

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY**

LOK SABHA

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.440
TO BE ANSWERED ON 5th FEBRUARY 2018**

Tamil as Medium in JEE-2018.

440. DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS:

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

- (a) whether the Government is aware that in the Joint Entrance Examination (Main)-2018 notifications, the choice of medium of question papers are in Gujarati along with English and Hindi for the examination centers only in the cities of Gujarat, Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government is aware that it violates the principle of equality and causes great injustice to students from other language mediums appearing for the same JEE (Main) exams and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is having any plans to provide all the national languages as the choice of medium of question papers for the said Examinations 2018 and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government is having any plans to provide Tamil as the choice of medium of question papers for the said JEE (Main) Examinations-2018 and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI UPENDRA KUSHWAHA)

- (a): Yes Madam. The candidates appearing in JEE (Main) 2018 at the examination centres in the state of Gujarat and UTs of Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli have the option to select the medium of question

papers in English, Hindi and Gujarati. This option was made available to the candidates since JEE (Main) 2013.

(b): There is no violation. The extent provision are enforce since 14.08.2012 which also provided that in case any state opts to admit students in the Engineering Colleges affiliated to State Universities where states requires separate merit list to be provided based on the relative weightages adopted by the State then the merit list shall be prepared with relative weightages as may be indicated by the States. The examinations will be conducted in the regional language of the state on the express request of the state.

(c) & (d): The preparations for JEE(Main) 2018 have almost been done, so, it will not be feasible to provide the question paper to the candidates in all the languages as the examination is scheduled to be held on 08.04.2018.
