GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 6076 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 04, 2018

DOPPLER WEATHER RADARS

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bU/b-	SHRIMAII	KIIA	IAKAI

Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has decided to install four Doppler Weather Radars at Paradeep, Gopalpur, Sambalpur and Balasore in Odisha way back in 2006;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said radars have been set up at all the four locations;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government for procurement of Radars for the proposed Doppler Weather Radar Stations at Balasore and Sambalpur along with the timeline for operationalising of all the Doppler Weather Radar Stations in the Northern and Western part of the State?

ANSWER

MINISTER FOR MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES (DR. HARSH VARDHAN)

- (a) Yes Madam.
- (b) (d) Government had planned to install four Doppler Weather Radars (DWRs) at Paradeep, Gopalpur, Sambalpur and Balasore in Odisha. As on date, two coastal DWRs at Paradip and Gopalpur have been commissioned by India Meteorological Department (IMD). The third DWR at Balasore has been installed by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), Chandipore.
- (e) As per the emerging priorities from time to time, DWR for Sambalpur is included in the procurement plan (2018-20) of IMD.
