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Title: Need to provide civil service aspirants who opted for regional vernacular language three additional attempts as a one time measure.

SHRI SULTAN AHMED (ULUBERIA): I would like to draw the attention of Government of India to the plight of the civil service aspirants particularly those who appeared with vernacular language between 2011 and 2014 in Civil Services Examination. Till 2010, the exam used to have two papers "one on general studies and the other on an optional subject. This was changed from 2011 onwards, when the UPSC decided to replace the optional subject paper with a paper that tests the aspirants' aptitude.

The syllabus for this paper, protesting aspirants allege deny equal opportunity to the vernacular linguistic group. However, as recommended by the committee, Government of India in 2015 incorporated the decisions in CSE Rules- 2015 that English Language Comprehension Skill Portion from the General Studies Paper-II of Civil Services (Preliminary) Examination will continue to remain excluded.

But aspirants having regional vernaculars who appeared in CSAT during 2011- 2014 are barred to appear in the examination from 2015 onwards due to age bar & exhaustion of number of attempts.

I urge the Government to kindly allow three additional as a relief for the loss suffered by them during 2011- 2014.