## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

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# UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 4366 (TO BE ANSWERED ON 29.03.2022)

### **RENEWAL OF MAGAZINES AND NEWSPAPERS**

4366. SHRI KANAKMAL KATARA:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for taking so many years for renewal of the magazines and newspapers;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set a time limit for the renewal work;
- (c) the reasons for delaying the renewal of the Banavasi Anchal Patrika despite the continued efforts made in this regard; and
- (d) the detail of the guidelines issued so that no problem is faced for renewal in future?

### **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING; AND MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI ANURAG SINGH THAKUR)

- (a) & (b): The office of Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) receives a large number of applications for title verification, registration, revised registration etc. of newspapers. While the endeavour of RNI is to expeditiously decide on the applications, delay on part of publishers in replying to the deficiency letters issued by RNI at times leads to delay in the process. Publishers are issued revised registration certificate at the earliest once complete and correct documents are received.
- (c) As per records of RNI, revised registration certificate for 'VANWASI ANCHAL SE' was issued on 24.12.2021.
- (d) Detailed procedure/guidelines, document checklist, proforma for revised registration is available on RNI website www.rni.nic.in