

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING**

**RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3439
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2018)**

PUBLICITY OFFICERS FROM DD/AIR

3439. SHRI D. RAJA:

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

(a) whether it is a fact that some officials from Doordarshan and All India Radio are posted as Publicity Officers for various Ministries;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is a fact that the employees of Doordarshan and All India Radio have expressed their concern about the workability of this decision; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING {COL RAJYAVARDHAN RATHORE (Retd.)}

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. Deploying officers either in Prasar Bharati (Doordarshan News and NSD:AIR) or Ministries is not a new function. 27 Indian Information Service officials from Doordarshan and All India Radio have been deployed as publicity officers for various Ministries.

(c): No

(d): Does not arise

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