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## **The issue “On the digital television and radio broadcasting development perspectives in the Republic of Belarus” is considered during the board meeting of the Ministry**

The board meeting with regard to the issue “On the digital television and radio broadcasting development perspectives in the Republic of Belarus” was held at the Ministry of Communications and Informatization of the Republic of Belarus.

A speaker noted that the Republic of Belarus is the first among CIS countries which completed the full transmission to the digital terrestrial television.

The transmission network of the terrestrial digital television broadcasting of RUE Beltelecom consists of 284 transmitters, 3 terrestrial digital television covering layers were organized: the 1st multicomplex – 99.45%; the 2nd multicomplex – 95.11%; the 3rd multicomplex – 93.63%.

Cable television services are provided to 147 telecommunications operators and their audience comprises 1.8 million subscribers.

IP-television is provided to 84 telecommunications operators and their audience comprises 1.3 million subscribers.

The services on TV viewing on smart phones, tablets and TV receivers are available to cellular mobile communication operators. At the moment, the broadcasting at very high frequencies is in demand due to the high quality and a wide range of the program broadcasted.

367 high frequency radio transmitters are operated within the territory of the Republic of Belarus: 102 transmitters within radio-frequency range of 65.9 – 74 MHz, 265 transmitters within radio-frequency range of 87.5 – 108 MHz. These transmitters ensure the analog terrestrial broadcasting of more than 40 sound programs.

The digital television and radio broadcasting development perspectives within the territory of the Republic were also discussed, including with regard to 694-790 MHz band release for the introduction of advanced systems of land mobile telecommunications, and other issues.

The representatives of the Ministry of Information, television and radio broadcasting companies, Telecommunication branch union, Goskomvoenprom, RUE Beltelecom, JSC "MTIS", JV "Cosmos TV", OUP "BelGIE", PRUE "Precise electromechanical plant", JSC "Giprosvyaz", JSC "Promsvyaz" took part in the board meeting.

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