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LOK SABHA**

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SOFTWARE IN DEVNAGRI SCRIPT  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to prepare standard syllabus for Hindi teaching by Mahatma Gandhi International Hindi University, Wardha;
- (b) if so, the details of software prepared/ to be prepared for usage of Devnagri Script to promote Hindi in other countries; and
- (c) the number of Hindi scholars likely to be engaged in this job in near future for propagation of Hindi?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a) The Mahatma Gandhi Antarrashtriya Hindi Vishwavidyalaya (MGAHV), Wardha is an autonomous organization established for the promotion and development of Hindi language and literature and is governed by its Act and Statutes & Ordinances framed thereunder. The MGAHV has informed that the 9th World Hindi Conference held at Johannesburg, South Africa from 22-24 September, 2012 resolved to entrust them with the job of preparing a standard syllabus for teaching of Hindi outside India. The first workshop on preparing a standard syllabus has begun on 11th December, 2012 in the premises of the University.

(b) Software for the usage of the Devnagri script has not been developed by the MGAHV. However, various organizations around the world including some institutions in India viz. the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, the Hyderabad University, the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), the Indian Institutes of Information Technology (IIITs) and the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C DAC) have developed various types of software for Hindi using Devnagri as a script. Some examples include search engines supporting Hindi language, tutors for learning Hindi typing, Keyboard driver, GIST OT Typing SDK, i-plugin, LILA, e-mahashabdkosh, Mantra- Rajbhasha, ShrutLekhan-Rajbhasha, Vachantar-Rajbhasha, Online Hindi Wordnet, Multilingual online video editor / character generator, Hindi language enabled Dot matrix and POS printers and enhancement in Machine Translation systems.

(c) It is not possible to give a number because scholarship in Hindi alone would not be enough for getting a job in a software development organization.