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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2941 TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 22nd AUGUST, 2006/SRAVANA 31, 1928 (SAKA)

COMMISSION ON OFFICIAL LANGUAGE

2941. SHRI B. VINOD KUMAR:

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

- (a) whether the Government has set up a commission to examine the issues involving declaration of any language as an official languages;
- (b) if so, whether the Commission has submitted its report;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the time by which such report is likely to be submitted? **ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

- (a): Government had set up a Committee under the Chairmanship of Shri Sitakant Mahapatra to consider, inter-alia, the demand for declaring languages included in the eighth schedule to the Constitution as Official Language.
- (b): The committee has since submitted its report.
- (c): The Committee has submitted its report to the Government in June, 2004.
- (d): Keeping in view the reply to part (b) above, question does not arise.
