

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA**

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BRILLE PRESSES

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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Braille presses located in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether the Governemnt proposes to set up more Braille presses and upgrade/ modernise the existing ones in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the funds sanctioned to the States for the purpose and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the time by which the said proposal is likely to be implemented?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR SOCIAL JUSTSICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

- (a) As per infomation available with the Ministry, there are 21 Braille Presses in the country. State/UT-wise details are attached at Annexure-A.
- (b) to (d) The Government has initiated action for formulation of a Central Sector Scheme on "Support for establishment/modernization/capacity augmentation of Braille Presses". Details of the Scheme are being finalized. So far no funds have been sanctioned to the States.