

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF CULTURE**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1953  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.03.2023**

**Proposal to make Marathi Language as Classical Language**

1953. SHRI SHRINIWAS PATIL:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the proposal to make Marathi language as a classical language has been with the Language Expert Committee since 2014;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and time by which it is likely to be considered;
- (c) the number of meetings of this committee held since 2014; and
- (d) the details of work done by the Language Expert Committee since 2014?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF CULTURE, TOURISM & DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION

(G. KISHAN REDDY)

- (a) to (d) Since 2014, four meetings of the Linguistic Experts' Committee have taken place wherein the proposal for grant of Classical Language status to Marathi was deliberated. The Linguistic Expert's Committee is being reconstituted to fill in vacancies that have arisen due to death of members and other reasons.

\*\*\*