GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4564 ANSWERED ON:21.12.2011 ONLINE WORKS OF EMINENT PERSONALITIES Reddy Shri Magunta Srinivasulu

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language has online one million pages of writings by the likes of Mirza Ghalib, Faiz Ahmed Faiz, Zauq, Ali Sardar Jafri and Kaifi Azmi;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to make works of eminent personalities online in pursuit of language and culture in various fields and the funds allocated and spent in this regard so far;
- (d) the demands of various State Governments pending with the Union Government in this regard;
- (e) the details of the pending requests, State-wise; and
- (f) the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (Dr. D. PURANDESWARI)

- (a)&(c) National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL), an autonomous organization under this Ministry, in collaboration with Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC), Noida, has posted 1,50,000 pages of NCPUL publications relating to eminent Urdu writers in Tagged Image File (TIF) format under the project of Urdu Digital Library, besides 50,000 pages posted in Unicode Format under the project `Urdu Kai-i-Naat', on their website www.urducouncil.nic.in;
- (d) No such proposal is pending in this Ministry;
- (e)&(f) Does not arise in view of (d) above.