

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING**

**RAJYA SABHA  
STARRED QUESTION NO.\*93  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.11.2016**

**AUCTIONING OF FM RADIO CHANNELS IN ODISHA**

**\*93. SHRI ANUBHAV MOHANTY**

Will the Minister of **INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there was a proposal to auction FM Radio Channels in 264 cities in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the list of the cities where such auctions were undertaken;
- (c) the number of such cities in Odisha;
- (d) what was the revenue collection expected and what was the actual total revenue collected from these auctions:

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING [SHRI VENKAIAH NAIDU]**

(a) to (d) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF RAJYA SABHA  
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FM Phase-III Policy on Expansion of FM Radio broadcasting service through private sector (Phase-III) notified on 25.07.2011 extends FM Radio services to 227 new cities. This is in addition to the 67 cities where complete auction could not be done in Phase-II. Thus a total of 839 new FM Radio channels in 294 cities are proposed for auction in Phase-III. The FM Radio channels under Phase-III are to be auctioned in batches.

The First batch of auction under Phase-III for 135 channels in 69 cities out of 294 as above was conducted from 27 July - 9 September, 2015. A list of these 69 cities is attached as **Annexure-I**. Two cities of Odisha namely Bhubaneshwar and Rourkela are included in this list and the FM channels for these cities have been successfully auctioned.

The reserve price of the first batch of 135 channels from 69 cities was ₹ 550.18 crore. Government has collected revenue of ₹ 1103.51 crore from winners of 96 channels in 55 cities out of above as a result of this auction.

The auction for Second batch of Phase-III in 92 cities (**Annexure-II**) with a total reserve price of ₹ 915.91 crore began on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2016 and is currently in progress. No city in Odisha has been taken up for auction in the second batch. 5 more cities in Odisha, i.e., Brahmapur (Berhampur), Baleshwar, Baripada, Puri, Sambalpur are slated for auction in next batch likely to be taken up soon.

**ANNEXURE-I**

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**FM Phase-III for 135 channels in 69 cities****Existing Phase-II Cities (69 nos.)**

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>No. of Channels for Auction</b>
	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>
	<b>Category "A+"</b>		
1	<b>Chennai</b>	Tamil Nadu	<b>1</b>
2	<b>Delhi</b>	Delhi	<b>1</b>
3	<b>Mumbai</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
			<b>4</b>
	<b>Category "A"</b>		
4	<b>Ahmedabad</b>	Gujarat	<b>1</b>
5	<b>Bangalore</b>	Karnataka	<b>1</b>
6	<b>Hyderabad</b>	Telangana	<b>4</b>
7	<b>Jaipur</b>	Rajasthan	<b>1</b>
8	<b>Kanpur</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>3</b>
9	<b>Lucknow</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>3</b>
10	<b>Nagpur</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
11	<b>Pune</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
12	<b>Surat</b>	Gujarat	<b>2</b>
			<b>19</b>
	<b>Category "B"</b>		
13	<b>Amritsar</b>	Punjab	<b>1</b>
14	<b>Agra</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>2</b>
15	<b>Allahabad</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>2</b>

