

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the proposals for Sanskrit programmes received by Doordarshan;
- (b) whether the Doordarshan has taken any initiative to promote the Sanskrit language in its Millennium programming for the coming years;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING & PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI)

- (a): Doordarshan has informed that no such proposals have been received by them.
- (b) to (e): Yes, Sir. Prasar Bharati has informed that the following programmes in Sanskrit in commissioned category under the Indian Classics series have been approved:
 1. `Uttar Ramacharitam'
 2. `Gatha Saptasati'
 3. `Raghuvansham'
 4. `Kumarasambhava'
 5. `Abhigyan Shakuntalam'