

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Request to change the Sanskrit word 'Divyang' into English word 'physically challenged', or to include all the Scheduled Language in the Railway portal.

**DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR S. (DHARMAPURI):** Vanakkam, hon. Chairperson, Sir.

In the IRCTC booking portal, under the dropdown list, a word called 'Divyang' is mentioned instead of the word 'physically challenged'. It is a Sanskrit word and factually, only 14,000 people speak the Sanskrit language. Is it right on the part of the Government to use the Sanskrit language which only a few people know?

Hence, through you, I request the hon. Railway Minister to direct the railway officials to change the Sanskrit word 'Divyang' into English word 'physically challenged', or to include all the Scheduled Languages in the Railway portal. Thank you, Sir.