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Radio Republik Indonesia (RRI) is the official name of the national sound-broadcasting network of the Republic of Indonesia. It is a government body, given the status of directorate under the Directorate General of Radio Television and Film of the Department of Information. The chief executive of the organisation is the director.

The directorate of RRI includes the following: domestic services, overseas services, news service, engineering, planning and development, transmission service, Jakarta transmitters unit and administrations. Each division is headed by a division head.

Domestic Service

The Domestic Services provide guidance in matters of programme in accordance with government policies. It stipulates the lines of conduct to be followed by the regional RRI stations all over Indonesia. The Domestic Service also takes care of developing and coordinating non-RRI stations.

The division coordinates sections responsible for planning and coordination and control and evaluation.

Overseas Service

The Overseas Division plans and produces programmes directed to overseas listeners. It gives a picture of what Indonesia is, its aspirations and progress, with the aim of maintaining and promoting friendly relations with foreign countries.

The overseas programmes consists of programmes for Asia and the Pacific, for Europe, Africa and the Middle East, and programmes for America.

It broadcasts its programmes in 11 languages: English, French, Chinese, Urdu, Hindi, Arabic, Indonesian, Malaysia, German, Thai and Japanese.

News Service

The News Service is responsible for the central news broadcast (both national and international), commentaries and reportage. It undertakes the daily monitoring of domestic and foreign stations.

The service is divided into news, editorial and commentaries section, reportage section, sports news section and the monitoring section.

The product of the Central News Department is broadcast by the Jakarta National Radio Station of RRI every hour, with the time and schedule as follows:

1. Central News Broadcast is relayed by 48 RRI radio stations in 27 provinces and about 550 non-RRI radio stations throughout Indonesia. Its times are: 0.600 hours, 07.00 hours, 13.00 hours., 17.00 hours, 19.00 hours and 22.00 hours Western Indonesian time.

2. National News Broadcast is aired at 05.00 hours, 09.00.hours, 10.00 hours, 12.00 hours, 15.00 hours., 16.00 hours, 23.00 hours, 24.00 hours and 03.00 hours Western Indonesian Time. These are only broadcasted by short wave through the National Radio Station of RRI.

3. Local News Broadcast is at 08.00 hours, 11.00 hours, 18.00 hours, 21.00 hours., 01.00 hours, 02.00 hours and 04.00 hours Western Indonesian Time. These are broadcasted by the Local Program of the Jakarta Metropolitan Service. Also the Metropolitan English Service of the Metropolitan Program is held twice a day at 07.30 hours and 18.30 hours Western Indonesian Time.

4. The Overseas News Service is carried out by the Voice of Indonesia or the Overseas Service, using the world short wave transmitters on 11.790 KHZ-15.150 KHZ (25.4 and 19.8 meter bands).

5. ASEAN news is broadcasted at 15.00 hours for Indonesian listeners and is relayed by 48 radio stations throughout the country.

Besides the RRI National Station in Jakarta, the 48 regional radio stations of RRI in 27 provinces also hold their own local and regional news services in Bahasa Indonesia and the local language.

Engineering, Planning and Development

The task of the Engineering, Planning and Development Division covers electric, mechanic and acoustic planning. It is also responsible for the civil engineering of all studio buildings.

The Engineering, Planning and Development Division is subdivided into sections for engineering planning, research, development, technical training and civil engineering.

Technical Transmission Service

This division takes care of the maintenance and supply of technical equipment for all RRI stations. It consists of three sections: technical exploitation, studio equipment and technical supply.

Jakarta Transmitters Unit

This division is responsible for the local, national and international transmitters located in Jakarta. There are three transmitters, each of which is supervised by a section head.

Administration

The Administration Division is responsible for the finance, general administration and personnel affairs of the RRI. It consists of a personnel, finance and supply sections.

Programme Organizing

RRI has domestic and external broadcasting services. The Domestic Broadcasting Services, broadcasts programmes from 49 stations.

For purposes of coordination in programme planning, management and administration, RRI divided the country into five zonal or sub-national centres called Nusantaras:

Nusantara I--Headquarters at Medan, covering Sumatra.

Nusantara II--Headquarters at Yogyakarta, covering
Java, Madura, Bali and West Nusa Tenggara

Nusantara III--Headquarters at Banjarmasin, covering the
whole of Kalimantan

Nusantara IV--Headquarters at Ujung Pandang, covering
Sulawesi, Maluku and East Nusa Tenggara

Nusantara V--Headquarters at Jayapura, covering Irian Jaya

Each of the five Nusantara Stations consists of five main divisions: programming, news service, administration and

engineering. The other regional stations are more simply organised.

Radio Training in Indonesia

In 1985 the Government is opening a Multi-Media Training Center in Yogyakarta. This will boost the efforts of the training centre of RRI which conducts short courses two or three times a year. Some assistance for these courses--in the form of instructors--is provided by the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development based in Malaysia.