

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING  
LOK SABHA**

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TIME SLOT FOR REGIONAL LANGUAGE FILMS  
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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government propose to increase the duration time of telecasting of films in regional languages with a view to promote regional languages; and

(b) if so, the time duration allotted to the Rajasthani dialect, Marwari, in comparison to other regional languages?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) : Prasar Bharati has intimated that there is no such proposal presently.

(b): Does not arise. Major DD Kendras telecast films in their respective regional languages on regular basis on both satellite as well as terrestrial channels. Regional language films which have won National and International awards and State level awards are telecast on DD National Network (DD-1).