

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

**LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 427  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.07.2022)**

**DAVP EMPANELMENT**

**427. SHRI SISIR KUMAR ADHIKARI:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that more than thousands of applications are pending to empanel with Bureau of Communication (BoC) for Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) since February 2021 and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details and the number of publications and special media pending for DAVP empanelment since 2021, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to support the media organizations and clearing of all such applications pending from 2021 to March 2022; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER  
OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS {SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR}**

**(a) to (d) At present there are 1154 fresh applications of newspapers and periodicals (magazines) for empanelment with Central Bureau of Communication (CBC, erstwhile BOC) since August, 2021. There is no category of Special media in CBC empanelment. State-wise details of such applications for CBC empanelment is available on the website of <http://www.davp.nic.in/>. Exercise of empanelment of publications is an ongoing process.**

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