PROMOTION OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government during the last five years to promote the official language;

(b) the details of amount spent on the promotion of official language during the said period, year-wise, Ministry-wise and State-wise;

(c) whether the Government is contemplating to distribute prize at district level to promote official language in the districts;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the intention of the Government in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a): Following steps have been taken by the Department of Official Language to promote Official Language Hindi and its development in official work :-

i. Training for Language/Translation/Computer was given to approximately 1,73,900 personnel of various Ministries/Departments and government institutions.

ii. Technical tools-LILA Mobile App, LILA Prarvah and Kanthastha were developed and implemented.
iii. For promotion/monitoring of the Official Language Hindi, the work of Kendriya Hindi Samiti, Hindi Salahkar Samities, Committee of Parliament on Official Language, Town Official Language Implementation Committees and eight Regional Implementation Offices of Department of Official Language has been facilitated.

iv. Various incentives/award schemes have been implemented for the offices/employees of the Government of India.

(b) To promote Hindi, the Ministry/Department incur expenditure from their budget as per their own discretion. The expenditure incurred by the Department of Official Language in the last five years is as follows:

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(c) to (e) No, Sir.

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