

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT  
LOK SABHA**

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PROMOTION OF URDU LANGUAGE  
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**Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to promote Urdu language;
- (b) if so, whether the Government has drawn up any scheme for promotion thereof; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. D. PURANDESWARI)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir.

(c): The Government has established National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL) in 1996, as an autonomous body under the Ministry of Human Resource Development with the objective to promote, develop and propagate the Urdu Language. The main schemes for promotion of Urdu language by NCPUL are as under:

- # Computer Applications and Multilingual DTP Centre.
- # Calligraphy and Graphic Design Training Centres.
- # Diploma Courses in Urdu Language.
- # Publications of Books, Magazines, Journals.
- # Books Promotion and Exhibition.
- # Grants-in-aid for bulk purchase of books, publications of manuscript, hold conferences,
- # Urdu Press Promotion.
- # Functional Arabic Course and grant for bulk purchase.

Three Centres under the Central institute of Indian Languages, Mysore have been set up at the request of the concerned State Governments at Solan, Lucknow and Patiaia KO promote Urdu Language learning.