

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS**

**LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. †*58**

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 06TH FEBRUARY, 2018 / MAGHA 17, 1939 (SAKA)

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE HINDI

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of schemes formulated by the Government for providing due recognition to the official language Hindi and for its wide publicity at national and international level as per the provision of the Constitution alongwith the total amount incurred thereon;

(b) whether the Government has fixed any target in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to ensure better utilization of official language Hindi in the field of science and technology?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI KIREN RIJITU)**

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

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *58 FOR ANSWER ON 06.02.2018 REGARDING "OFFICIAL LANGUAGE HINDI"

(a) to (c): Yes Madam, As per the provision made in the Article 343 of the Constitution Hindi in Devnagari script is the Official Language of the Union. For the recognition of the Official Language and its wide publicity at national and international level Government of India has formulated various schemes like Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar Yojana, Rajbhasha Gaurav Puraskar Yojana, Rajbhasha Regional Awards, Encouragement/Incentive Scheme, Cash prize for Hindi learning etc. Targets are fixed to impart training to the officials in the fields of Hindi Language, Hindi Typing, Hindi Stenography as well as Hindi translations . An annual Programme is also prepared by the Department of Official Language and annual targets are fixed for Hindi Correspondence, Hindi noting, Hindi training etc. The annual budget for this purpose is Rs.48.94 crore. A detailed statement is at Annexure 'I'.

(d) Yes Madam, Efforts are being made by the Department of Science and Technology to ensure better utilization of the Official Language. Science communication & popularization programmes are being organized throughout the country in Hindi as well as regional languages. Radio serials through AIR are developed, produced & broadcasted in Hindi. Books titled "Bharat mei Samudri Bhu Vigyan ka Itihas" and "Sab tak pahuchana hai" and Hindi journal like "Vigyan Pragati", "Aavishkar" and "Dream 2047" have helped in bringing knowledge and updates regarding scientific happening throughout the world to Hindi speaking people.

I. Award Schemes

- a. Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar Yojana – under this scheme every year shields are awarded to various Ministries, Departments, Boards/Institutions, Autonomous Bodies etc. Nationalized Banks, Public Sector Undertakings and Town Official Language Implementation Committees for their outstanding achievements in promoting the Official Language Policy of the Government.**
- b. Rajbhasha Gaurav Puraskar Yojana – Rajbhasha Gaurav Puraskar is given to Citizens of India for writing original book in Hindi on knowledge and science based subjects. Rajbhasha Gaurav Puraskar is also awarded to Central Government Employees (including retired one) for writing original book and writing excellent article in Hindi.**
- c. Rajbahsha Regional Awards - Under the Rajbhasha Regional Award Scheme every year shields are awarded to various Central Government Offices, subordinate offices of Nationalized Banks, Public Sector Undertakings and Town Official Language Implementation Committees for their outstanding achievements in promoting the Official Language Policy of the Government**

II. Encouragement / Incentive Schemes

- a. Increment in Personnel Pay - With a view to encouraging central govt.**

officers/employees an incentive/Personal pay equivalent to one increment for 12 months is given on Hindi Language, Hindi Typewriting and Hindi Stenography

b. Incentive for Stenographer & Typist for doing Official Work in Hindi

c. Incentive for doing Noting/Drafting originally in Hindi

III. Cash Prize Schemes

a. Prabodh, Praveen & Pragya

b. Hindi Word Processing

c. Hindi Stenography

IV.Training Schemes

a. Central Hindi Training Institute – impart training of Hindi language, Hindi typing & stenography to the employees of Central Government. The targets of CHTI for the year of 2017-18 are as follows:

i. Hindi Language – 38750 Trainees

ii. Hindi Typing – 4740 Trainees

iii. Hindi Stenography – 930 Trainees

iv. Hindi Workshops – 15 Programmes and 450 Employees

Other short term trainings – 7 Programmes

**BUDGET PROVISION FOR VARIOUS SCHEMES
OF THE DEPARTMENT OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE**

S.No	Name of the Scheme/Sub-Scheme	Financial Outlay RE 2017-18	Total Programme for the Financial Year 2017-18	Expenditure as on 31.1.2018
1	2	3	4	5
1	(i) Training Programmes to work on Computers in Hindi (ii) Technical Seminar	0.50	(i) 100 Programmes (ii) 4 Technical Seminar	0.41
2	Remuneration to Official (Part time instructors / Staff on our part-time training centres are paid remuneration / honorarium from this schemes (03.06.50)	0.06	During this Financial year 20 part time centres are expected to run and 80 staff are expected to be paid.	0.04
3	Central Hindi Training Institute (Under this Scheme the employees of Central Govt. or undertakings etc. are given training in Hindi Language. Hindi Type Writing and Hindi Stenography)	10.84	During this Financial Year 6700 employees in Hindi Language 1630 in Hindi Type Writing and 210 in Hindi Stenography will be trained.	8.63
4	Crash Programme for Translation Training (03.11)	0.37	8 Programmes for 120 Trainees	0.18
5	Organizing sessions/conferences/exhibitions on computer	0.15	Organizing 4 Conferences	0.57
6	Development of Hindi Software (03.01.50)	2.40	Development of LILA and E-Maha-Shabdkosh Software Application on Mobile	0.27
7	Rajbhasha Kirti/Gaurav Puraskar Yojana and Hindi Divas (03.09.50)	0.18	Organize Hindi Divas	0.15
8	Printing & Publication of Advertising Material (03.07.26)	0.30	Printing of Calendar, Diaries. Short Film, Audio/Video recording of messages of dignitaries, selection of brand ambassador, etc.	0.11
9	Regional Implementation Office, Delhi (03.02)	5.41	Implement the Rajbhasha Policy through 8 Regional Implementation Offices in India.	4.01
10	Expenditure on Town Official Language Implementation Committee (03.03.50)	0.16	Reimbursement of Expenses of meetings	0.05
11	Teaching Hindi to Central Government Employees (Under this Scheme the employees of Central Govt. or its undertakings etc. are given training in Hindi Language. Hindi Type Writing and Hindi Stenography)	28.57	Trained Central Government employees in Hindi Language, Hindi Type Writing and Hindi Stenography by the Central Hindi Training Institute, New Delhi.	25.05
	Total	48.94		39.47