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Title: Need to confer classical language status for Marathi language.

*SHRI RAHUL SHEWALE (MUMBAI-SOUTH-CENTRAL): Hon'ble Deputy Speaker Sir, Government of India confers classical language status to eminent languages in India. Government of Maharashtra is trying to get classical language status for Marathi language.

As of now, Tamil, Sanskrit, Telugu, Kannada and Oriya are six classical languages of India.

On getting this classical status, Central Government provides a huge grant for development of that language and its reputation also enhances. By getting such status a language gets importance and thus paving the way for its further development.

Government of Maharashtra constituted a committee under the chairmanship of Prof.Ranganath Pathare on 10th January 2012 for extensive research and study and to collect proofs to get classical language status for Marathi. This committee, after getting three extensions on 18 June, 2012, 14 August, 2012 and 12 March, 2013, had been asked to submit its report by 31 March, 2013.

Accordingly, this committee submitted its report in Marathi on 12 July, 2013 and in English on 16 November, 2013 to the Central Government. Sir, the Central Government norms for conferring classical language status to the Indian language are:

1. Ancientness of the language;
2. Originality and continuity of the language;
3. Established and independent linguistic and literary tradition and
4. The gap as well as connection / relation between the ancient language and its modern form.

Sir, Marathi language fulfills all the necessary parameters for being a classical language. Thank you.

HON. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: The House stands adjourned to meet again

tomorrow, the 10th December, 2014 at 11 a.m.

18.59 hrs

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Eleven of the Clock

on Wednesday, December 10, 2014/Agrahayana 19, 1936 (Saka).

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