

Radio Television Afghanistan transmitters

A contact in Afghanistan who is a NZ Radio DX League member has sent me the following information on Radio and Television Afghanistan (RTA) as of February 2004.

The following table lists all of the known RTA transmitters in Afghanistan. The information has been obtained from RTA in Kabul and has been verified in about half of the locations. Some of the RTA provided information has been shown to be inaccurate however (listed above). Where sites have not been checked, this is shown in the 'Current status' column as 'Believed on air'.

| Programme | Coverage area | Frequency (MHz) | TX power (kW) | Current status | Funded Service by |
|----------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| VHF/FM transmitters | | | | | |
| Local(RTA) | Taloqan | 91.2 | 0.03 | On air | BBC |
| RTA | Greater Kabul | 93.0 | 0.25 | On air | BBC |
| Local (RTA) | Jalalabad | 93.0 | 0.25 | On air | BBC |
| Local (RTA) | Konduz | 94.4 | 0.2 | On air | BBC |
| Local (RTA) | Herat | 95.5 | 0.25 | On air | BBC |
| Local (RTA) | Mazar | 101.0 | 1 | On air | BBC |
| Local (RTA) | Maimana | 104.3 | 0.03 | On air | BBC |
| Local (RTA) | Gardez | 104.6 | 0.03 | On air | BBC |
| Local (RTA) | Faizabad | 105.1 | 0.03 | On air | BBC |
| RTA | Mostof, Kabul | 105.2 | 0.6 | On air | VOA |
| Local (RTA) | Pol-e Khomri | 106.6 | 0.25 | On air | BBC |
| MW transmitters | | | | | |
| RTA | 300km radius | 1278 | 50 | On air | Iran |
| RTA | 400 | 909 | 10 | On air | AFG 75%/VOA |
| Local (RTA) | Ghazni | 1017 | 10 | On air | US |
| Local (RTA) | Kandahar | | 10 | On air | US |
| Local (RTA) | Kandahar | | 7 | Believed On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Helmand | | 0.1 | Believed On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Nemroze | | 7 | Believed On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Farah | | 7 | Believed On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Herat | 1512/828 | 10 | Faulty | |
| Local (RTA) | Herat | 1512/828 | 0.1 | On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Badghise | | 0.1 | Believed On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Faryab | | 7 | Believed On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Mazar e sharif | 1584 | 2 | On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Mazar e sharif | 909 | 50 | Faulty | Iran |
| Local (RTA) | Samangan | | 0.1 | Believed On air | |
| Local(RTA) | (Konduz) | | 5 | Does not exist | |
| Local(RTA) | Zabad | | 5 | Off air for 8 years | |
| Local (RTA) | Gardez | | 7 | On air | |
| Local(RTA) | Khost | 1200 | 0.5 | On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Paktika | | 0.1 | Believed On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Jalalabad | | 0.4 | On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Maimana | 1188/594 | 5 | On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Taloqan | | 0.5 | Off air | |
| SW transmitters | | | | | |
| RTA | Afghanistan+ | | | Planned | India |

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| TV transmitters | | | | | |
| Local (RTA) | Faizabad | | 0.01 | On air | Iran |
| Local (RTA) | Gardez | | | Not used for 10 years | |
| Local (RTA) | Ghazni | 221.0 | 1 | On air | US |
| Local (RTA) | Herat | 189.2 | 0.01 | On air | Iran |
| Local (RTA) | Jalalabad | | | On air | |
| RTA | Kabul | 217.2 | 0.2 | On air | Iran |
| Local (RTA) | Mazar | | 0.05 | On air | Iran |
| Local (RTA) | Pol-e Khomri | | 0.001? | On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Konduz | | 0.001 | On air | |
| Local (RTA) | Taloqan | | 0.01 | On air | Iran |
| Local (RTA) | Sheberghan | 214.0 | 0.1 | On air | |

The list does not include the private stations now on the air. Several community and private FM's are on air in Kabul. Also, BFBS, RFA, VOA and so on. However, this is THE most up-to-date list of what we all think RTA has... it's hard to tell sometimes! Credit - Reproduced from "Position Plan: Strategy for Radio-Television Afghanistan and Bakhtar Information Agency". (Ministry of Information and Culture. Kabul. February, 2004) via New Zealand Radio DX League Member working for UN Department in Kabul, Mar 16, via Mark Nicholls, New Zealand for DSWCI)

