GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:238
ANSWERED ON:09.12.2014
PROMOTION OF HINDI
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the progressive use of Hindi in official work/ communication has been satisfactory, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor:
- (b) whether the Government has issued instructions to all the Government Departments for using Hindi in official work and provide the Hindi version of every official correspon- dence and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken proactive steps to ensure that the said instructions are followed in the offices;
- (d) if so, the details and the outcome thereof; and
- (e) the other steps taken to promote the progressive use of Hindi in official work by Government Departments as well as private and corporate sectors in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI KIREN RUIJU)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 238 FOR 09.12.2014

- (a): Yes, Madam. The progressive use of Hindi in official work/ communication has been satisfactory. However more efforts are required to achieve the target completely.
- (b): Only the documents (Resolutions, general orders, rules, notifications, administrative and other reports, press communiqués, administrative and other reports and official papers laid before a House or the Houses of Parliament, official papers, contracts, agreements, licences, permits, tender notices and forms of tender) covered under the Section 3(3) of the Official Languages Act, 1963 are to be compulsorily issued both in Hindi and English. An Annual Programme for transacting the official work of the Union in Hindi is issued every year by the Department of Official Language.
- (c) & (d): Yes, Madam. To ensure compliance of official language policy -
- (i) An Annual Programme is issued by the Department of Official Language.
- (ii) Achievements regarding compliance of Annual Programme are laid on the Table of both the Houses of Parliament in the form of Annual Assessment Report.
- (iii) Official Language Implementation Committees are constituted in Central Government offices.
- (iv) Town Official Language Implementation Committees have been formed at town level.
- (v) Hindi Salahkar Samitis are constituted in Ministries/Offices to provide necessary guidelines.
- (vi) The officers of 08 Regional Implementation Offices of Department of Official Language ensure compliance of official language policy through inspections etc.
- (e): The details of the steps taken to promote the progressive use of Hindi in official work by government departments in the country are contained in the 'c' and 'd' above. The Official Language Rules are not applicable to private and Corporate Sector.

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 238 FOR 09.12.2014

(b): The details of targets for the year 2014-15 are as follows :-

Annual Programme for 2014-15 for use of Hindi

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OF WORKS
1 Originating 1.From A to 1.From B to 1.From C to A 55%in Hindi
     A 100%
               A 90% 2.From C to A 55%
 Correspondence 2.From A to 2.From B to 3. From C to C 55\%
      A 100%
                A 90% 4. From Region C
 (including 3.From A to 3.From B to C 65% C 55% Individual
                                            to Offices/
                               Individuals 100%
Telegram, 4.From Region 4.From Region in States/UTs Wireless, A to Offices/ B to Offices/ of A & B region
 Wireless, A to Offices/ B to Offices/
Telex, Fax, Individuals Individuals E-mail etc. 100% in 100% in
     States/ UTs States/UTs
      of A & B of A & B
      region region
2. Letters 100% 100% 100%
 receivedin
 Hindi to be
 answered in
Hindi
3. Noting in 75% 50% 30%
Hindi
4. Recruitment 80% 70% 40%
of Hindi
Typists&
Stenographers.
5. Dictation in 65% 55% 30%
Hindi/ Direct
Typing on
Key-Board
 (self or by
the Asstt.)
6. Hindi Training 100% 100% 100%
     (Language,
Typing/
Stenography)
7 Preparation of 100% 100% 100%
Bilingual
Training
Material
8. Expenditure 50% 50% 50%
for the
 purchase of
Hindi books
 etc.,
including
 digital
matters i.e.,
Hindi e-books,
CD/DVD, Pen
Drive including
 amount incurred
 on Translation
 in Hindi from
English and
 Regional
Languages. out
 of the total
 Library grant,
excluding
 journals and
 standard
reference books
9. Purchase of 100% 100% 100%
all electronic
 equipments,
 including
 computers in
bilingual form.
10. Website. 100% 100% 100%
   (bilingual) (bilingual) (bilingual)
11. Citizen 100% 100% 100%
Charter and (bilingual) (bilingual) (bilingual)
 display of
 Public
 Interface
 information
 Board
12. {I} Inspection 25% (minimum) 25% (minimum) 25% (minimum)
      Departments/
 Offices of
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their offices

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located outside
their
Headquarters
& by the
officers
(DS/Dir/JS)
of DOL(% of
Offices)
{II} Inspections 25% (minimum) 25% (minimum) 25% (minimum)
of sections at
Head quarters.
{III} Joint At least one inspection in a year.
inspections by
the officers
Concerned &
those of the
Deptt.of Official
Language of
Foreign based
Undertakings/
Offices etc.
owned or
controlled by
the Central
Government.
13. Meetings
regarding
Official
Language
{A} Hindi 02 meetings in a year (minimum)
Salahakar
Samiti
{B} Town 02 meetings in a year (One meeting every 6 months)
Official
Language
      Implementation
Committee.
{C} Official 04 meetings in a year (One meeting every quarter)
Language
Implementation
Committee.
14. Translation of 100%
Codes, Manuals,
Forms,
Procedural
literature.
15. Sections of the A Region B Region C Region
Ministries/ 40% 30% 20%
Departments/
offices/Banks/
Undertakings
where entire
work to be
done in Hindi.
    (Minimum Section)
   40\% in 'A' Region, 25% in 'B' Region and 15%
   in 'C' Region work may be done in Hindi for
   those Public Sector Undertakings/
   Corporations where there is no concept of
   section.
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The details of the three regions 'A', 'B' and 'C' as per Official Language Rules, 1976 are as follows:-

Region States/Union Territories falling in the Region

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A States of Bihar, Chhatisgarh, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, National Capital Territory of Delhi and Andaman & Nicobar Islands Union Territory

B States of Gujarat, Maharashtra and Punjab and Union Territories of Chandigarh, Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli

C All other States not included in the A and B Regions or Union Territories
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