

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2706
ANSWERED ON:21.08.2006
FACILITIES TO REGISTERED NEWSPAPERS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of registered newspapers in the country alongwith their language break-ups;
- (b) the number of languages and journalists accredited with Press Information Bureau (PIB) in print and electronics media, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government proposes any financial support to tiny and small newspapers/periodicals which are registered with Registrar of Newspapers for India (RNI) but have no accreditation from PIB and Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) empanelment; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. R. DASMUNSI)

- (a) As per Annexure - I.
(b) As per Annexure - II.
(c) No, Sir.
(d) Does not arise.

ANNEXURE -I REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2706 FOR REPLY ON 21.8.2006.

Total Number of Registered newspapers as on 11.08.2006(Language-wise)

Language No. of registered newspapers

Assamese	270
Bengali	3061
Bilingual	4083
English	9222
Gujarati	2749
Hindi	25170
Kannada	2343
Kashmiri	1
Konkani	13
Malayalam	1741
Manipuri	53
Marathi	3589
Multilingual	718
Nepali	85
Oriya	916
Others	414
Punjabi	1033
Sanskrit	62
Sindhi	119
Tamil	2600
Telugu	1846
Urdu	3141
Total	63229

ANNEXURE -II REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF PART (b) OF THE LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2706 FOR REPLY ON 21.8.2006.

Language and State-wise details of journalists (correspondents and cameraman) accredited with Press Information Bureau

State No. of Journalists accredited (language-wise)
Print Media Electronic Media Total

Assam English -1 - 6
Assamese-5

Andra Pradesh Telugu-13 Telugu-7 26
Hindi-3
Urdu-2
English-1

Bihar Hindi-2 2

Delhi Hindi-128 English/Hindi-197 975
English-319 Punjabi-3
Urdu-21
Bengali-1
Punjabi-1
Freelance-305

West Bengal Bengali-13 32
English-17
Hindi-2

UP Hindi-25 25

Kerala Malayalam-22 Malayalam-4 26

Orissa Oriya-6 6

M.P. Hindi-23 23

Tripura Bengali-2 2

Karnataka English-10 14
Kannada-3
Urdu-1

Tamil Nadu Tamil-4 Tamil-3 41
English-34

Maharashtra English-5 17
Gujarati-1
Marathi-9
Hindi-2

Jharkhand Urdu-1 1

Meghalaya English-1 1

Chandigarh English-11 12

Hindi-1

Punjab Punjabi-2 2

Gujarat Gujarati-7 9
Hindi-2

H.P. Hindi-1 1

Uttaranchal Hindi-1 1

Rajasthan Hindi-8 8

J&K English-2 3
Urdu-1

Total 1233