## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HOME AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3079 ANSWERED ON:08.12.2009 POPULARISATION OF HINDI LANGUAGE Mishra Shri Mahabal :Rawat Shri Ashok Kumar

## Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the provisions relating to the use of Hindi language in the Official Language Act, 1963 are being complied with by the Ministries/Departments of the Union Government in matters of official correspondence:
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has given instruction to the various Ministries/Departments to constitute Hindi Advisory Committees to encourage/popularise the use of Hindi in the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the names of the Ministries/Departments which have not constituted the said Committee till date; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government to set up such Committee in every Ministry/Department?

## **Answer**

## MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

- (a)& (b): The provisions relating to the use of Hindi language in the Official Language Act, 1963 are being complied with in all the Ministries/Departments of the Union Government. In compliance with the instructions of the Official Language Resolution, 1968 passed by the Parliament for doing the official work of the Union in Hindi, every year an Annual Programme is prepared by the Department of Official Language. Targets are prescribed for different items in this programme. Achievement against these targets are mentioned in the Annual Assessment Report. Last Annual Assessment Report was laid on the table of the Lok Sabha on 21.7.2009.
- (c) to (e): Yes, Madam. The Department of Official Language has issued instructions and guidelines for the constitution of Hindi Advisory Committees. Except the Ministry of Minorities Affairs, Hindi Advisory Committees are in position in all the remaining Ministries/Departments. The Department of Official Language have been writing letters from time to time at different level to all the Ministries/Departments requesting them to constitute/re-constitute Hindi Advisory Committees in their Ministries/Department.