GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4463

(TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2020)

PROGRAMME IN REGIONAL LANGUAGES

4463. SHRI JUAL ORAM:

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

- (a) whether the emphasis has been laid by his Ministry to promote broadcast of programmes in different regional languages;
- (b) if so, whether the Government also proposes to broadcast news and entertainment programmes in tribal languages; and
- (c) if so, the steps taken in this regard in various States?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE; MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (c): Prasar Bharati telecasts programmes and news through its 17 DD Regional Language Satellite Service (RLSS) operating 24X7 hours, and 11 limited hours regional channels in their respective regional languages. These channels also telecast programmes in their respective tribal languages as well.

Further, Prasar Bharati broadcasts the news bulletins and programmes on All India Radio network in 22 Indian languages besides English and also in 181 dialects.
