GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3861 ANSWERED ON:06.08.2014 URDU LANGUAGE Owaisi Shri Asaduddin

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

- (a) whether Urdu language is not getting its due share as compared to other languages in the country; and
- (b) if so, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to encourage Urdu language to link it with employment generation by allocating more funds during 12th Plan period?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) Urdu language is getting its due share as compared to other languages. The National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL), an autonomous organization under the administrative control of this Ministry and implementing the following schemes for the promotion of Urdu, Arabic and Persian languages through registered NGOs/Institutions/ Societies:-
- # Financial assistance for holding Seminars/Lecture series/Bulk purchase of books/ publication of Manuscripts/short term studies and Academic Projects in Urdu, Arabic and Persian languages.
- # Two year Diploma in functional Arabic through Study Centres.
- # One year Certificate Course in Arabic.
- (b) To encourage Urdu language to link it with employment, the following programmes are run by NCPUL to impart skills to unemployed youth for making them employable:-
- # Diploma in Computer Application, Business Accounting and Multilingual Desk Top Publishing (CABA MDTP).
- # Urdu & Arabic Courses.
- # Calligraphy & Graphic Design.
- NCPUL has started the following vocational courses in addition to the above courses:-
- # Course in Paper Mache in collaboration with University of Kashmir.
- # Skill development in electronic hardware in collaboration with National Institute of Electronics And Information Technology (NIELIT).

The status of budget allocation and expenditure of last three years including this year is as under which indicates that there is full support from Govt. of India for Promotion of Urdu Language.

(Rs.In lakhs)
Year Fund allocated
2012-2013 4000.00
2013-2014 5999.86
2014-2015 5500.00
(in BE)