GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DEPARTMENT OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE)

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. †2515

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 4TH DECEMBER, 2007/AGRAHAYANA 13, 1929 (SAKA)

IMPLEMENTATION OF OFFICIAL HINDI LANGUAGE

†2515. SHRI BHUBNESHWAR PRASAD MEHTA:

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

- (a) whether the official language, Hindi is not being implemented properly;
- (b) if so, whether any policy has been formulated to fix penalty/responsibility on defaulting officers for non compliance of official language Hindi; and
- (c) if so, the details alongwith the steps taken by the Government for proper implementation of Hindi as the official language?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MANIKRAO H. GAVIT)

- (a): No, Sir. As per the reports/returns obtained from the various Ministries/Departments, efforts for implementing the official language Hindi are being made by all central government Ministries, Departments, offices etc. including Department of Official Language.
- (b): Question does not arise.
- (c): The Official Language policy of the Union related to Hindi, is to be implemented in the offices etc. of the Central Government through inspiration, encouragement and goodwill. Accordingly, various efforts are being made by this department and central government offices, Public Sector Undertakings etc. Main programmes/schemes are given as under:-
 - (i) To constitute Hindi Advisory Committees under the chairmanship of concerned Minister to keep watch on the compliance of Official Laguage Act, Rules and Orders.
 - (ii) To conduct the meetings, workshops, seminars and conferences etc. relating to Hindi.
 - (iii) To monitor the work done in Hindi by the central government offices etc. through the Regional Implementation Offices under the Department of Official Language, located in 8 main cities in the country.

- (iv) To impart training of Hindi Language /Short Hand/Typing and Translation to the Central Government personnel.
- (v) To work in Hindi with the help of computers, to develop softwares for training and make them available free of cost on world wide web.
- (vi) To conduct official language inspections of the Central Government offices and to implement various encouragement and award schemes.
- (vii) Free distribution of publication and propaganda material.
