

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

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2646
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.12.2018)**

TELECAST OF HOCKEY WORLD CUP

2646. SHRI PRASUN BANERJEE:

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

- (a) whether Prasar Bharati has signed any MoU for live telecast of the Hockey World Cup; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons for delay in this regard, if any?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The Ministry vide Notification dated 13th November, 2018, notified all matches of 2018 Hockey Men's World Cup held from 28th November, 2018 to 16th November, 2018 as sporting events of national importance. Thereafter, Prasar Bharati and Rights Holder signed the agreement on 26.11.2018 for telecast of Hockey World Cup matches. Doordarshan commenced the telecast of World Cup Hockey matches from 28.11.2018 on its DD Sports Channel without any delay.
