GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1915

TO BE ANSWERED ON: 07.03.2018

PROMOTION OF VERNACULAR LANGUAGE ON THE INTERNET

1915 SHRI NALIN KUMAR KATEEL: SHRI D.K. SURESH:

Will the Minister of ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken note of the fact that there is a need to encourage the use of vernacular languages in the Internet extensively;
- (b) if so, the details there of and the reaction of the Government there to;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to take steps to make such languages available for more internet users, and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has issued any instructions to the Government departments and internet service providers in this regard and if so, the details thereof

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI K.J. ALPHONS)

- (a) and (b); Yes Sir, through Technology Development for Indian Languages (TDIL) programme and National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI), Government is encouraging use of vernacular languages in the Internet.
- (c): Yes, Sir.

Technical solutions for use of Internet in 22 constitutionally recognized local languages have been made available in public domain i.e. http://www.ildc.in for Internet users who desires to use internet in local languages.

(d): Advisories have been issued from time to time about the technical solutions available for use of internet in local languages.
