

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3879
ANSWERED ON:19.12.2006
URDU LANGUAGE IN EIGHTH SCHEDULE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether Urdu is only a regional language as mentioned in the eighth schedule of the Constitution ;
- (b) If so, the details thereof ;
- (c) Whether the Government proposes to remove Urdu as a regional language and introduce it as a second language in the centre for all India level; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof ?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) : There is no mention about regional language in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution.

(c)&(d) : No such proposal is under consideration of the Government.