GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1136 TO BE ANSWERED ON 29TH APRIL 2016/9TH VAISAKHA SAKA,1938

MAITHILI LANGUAGE ON CURRENCY NOTE

1136. SHRI NITYANAND RAI:

QUESTION

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 'Maithili language is not being used on the Indian currency notes;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the time by which 'Maithili' language is likely to appear on Indian currency notes?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY FOR FINANCE (SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

(a) to (c): Currency, Maithili is not incorporated in the Indian currency notes. Demands have been raised from time to time to incorporate all the languages included in the Eighth Schedule but Government is of the view that inclusion of all the languages in the Banknote may not be possible as it would require expanding the space used by the language panel thereby cluttering the design and leaving less space for security features.
