

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 2519
TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.08.2000
STEP MOTHERLY TREATMENT TO HINDI .

2519. SHRI JANESWAR MISRA

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

(a) whether it is a fact that official language Hindi has not been given the status of official language even after fifty years of independence;

(b) whether it is also a fact that at present most of the work/correspondence of the Central Government are carried out in English; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that step-motherly treatment is meted out to the Officers, Editors and Translators looking after the work of Hindi in various Government/autonomous institutions?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

(I.D. SWAMI)

(a)&(b): Hindi is the Official Language of the Union. Parliament has passed a resolution in December, 1967 directing the Centre Government to prepare a 'Annual Programme' every year and send it to all Ministries etc. for implementation and to place a 'Annual Assessment Report' on the table of both the house of Parliament. This is being completely implemented. Last 'Annual Assessment Report' has been laid on the table of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha on 6.12.1999 and 8.12.1999 respectively, copies of which are also available in Parliament Library.

(c): Employees connected with Hindi are equivalent to other employees and no discrimination can be done with them.