

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1398
TO BE ANSWERED ON 01.07.2019**

Promotion of Classical Language

1398. SHRI BALASHOWRY VALLABHANENI :

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

- a) Whether the Government is considering to develop Indian languages as well as classical languages;**
- b) if so, the details thereof;**
- c) the efforts being made by the Government to develop/promote/expand each of the Classical Language, language-wise including Telugu; and**
- d) the funds allocated, sanctioned, released and utilized for promotion of Telugu Classical Language so far?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

(SHRI RAMESH POKHRIYAL 'NISHANK')

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. The policy of the Government is to promote all Indian Languages including Classical Languages. Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL) works for the promotion of all Indian languages including classical languages and there are separate Institutions for development and promotion of Hindi, Urdu, Sindhi and Sanskrit languages.

(c) & (d): CIIL works for promotion of four classical languages viz. Kannada, Telugu, Malayalam and Odia. There is a separate institute namely Central Institute of Classical Tamil (CICT) which works for the development and promotion of Classical Tamil. The Government of India is promoting the Sanskrit Language through three Deemed Universities

viz. Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (RSKS), New Delhi, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeetha, New Delhi and Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidyapeeth, Tirupati.

The details of funds provided for Classical Telugu through CIIL is given below.

(Rupees in lakh)

Year	Funds allocated/ Sanctioned/ released	Funds utilised
2015-16	100.00	19.47
2016-17	100.00	4.70
2017-18	100.00	0
2018-19	99.00	28.91
2019-20	107.00	11.41

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