

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.