

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

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PROMOTING REGIONAL FILMS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Marathi and other regional languages films produced during each of the last three years and the current year, language-wise;
- (b) whether any financial and other assistance provided to such films including Marathi film producers; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the nature of assistance provided to such film producers during the said period language-wise including Marathi film producers?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (DR. S. JAGATHRAKSHAKAN)

- (a) The details of the films produced are given in the Annexure.
 - (b) & (c) No financial assistance is given to films by the Government. However, National Film Development Corporation, a PSU under Information & Broadcasting Ministry produced films in all Indian languages under the 11th Five Year Plan Scheme of the Ministry namely "Film Production in various regional languages". Under 11th Plan, an amount of Rs. 36 crores was allocated and spent towards production of films in various regional languages.
- In addition, NFDC assists filmmakers of India in promoting their films in International film markets including Film Bazaar (conducted by NFDC) and Cannes Film Market.