

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

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO *39
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.07.2024**

ESTABLISHMENT OF FM RADIO STATION IN KASARGOD, KERALA.

*39. SHRI RAJMOHAN UNNITHAN

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

- (a) whether any proposal regarding establishment of FM Radio station in Kasargod district of Kerala, where Malayalam and Kannada are widely spoken, is pending with the Government for approval;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (c) whether the Government will consider any new proposals in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

**MINISTER FOR RAILWAYS, INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING, ELECTRONICS
& INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY,**

(SHRI ASHWINI VAISHNAW)

- (a) to (d): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (d) OF THE LOK SABHA
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- (a) to (d): At present, a 100 Watt FM Relay station of Akashvani is operational at Kasaragod carrying Akashvani Malayalam channel for localized coverage. At present the programmes of the Kasargod Relay Station are broadcast in Malayalam language.

Further, FM Broadcasts from Akashvani FM transmitters at Madikeri and Udupi in the adjacent districts of Karnataka are also available in some parts of Kasaragod District. In addition, Kannada FM Broadcast from Akashvani Madikeri and Manguluru/Udupi stations in Karnataka is also available in some parts of Kasaragod District.
