

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 1837
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2002
COMPLIANCE OF ORDERS UNDER OFFICIAL LANGUAGE ACT

1837. SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether Department of Official Language prescribes check-points for the compliance of orders issued under Official Language Act;
- (b) if so, whether the offices notified under Rule 10(4) of Official Languages Act perform their official work under the provision of above mentioned rule; and
- (c) if not, the details of the concrete steps proposed to be taken by Government in this regard to ensure the compliance of the abovesaid rule?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(SHRI I.D.SWAMI)

- (a): As per order, it is the responsibility of the Administrative head of each Govt. office to ensure the implementation of the Official Language Act, Provisions of Official Language Rules and instructions relating to Official Language policy and lay down appropriate and effective check points for the purpose.
- (b): Under the Official Language Rule 10(4), Govt. offices, where 80 percent or more employees have acquired working knowledge of Hindi are notified. In accordance with the Official Language policy, the employees of the notified offices, under the said rule are free to do their official work either in Hindi or in English.
- (c): Question does not arise.