

**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution**  
**Department of Consumer Affairs**

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2785**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2021**

**STANDARDS DEVELOPING ORGANISATION**

2785. SHRI KURUVA GORANTLA MADHAV: SHRI P.V. MIDHUN REDDY:  
SHRI N. REDDEPPA:

**Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्री be pleased to state:**

- (a) the number of proposals for declaration of Standards Developing Organisation under One Nation One Standard Mission of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS);
- (b) whether the Government is contemplating to define standard development activities;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government plans to undertake assessment for identification and categorisation of such activities to attain One National Standard for One Subject and if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

**उपभोक्ता मामले, खाद्य और सार्वजनिक वितरण राज्य मंत्री**  
**(श्री अश्विनी कुमार चौबे)**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE**  
**CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION**  
**(SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY)**

(a) : A number of government organizations have applied to Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) for recognition under the BIS scheme of Standards Development Organizations (SDOs). The Research Design and Standards Organization (RDSO), Ministry of Railways, has been granted the first recognition under the Scheme for Recognition of SDOs in the country.

(b) to (d) : At present, there are a number of domain specific Standards Developing Organizations(SDOs) in the country that develop standards in their respective areas. With increasing convergence of technologies, there is also a need for better coordination of work among all standardization bodies in the country working in different sectors.

As per BIS Act, 2016, BIS may recognize or accredit any institution in India or outside which is engaged in standardization. As the National Standards Body, it is the responsibility of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), to ensure that there is synergy in the standardization work taking place in the country and that there is no overlap or duplication of the work carried out by other Standards Developing Bodies.

With the objective of ensuring one national standard for one subject in the country, BIS has launched a scheme for recognition of SDO's as the umbrella organization for steering India's standardization efforts, by recognizing these bodies and wherever necessary, recognizing the standards developed by these bodies as Indian Standards.

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