

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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SIMPLIFICATION OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to simplify official language Hindi;
- (b) if so, the measures taken by the Government in this regard;
- (c) whether the Hindi language used in official work and by common man is same;
- (d) if not, the details thereof and the measures taken by the Government to make it more useful and simple; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (e): The Department of Official Language, Ministry of Home Affairs have informed that it has issued instructions from time to time that simple and easily intelligible Hindi should be used with a view to promoting Hindi. It has been advised that,

- i) Simple Hindi should be used in writing notes and letters so that it is easily understood by all. It is important that the reader should understand what the writer actually wishes to convey.
- ii) Words which are commonly understood should be increasingly used in official work and there should be no hesitation in using popular words of other languages in Devanagari.
- iii) Wherever it is felt that the reader may find it difficult to understand a particular technical word or designation in Hindi, it would be helpful if its English equivalent is used in Devanagari.