GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the Government has spent lakhs of rupees for subjects like future of Hindi but on the other hand, financial assistance is not provided to Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti in Wardha, the workplace of Gandhiji:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the amount Government incures every year for the promotion and dissemination of Hindi during the last three years; and
- (d) the details of future schemes likely to be formulated to give Hindi its proper place and make it effective?

Answer

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(a) & (b): The Ministry of Human Resource Development promotes Hindi through various schemes implemented by the Central Hindi Directorate(CHD), Kendriya Hindi Sansthan(KHS) and the Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology(CSTT). CHD offers Correspondence Courses to non-Hindi speaking Indians and foreigners through the medium of English, Tamil, Malayalam and Bangla languages; Prabodh, Praveen and Pragya Courses of Rajbhasha Vibhag for the Government Servants; and Hindi Course for North Eastern students who opt Hindi as a compulsory Indian Language paper in the Civil Services Examination of the UPSC. CHD also prepares bilingual and trilingual dictionaries; publishes periodical magazines like Bhasha, Varshiki and Sahityamala; provides Grants in Aid to Voluntary Hindi Organisations; for promoting Hindi in non -Hindi speaking areas; undertakes extension programmes such as workshops for neo-Hindi writers, study tours, national seminars, lecture series, shiksha puraskar, etc. and distributes free of cost Hindi books to the libraries in the non -Hindi speaking areas.

CSTT broadly carries out work relating to evolution and propagation of scientific and technical terminology in Hindi and other Indian languages which includes preparation of Dictionaries/Glossaries, National Terminology, Definitional Dictionaries, Encyclopedias, Learners' Glossaries for students and fundamental Glossaries; approval of Departmental Glossaries; propagation, expansion and critical review of terms through seminars, workshops, training/orientation programmes; assistance for production of textbooks through Granth Academies, Textbook Boards and University Cells and publication of Journals.

The KHS offers Teachers Training Programmes and Research in comparative & Contrastive Linguistics, develops Lexical Resources and prepares Instructional materials as per the need of Hindi learners. Besides, vocational Courses are also conducted. The Central Hindi Directorate has provided Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Wardha, a financial assistance of Rs.7,99,770/- during 2010-2011 and Rs.8,26,020/- during 2011-2012.

- (c): The expenditure incurred for the promotion and dissemination of Hindi by the Central Hindi Directorate, Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, and the Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology during 2009-2010, 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 is Rs.5569.02 lakh, Rs.6427.27 lakh, and Rs.2228.51 lakh respectively.
- (d): The existing schemes of the Central Hindi Directorate, Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, and the Commission for Scientific and Technical Terminology are running quite effectively. Introduction of new Schemes and discontinuation of schemes, which have outlived their utility, is an ongoing process.