM). If the posts are filled up, it may result in further increase of salary related expenses by Prasar Bharati.

(c) A revised funding pattern is being worked out