# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF CULTURE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3425 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.12.2024 MAITHILI AND MAGADHI LANGUAGES

### 3425. SHRI VIVEK THAKUR:

Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any proposal to declare Maithili and Magadhi languages as classical languages lying pending with or under consideration before the Government; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

## MINISTER OF CULTURE AND TOURISM

#### (GAJENDRA SINGH SHEKHAWAT)

(a) & (b): There is no proposal currently under consideration to declare Maithili and Magadhi as classical languages. As per the procedure established for declaring a language as a Classical Language, a detailed proposal with recommendations from respective State Government is required which is placed before the linguistic expert committee to assess the eligibility.

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