### **GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

# **MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING**

# **LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 3363** 

(TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.03.2023)

**DISTRIBUTION OF DTH RECEIVER SETS** 

3363. SHRI PRADEEP KUMAR SINGH:

**SHRI JUGAL KISHORE SHARMA:** 

SHRI PARBATBHAI SAVABHAI PATEL:

**SHRIMATI GEETA KORA:** 

**SHRIMATI RITI PATHAK:** 

Will the Minister of Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) the details and the number of Doordarshan Direct To Home (DD DTH) Receiver Sets planned to be distributed by Prasar Bharati in far flung tribal, Left Wing extremism affected and border areas;
- (b) whether the said distribution of DD DTH Receiver Sets will be made free of cost; and
- (c) if so, the details and the number of far flung tribal, Left Wing extremism affected and border areas in Bihar, Gujarat, Jharkhand, Jammu & Kashmir and Madhya Pradesh which have been identified for the said purpose?

## **ANSWER**

# THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

# (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

(a) to (c) The Government has approved continuation of the Central Sector Scheme "Broadcasting Infrastructure and Network Development" with an outlay of Rs. 2539.61 crore for the period 2021-26 with various components including free distribution of over 8 lakh DD Free Dish Set Top Boxes (STBs) to people living in remote, tribal, Left Wing Extremism affected, border areas and aspirational districts in consultation with State Governments.

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