

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA**  
**MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING**  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2318**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 19.12.2025**

**CERTIFICATION OF BENGALI AND OTHER REGIONAL FILMS BY CBFC**

**2318. SHRI SAMIK BHATTACHARYA:**

Will the Minister of **Information and Broadcasting** be pleased to state:

- a) the total number of full length Bengali films certified by the Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) in the last five years, year-wise;
- b) the comparative data of full length films certified in other major Indian languages such as Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Kannada and Marathi during the same period; and
- c) whether the number of films certified in these languages has shown an increasing or decreasing trend during the last five years, if so, the reasons for such trend?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND  
PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS**

**(DR. L. MURUGAN)**

(a) to (c): The Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) certifies films for public exhibition in the country under the provisions of the Cinematograph Act, 1952 and the rules made thereunder.

The number of films certified in different languages varies due to various factors such as the varied scale of film production in regional industries, disruptions such as COVID-19 period etc. It is also influenced by audience preferences, market conditions, and the increasing role of digital and OTT platforms, among other factors.

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