

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS  
(DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL & TRAINING)

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2712**  
(TO BE ANSWERED ON 03.01.2018)

**UPSC AND SSC EXAMS IN REGIONAL LANGUAGES**

**2712. SHRI D.K. SURESH:**

Will the **PRIME MINISTER** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Staff Selection Commission (SSC) and Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) examinations are not being conducted in regional languages which are badly affecting the chances of candidates from non-Hindi speaking States;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has any proposal to conduct SSC and UPSC exams in regional languages;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of candidates recruited through SSC during the last three years, State-wise?

**ANSWER**

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES  
AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE  
(DR. JITENDRA SINGH)**

(a) to (d) : Normally, the question papers in the recruitment examinations conducted by Staff Selection Commission (SSC) & Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) are in Hindi and English. In some examinations, the question papers are in English only. However, in the Civil Services Examinations conducted by UPSC, candidates are provided the option of answering all the question papers, except the Qualifying Language Papers, Paper-A and Paper-B, in any of the languages included in the eighth schedule to the Constitution of India or in English. Also, in the examination for recruitment of Multi Tasking Staff (Non-technical), conducted by SSC, the candidates have the option of answering in the descriptive paper in English or in any language included in the eighth schedule to the Constitution of India.

(e): As the Staff Selection Commission makes its recruitments on an All India basis, state-wise recruitment data is not maintained centrally by SSC. During the last three years, the number of candidates recruited by the Commission through various examinations conducted by it are given below:

- i. 2014-15 : 58066
- ii. 2015-16 : 25138
- iii. 2016-17 : 68880

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