

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 6227
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 05.04.2018)**

HIGH POWER TV TRANSMITTERS IN BORDER AREAS

6227. SHRI ASHOK MAHADEORAO NETE:

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

- (a) whether the Government has taken any effective steps to set up high power TV transmitters in border areas to check anti-Indian propaganda on Pakistan television;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up high power TV transmitters in entire border areas of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) to (d) Prasar Bharati has informed that Strengthening TV coverage in border areas of the country to counter foreign TV signal/ signal coming from across the border is a priority for Prasar Bharati. Special packages for expansion and improvement of Doordarshan services in the border areas have been formulated from time to time. At present, 242 TV transmitters of varying power are functioning in border districts of the country including 105 transmitters of varying power functioning in the districts along Indo – Pak border. For further strengthening of Doordarshan terrestrial TV coverage in border areas, projects for setting up the following new High Power TV transmitters in J&K have been approved in the 12th Plan scheme for installation:

1. HPT, Green Ridge
2. HPT, Himbotingla
3. HPT, Natha Top (Patnitop)
4. HPT, Rajouri (DD National & DD News)

All areas uncovered by terrestrial transmission (including those in border areas) along with rest of the country, have been provided with multi-channel TV coverage through Doordarshan's free to air DTH service, "DD Free Dish". DTH signals can be received anywhere in the country including border areas with the help of small sized dish receive units.
