

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
LOK SABHA**

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SOFTWARE IN INDIAN LANGUAGES

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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

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- (a) whether the Government has distributed softwares of different Indian languages free of cost in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the number of beneficiaries; and
- (c) the scheme of the Government with regard to maximum distribution of these softwares?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a): Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Department of IT has distributed tools on CD-ROM for Tamil, Hindi and Telugu languages.

(b): The number of CDs distributed on demand are as under:

(i) (ii) (iii)

Tamil Hindi Telugu  
78027 40108 13628

(c): CDs containing fonts and software tools are distributed on request free of charge. In addition fonts & software tools can also be downloaded free from the website: <http://ildc.gov.in>.