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DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION & LITERACY
LOK SABHA
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Requirement of Regional Language Teachers

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Will the Minister of EDUCATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any assessment to find out the number of Regional Language Teachers required for implementation of Regional Language based Education Policy for school children under the NEP 2020 in various States particularly in Maharashtra; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the number of Regional Language Teachers working at present, State-wise?

A N S W E R

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
(SHRI JAYANT CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, inter-alia, provides that wherever possible, the medium of instruction until at least Grade 5, but preferably till Grade 8 and beyond, is to be the home language/mother tongue/local language/regional language. For this purpose, NEP 2020 suggests that States, especially States from different regions of India, may enter into bilateral agreements to hire teachers in large numbers from each other, to satisfy the three-language formula, as recommended in NEP 2020, in their respective States, and also to encourage the study of Indian languages across the country.

Education is a subject in the Concurrent List of the Constitution and an overwhelming majority of schools are under the administrative control of respective State and Union Territory Governments. The onus of recruitment of teachers through a comprehensive technology based planning and forecasting exercise lies on the respective State Government/Union Territory administration.

The details of state-wise strength of regional teachers in government, government-aided and un-aided schools are available at https://www.education.gov.in/parl_ques.
