

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. 15
TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.02.2019**

Higher Education Courses

*15. SHRI LAXMAN GILUWA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the medium of instruction in most of the courses of higher education is English, due to which rural students remain deprived of higher and technical education and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the details of higher education courses whose medium of instruction is Hindi and regional languages at present;
- (c) whether any efforts have been made to make Hindi and regional languages the medium of instruction in medical colleges and Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs); and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR)

(a) to (d): A statement is laid on the table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF LOK SABHA
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LAXMAN GILUWA, HON'BLE M.P. REGARDING "Higher Education Courses"**

(a) to (d): Yes Madam. Since the knowledge base in the higher education, especially technical education, remained in English, the medium of instructions in most of the higher education institutions is English. However, some of the Universities have started imparting education at undergraduate level in Hindi medium in some of the subjects. Similarly, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has also introduced "TAKNIKI PATHYAPUSTAK PURASKAR YOJANA" with a view to provide state of art knowledge of Engineering and Technology in Hindi language. The scheme encourages to write standard technical textbooks in Hindi to facilitate classroom instructions in Hindi Language in Hindi Speaking States.

Many State Universities have regional Indian Languages as medium for many undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

No students from rural background are deprived of higher and technical education because of medium of learning. Institutes provide special coaching to those students who report any such difficulty and give special attention to students to facilitate learning.
