

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3756  
( TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.08.2017 )**

**CHANNELS ON CLASSICAL MUSIC**

**3756. SHRIMATI V. SATHYA BAMA:**

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

- (a) whether the Government proposes to start new channels of radio and television completely devoted to classical music and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) if not, the efforts being made by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) & (b): Prasar Bharati has informed that there is no such proposal to start any new channel completely devoted to classical music in either All India Radio or Doordarshan.

All India Radio has an internet radio channel 'Raagam' devoted to classical music. It was started on 26-01-2016. It is available on DTH platform, internet-live streaming and also on Mobile Apps.

Doordarshan has a television channel DD Bharati dedicated to art and culture which also telecasts programmes on classical music.

Apart from the above, all regional channels of Doordarshan and All India Radio regularly broadcast programmes on classical music.

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