

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3442
TO BE ANSWERED ON 26.03.2018

WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS FOR PRASAR BHARATI/DOORDARSHAN

3442. **SHRI NEERAJ SHEKHAR:**
SHRI RAVI PRAKASH VERMA

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

- (a) whether Government has withheld the funds of Prasar Bharati and Doordarshan (DD) for denial by Prasar Bharati/Doordarshan to pay fees to a Mumbai based private company for coverage of Goa International Film Festival, 2017 and Prasar Bharati has been compelled to pay salaries to employees from contingency fund;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) if not, the details of fund allocated to Prasar Bharati during 2017-18, head-wise; and
- (d) the details of fund released to Prasar Bharati during 2017-18 till date, head-wise, month-wise and date-wise?

ANSWER

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

- (a): No Sir. The Ministry has released funds amounting to Rs. 2128.58 crore i.e. Rs. 1991.75 crore under Grants-in-Aid-Salaries and Rs. 136.83 crore for Grant-in-Aid-General for Leave Salary & Pension Contribution to Prasar Bharati during the current financial year (2017-18).
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c) & (d): The information is given at Annexure-I and II.

ANNEXURE AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (c) & (d) OF RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3442 FOR ANSWER ON 26.03.2018

The details of funds allocated, released till date to Prasar Bharati during 2017-18 under Other Central Expenditure (Erstwhile Revenue Non-Plan)

(Rs in crore)

Object Head Grants-in-aid-General for Leave Salary and Pension Contribution		Object Head Grants-in-aid -Salaries		Grand Total
Budget Estimates 2017-18	Revised Estimates 2017-18	Budget Estimates 2017-18	Revised Estimates 2017-18	
196.70	185.9660	2800.00	2328.3780	
Amount released	Date of Sanction order	Amount released	Date of Date of Sanction order	
49.175	22.05.2017	892.00	22.05.2017	941.175
		100.00	27.07.20017	100.00
		198.00	23.08.2017	198.00
		198.00	22.09.2017	198.00
		198.00	31.10.2017	198.00
		198.00	01.12.2017	198.00
		205.00	22.12.2017	205.00
87.6550	28.02.2018	2.75	28.02.2018	90.405
136.83		1991.75		2128.58
Swachhta Action Plan (SAP)				
BE	R.E.			
2017-18	2017-18			
-	0.02			
Amount released	Date of Sanction order			
0.02	12.03.2018			