

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4065
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.03.2021)

FM SERVICE FROM DARBHANGA RADIO STATION

4065. SHRI GOPAL JEE THAKUR

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

- (a) whether Darbhanga radio station is functioning under Darbhanga Parliamentary Constituency and if so, the details thereof;**
- (b) whether several programmes in Maithali language are broadcast from this radio station and if so, the details thereof;**
- (c) whether the Government proposes to start an FM channel in Maithali language from this station; and**

(d) if so, the time by which the said service is likely to be started?

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) Yes Sir. Prasar Bharati is having an All India Radio (AIR) Station functional at Darbhanga in Darbhanga Parliamentary Constituency equipped with necessary programme generation facilities.

(b) Several programmes are being broadcast from AIR, Darbhanga such as Namaskar Mithilia, Singarhar, GaamGhar, Lokgeet, Dramas in Maithili languages on its Primary Channel. This channel is available at 1296 KHz medium wave frequency through a dedicated 20KW Medium Wave Transmitter, and also through a dedicated internet livestream through “NewsOnAir” app on “Android” and “iOS” platform for mobile users.

(c) & (d): There is no approved scheme for setting up of FM transmitter at AIR Station, Darbhanga at present.