16	<b>Asansol</b>	West Bengal	<b>2</b>
17	<b>Cochin</b>	Kerala	<b>1</b>
18	<b>Jamshedpur</b>	Jharkhand	<b>1</b>
19	<b>Madurai</b>	Tamil Nadu	<b>1</b>
20	<b>Patna</b>	Bihar	<b>3</b>
21	<b>Rajkot</b>	Gujarat	<b>1</b>
22	<b>Varanasi</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>1</b>
23	<b>Vijayawada</b>	Andhra Pradesh	<b>2</b>
			<b>17</b>
	<b>Category "C"</b>		
24	<b>Ahmednagar</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
25	<b>Ajmer</b>	Rajasthan	<b>2</b>
26	<b>Akola</b>	Maharashtra	<b>3</b>
27	<b>Aligarh</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>3</b>
28	<b>Aurangabad</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
29	<b>Bareilly</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>2</b>
30	<b>Bhubaneswar</b>	Orissa	<b>1</b>
31	<b>Bikaner</b>	Rajasthan	<b>3</b>
32	<b>Bilaspur</b>	Chhatisgarh	<b>3</b>
33	<b>Chandigarh</b>	Chandigarh/UT	<b>2</b>
34	<b>Dhule</b>	Maharashtra	<b>3</b>
35	<b>Gorakhpur</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>3</b>
36	<b>Gulbarga</b>	Karnataka	<b>3</b>
37	<b>Guwahati</b>	Assam	<b>1</b>
38	<b>Jalgaon</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
39	<b>Jammu</b>	J&K	<b>3</b>
40	<b>Jhansi</b>	Uttar Pradesh	<b>3</b>
41	<b>Jodhpur</b>	Rajasthan	<b>1</b>
42	<b>Kolhapur</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
43	<b>Kota</b>	Rajasthan	<b>1</b>
44	<b>Kozhikode</b>	Kerala	<b>2</b>
45	<b>Mangalore</b>	Karnataka	<b>1</b>
46	<b>Muzzaffarpur</b>	Bihar	<b>3</b>

47	<b>Mysore</b>	Karnataka	<b>2</b>
48	<b>Nanded</b>	Maharashtra	<b>3</b>
49	<b>Nasik</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
50	<b>Patiala</b>	Punjab	<b>1</b>
51	<b>Pondicherry</b>	Pondicherry	<b>1</b>
52	<b>Rajamundry</b>	Andhra Pradesh	<b>3</b>
53	<b>Rourkela</b>	Orissa	<b>2</b>
54	<b>Sangli</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
55	<b>Sholapur</b>	Maharashtra	<b>2</b>
56	<b>Siliguri</b>	West Bengal	<b>1</b>
57	<b>Srinagar</b>	J&K	<b>3</b>
58	<b>Tiruchy</b>	Tamil Nadu	<b>2</b>
59	<b>Tirunelveli</b>	Tamil Nadu	<b>2</b>
60	<b>Tirupati</b>	Andhra Pradesh	<b>2</b>
61	<b>Tuticorin</b>	Tamil Nadu	<b>2</b>
62	<b>Udaipur</b>	Rajasthan	<b>1</b>
63	<b>Warangal</b>	Telangana	<b>3</b>
			<b>85</b>
	<b>Category "D"</b>		
64	<b>Agartala</b>	Tripura	<b>2</b>
65	<b>Aizwal</b>	Mizoram	<b>2</b>
66	<b>Hissar</b>	Haryana	<b>1</b>
67	<b>Itanagar</b>	Arunchal Pradesh	<b>2</b>
68	<b>Karnal</b>	Haryana	<b>1</b>
69	<b>Shillong</b>	Meghalaya	<b>2</b>
			<b>10</b>
	<b>G. TOTAL</b>		<b>135</b>

## ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (d) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION No. *93 FOR ANSWER ON 24-11-2016				
LIST OF 266 PRIVATE FM RADIO FM CHANNELS PROPOSED FOR E-AUCTION IN THE SECOND BATCH OF FM PHASE - III				
S. No.	Name of the City	State	Region	No of Channels for Auction
<b>Category "A"</b>				
1	Hyderabad	Telangana	S	1
				<b>1</b>
<b>Category "B"</b>				
2	Asansol	West Bengal	E	2
3	Vijayawada	Andhra Pradesh	S	2
				<b>4</b>
<b>Category "C"</b>				
4	Akola	Maharashtra	W	1
5	Alappuzha (Alleppey)	Kerala	S	4
6	Amravati	Maharashtra	W	4
7	Belgaum	Karnataka	S	4
8	Bellary	Karnataka	S	4
9	Bhavnagar	Gujarat	W	4
10	Dehradun	Uttarakhand	N	4
11	Davangere	Karnataka	S	4
12	Dhule	Maharashtra	W	2
13	Erode	Tamil Nadu	S	4
14	Gulbarga	Karnataka	S	3
15	Hubli-Dharwad	Karnataka	S	4
16	Jamnagar	Gujarat	W	4
17	Jhansi	Uttar Pradesh	N	2
18	Kakinada	Andhra Pradesh	S	4
19	Kurnool	Andhra Pradesh	S	4
20	Malegaon	Maharashtra	W	4
21	Mangaluru	Karnataka	S	1
22	Muzaffarpur	Bihar	E	1
23	Muzaffarnagar	Uttar Pradesh	N	4
24	Mysuru	Karnataka	S	2
25	Nanded	Maharashtra	W	2
26	Nellore	Andhra Pradesh	S	4
27	Puducherry	Puducherry(UT)	S	1
28	Rajahmundry	Andhra Pradesh	S	3
29	Saharanpur	Uttar Pradesh	N	4
30	Salem	Tamil Nadu	S	4

31	Sangli	Maharashtra	W	1
32	Shahjahanpur	Uttar Pradesh	N	4
33	Siliguri	West Bengal	E	1
34	Tiruchy	Tamil Nadu	S	2
35	Tirunelveli	Tamil Nadu	S	2
36	Tirupati	Andhra Pradesh	S	2
37	Tuticorin	Tamil Nadu	S	2
38	Ujjain	Madhya Pradesh	W	4
39	Vellore	Tamil nadu	S	4
40	Warangal	Telangana	S	3
				111
Category "D"				
41	Achalpur	Maharashtra	W	3
42	Agartala	Tripura	E	1
43	Aizwal	Mizoram	E	1
44	Barshi	Maharashtra	W	3
45	Bharuch	Gujarat	W	3
46	Botad	Gujarat	W	3
47	Burhanpur	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
48	Chhattarpur	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
49	Chhindwara	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
50	Damoh	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
51	Dahod	Gujarat	W	3
52	Durg-Bhillainagar	Chhatisgarh	W	3
53	Godhra	Gujarat	W	3
54	Gondiya	Maharashtra	W	3
55	Guna	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
56	Itanagar	Arunachal Pradesh	E	1
57	Itarsi	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
58	Jagdapur	Chhatisgarh	W	3
59	Jetpur Navagadh	Gujarat	W	3
60	Junagadh	Gujarat	W	3
61	Khandwa	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
62	Khargone	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
63	Korba	Chhatisgarh	W	3
64	Mehsana	Gujarat	W	3
65	Mandsaur	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
66	Murwara (Katni)	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
67	Neemuch	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
68	Palanpur	Gujarat	W	3
69	Patan	Gujarat	W	3
70	Porbandar	Gujarat	W	3
71	Raigarh	Chhatisgarh	W	3

72	Ratlam	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
73	Rewa	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
74	Satna	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
75	Shivpuri	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
76	Singrauli	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
77	Surendranagar Dudhrej	Gujarat	W	3
78	Veraval	Gujarat	W	3
79	Vidisha	Madhya Pradesh	W	3
80	Wardha	Maharashtra	W	3
81	Yavatmal	Maharashtra	W	3
				<b>117</b>
<b>Cities in Border Areas of J &amp; K and NE states</b>				
82	Kargil	J & K	N	3
83	Leh	J & K	N	3
84	Kathua	J & K	N	3
85	Poonch	J & K	N	3
86	Bhaderwah	J & K	N	3
87	Dubhri	Assam	E	3
88	Haflong	Assam	E	3
89	Jowai	Meghalaya	E	3
90	Lung-lei	Mizoram	E	3
91	Mokukchung	Nagaland	E	3
92	Belonia	Tripura	E	3
				<b>33</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>				<b>266</b>

