

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
LOK SABHA  
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5980  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.04.2017**

**RECOGNITION TO LANGUAGES**

†5980. **SHRI BHAI RON PRASAD MISHRA:**

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

- (a) the details of the languages which have been recognised in the country at national level; and
- (b) the details of people with speaking/writing ability in various languages, State/UT-wise?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT**

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(a): The Eighth Schedule of the Constitution consists of the following 22 languages

(1) Assamese (2) Bengali (3) Gujarati (4) Hindi (5) Kannada (6) Kashmiri (7) Konkani (8) Malayalam (9) Manipuri (10) Marathi (11) Nepali (12) Oriya (13) Punjabi (14) Sanskrit (15) Sindhi (16) Tamil (17) Telugu (18) Urdu (19) Bodo (20) Santhali (21) Maithili and (22) Dogri

(b): Office of Registrar General and Census Commissioner, India under the Ministry of Home Affairs conducts population census in which data on languages is available in their website in public domain. ([www.censusindia.gov.in](http://www.censusindia.gov.in))

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