

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**

**MINISTRY OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 928**

**(TO BE ANSWERED ON 07.02.2020)**

**FM RADIO STATIONS**

**928. SHRI RAHUL KASWAN:**

**DR. MANOJ RAJORIA:**

**SHRI DHARAMBIR SINGH:**

**SHRI D.K.SURESH:**

**SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV:**

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

- a) the details of Akashwani and FM Radio stations operating at present along with estimated listeners in the country, State/UT-wise;**
- b) whether any step has been taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to provide FM Radio stations in district headquarters of each Parliamentary Constituency in the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan, Haryana and Maharashtra;**

- c) the estimated average cost of setting up of new FM radio station along with revenue generated from various FM Radio stations at present, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan;**
- d) whether the Government has given its approval to new FM channels dedicated to farmers and cattle rearers and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including Rajasthan; and**
- e) the other measures being taken by the Government to establish FM Radio station in small cities all over the country keeping in view the demand by people?**

**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) and (b) Prasar Bharati has 482 All India Radio(AIR) Stations operating at present in the country and FM Radio stations at various locations across the country. The installed coverage capacity of AIR is about 92% by area and 99.20% by population of the country. State/UT-wise details are at Annexure-I.**

**(c) Average estimated cost of setting up a typical 10 kW FM radio station with 100 meter tower and studio facility by Prasar Bharati is approximately Rs 15 crore. State/UT-wise details of revenue generated in FY 2019-20 (upto December, 2019) by FM Radio stations including stations in Rajasthan are given at Annexure-II.**

**(d) Radio programmes for farmers and cattle rearers are being broadcast regularly by the AIR stations of Prasar Bharati in various parts of the country.**

**(e) Prasar Bharati expands its FM Radio Network by establishing new FM Stations as per approved projects under Central Sector Scheme of Government of India as per the need and demand in that area.**

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## Annexure-I

## ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) and (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 928 FOR ANSWER ON 07.02.2020.

Sr. No.	State	Total No. of AIR Stations including FM	Sr. No.	State	Total No. of AIR Stations including FM
1	Andhra Pradesh	14	20	Punjab	8
2	Arunachal Pradesh	34	21	Rajasthan	26
3	Assam	22	22	Sikkim	16
4	Bihar	15	23	Tamil Nadu	15
5	Chhattisgarh	13	24	Tripura	17
6	Goa	1	25	Telangana	11
7	Gujarat	16	26	Uttar Pradesh	26
8	Haryana	5	27	Uttarakhand	22
9	Himachal Pradesh	16	28	West Bengal	16
10	Jharkhand	13	<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Union Territories</b>	<b>Total No. of AIR Stations including FM</b>
11	Karnataka	20	1	A & N Island (UT)	1
12	Kerala	12	2	Chandigarh (UT)	1
13	Madhya Pradesh	25	3	Dadra , Nagar Haveli,	3
14	Maharashtra	30		Daman & Diu (UT)	
15	Manipur	8	4	Delhi (NCT)	1
16	Meghalaya	7	5	L & M Island (UT)	1
17	Mizoram	10	6	Puducherry (UT)	2
18	Nagaland	10	7	Jammu & Kashmir	17
19	Odisha	21	8	Ladakh	7
<b>Total number of AIR Stations including FM stations</b>				<b>482</b>	

**ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 928 FOR ANSWER ON 07.02.2020.**

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>State/UT</b>	<b>Revenue earned from AIR FM Radio Stations in 2019-20 (upto DEC- 2019) (in Rs. Crore).</b>
1	Andhra Pradesh	3.63
2	Assam	1.79
3	Bihar	1.99
4	Chhattisgarh	3.23
5	Goa	0.79
6	Gujarat	3.97
7	Haryana	1.86
8	Himachal Pradesh	1.87
9	Jharkhand	2.67
10	Karnataka	8.58
11	Kerala	6.99
12	Maharashtra	14.26
13	Manipur	0.22
14	Meghalaya	0.45
15	Mizoram	0.46
16	Madhya Pradesh	6.56
17	Nagaland	0.42
18	Odisha	4.30
19	Punjab	2.46
20	Rajasthan	8.75
21	Telangana	2.99
22	Tamil Nadu	11.37
23	Tripura	0.94
24	Uttar Pradesh	7.42
25	Uttarakhand	0.53
26	West Bengal	4.30
27	Sikkim	0.00
28	Arunachal Pradesh	0.00
<b>Union Territories</b>		
1	Andaman & Nicobar	5.29
2	Chandigarh	1.25
3	Dadra, Nagar Haweli, Daman Diu	0.74
4	Delhi	11.92
5	Jammu & Kashmir	2.94
6	Ladakh	0.00
7	L&M ISLANDS	0.00
8	Puducherry UT	2.62
	<b>Total</b>	<b>127.56</b>

