GOVERNMENT OF INDIA CIVIL AVIATION LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2199 ANSWERED ON:07.12.2011 HINDI NEWSPAPERS MAGAZINES IN FLIGHTS Yadav Shri Hukamdeo Narayan

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per Rajbhasha Act, Hindi newspapers and magazines should be circulated in equal number on all flights;
- (b) if so, the amount spent by the airlines on newspapers and magazines in various languages during each of the last three years and the current year, language-wise and airline-wise;
- (c) Whether it is mandatory for all the Government Departments to comply with the provisions of Rajbhasha Act; and
- (d) if so, the action proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS & MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI VAYALAR RAVI)

- (a): No, Madam.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): Yes, Madam.
- (d): Each year Department of Official Language issues an Annual Programme for all the Central Government Departments/ offices etc. So far as this Ministry and its attached offices/ PSUs/ subordinate offices etc. are concerned, to achieve the targets fixed in the Annual Programme, OLIC Meetings, Hindi Diwas/ week/fortnight & Hindi workshops are organized and Inspections etc. are conducted at regular intervals.